

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**The Third Sunday of Easter (B)**

Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	6.30pm	Paul Barulis (Int)
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00am	Anne & Peter Kelly (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Emmanuel Formosa (R.I.P)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Monday after the Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00am	Ona & Family
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Tuesday after the Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00am	David & Edel Donagh
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Wednesday after the Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00am	Assumpta Casey & Family
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Thursday after the Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9:00am	Avil (R.I.P)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Friday after the Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00am	Departed souls in Purgatory
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Saturday after the Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00am	People of the Parish

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Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> April – <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>	6.30pm	John Dwyer (R.I.P)
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April – <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00am	John Barry (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Patrick Waters

**Thought for the Week:**

Easter is the feast of the new creation. Jesus is risen and dies no more. He has opened the door to a new life, one that no longer knows illness and death. He has taken mankind up into God himself. "Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God," as Saint Paul says. On the subject of Christ's resurrection and our resurrection, the church writer Tertullian in the third century was bold enough to write: "Rest assured, flesh and blood, through Christ you have gained your place in heaven and in the Kingdom of God." A new dimension has opened up for mankind. Creation has become greater and broader. – **Pope Benedict XVI**



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**13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

During this Eastertide we will be basking in the light of the Paschal Candle and reminding ourselves that Jesus is really and truly risen from the dead, and his victory is something to celebrate and shout about.

Easter isn't a feast that comes and goes, touching us only briefly, rather Easter is the foundational feast of our faith. We go through these days with a sense of wonder and awe at the great mystery we've shared in.

The resurrection of the Lord is the HIGH POINT of all the world's history. We as the Easter People are called upon to bring this good news to the whole world. We'd be failing in our duty if we did not live up to this mission given to us by the Lord.....'Go tell my brothers and sisters!' Each one of us must do all we can as the people of the resurrection to proclaim the mighty joy that this great event brings into the lives and hearts of all people.

We spend the fifty days of Eastertide deepening our own faith and love for Jesus the risen and glorious Lord. Let us pray that we will grow daily more aware of what the resurrection means for us in our lives of faith.

Our Mission this year will help us to deepen and renew the life of Christ within us that we have received in Baptism. This Mission starts on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June until the 14<sup>th</sup> of June. *More details will be given later.*

**God Bless you,  
Canon Maurice**

**Please pray for all who are sick, including:**

Nell Addison, Paul & Eva Au, Michael Balfour, Doreen Banister, William Bradbury, Vincent Brady, Rose Cahill, Marlene Camay, John Carty, Macmillan Chitoma Bras-Goncalves, Sarah Content, Maureen Daly, John Detheridge, Katherine Day, Gerry Dique, Rose Dique, Charlotte Dudenney, Dylan Dunbar, Nancy Donovan, Ann Dunn, Margaret Dumbrill John Finan, Fiona Forder, James Francis, Mary Gallet, Anna Gawlik, Ian Gilling, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Mathew John, Jenny Jones, Julia Joseph, Kathleen Kavanagh, Rev Tom Keighley, Francesca Kelly, Baby Stephen Kelly, Vicky Loik, Mary Lynes, Amaogechi Mbanu, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Gladys McQuaid, Matthew Milnar, John Morrison, Ann Mount, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Ivan Opoku-Agyemang, Baby Teegan Oakley, Dean Partleton, Michelle Pointer, Baby Teddy Rands, Dr Nikhil Rao, Jennie Reddy, Rosetta Reehill, Dorothy Ryan, Fr Francis Coveney, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Elizabeth Smith, Alan Stokes, Julia Stokes, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Julia Thomas, Bernie Whoriskey, Elizabeth Wyles, Jay Spencer, Irene (Evelyn's sister) and Clara Yankey. For those we know and the many we do not know, we pray to the Lord.

**PARISH FINANCES:**

6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> April

**Loose**

£698.47

**Envelopes**

£363.70

**Mother and Toddlers Group:**

Mothers and Toddlers group has now reopened. For more information, please visit <https://stalbanascic.my.canva.site/> We thank Maria, Sarah and all of the staff who support our Mother and Toddlers group.

**Baptism Course:**

The next Baptism course will take place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May in the Parish Hall at 9am. To attend please register with Mr & Mrs Law on 07454 962277.

**Confirmation Programme:**

The next session for the Confirmation programme will be the Rite of Acceptance for Candidates this Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 3pm where they will meet Bishop Alan. The coach will leave at 1.30pm. It is expected that all the candidates will be at the 11am mass and then we gather in the house afterwards before we leave for Brentwood.

**First Holy Communion Programme 23-2024:**

The next meeting for parents and Children will take place this Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm

**Dates for your Diary:**

- **05<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024:** Holy Communion Day at 11am Mass
- **19<sup>th</sup> May 2024:** Confirmation at 3pm
- **26<sup>th</sup> May 2024:** May Procession at 3pm
- **09<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024:** Parish Mission Week (*More details later*)

**Concert in Support of Young volunteers journeying to Lourdes:**

This will take place this Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> of April 2024 in Parish Hall. Tickets will be on sale today onwards £5 each. Please try to support this cause for the young people of the parish.

**Volunteer at the St John Bosco Children's Camp:**

From 27<sup>th</sup> July – 3<sup>rd</sup> August help give 100 children a holiday. Helpers must be 18+, and the Camp will arrange for a DBS check, and appropriate training. To help at the Bosco Camp is a wonderful experience, but there are limited places. Applications open until the end of March. Details: <https://boscocamp.co.uk/volunteer-applications>

**Apprenticeships at Walsingham House:**

Walsingham House are offering a two-year apprenticeship course in Youth Ministry & Chaplaincy, ideal for those finishing Year 13 in July or for anyone up to age 21. Participants will live and work at Walsingham House, running retreats for young people across the diocese whilst studying with St Marys University, Twickenham. For more info, email [clairebailey@brcdt.org](mailto:clairebailey@brcdt.org) or visit the website [www.bcys.net/apprenticeship-opportunity-at-walsingham-house/](http://www.bcys.net/apprenticeship-opportunity-at-walsingham-house/)

**Catholic Women's League – Upminster:**

Welcome you to their weekly lunch every Wednesday at 12 noon. £6 simple meal and fellowship. Details available from Father Joseph.

**R.I.P:**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Alan Stokes, his Requiem Mass will take place on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of April. His remains will be brought into the Church on Sunday evening. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Mary Cogan. Her funeral will take place in St Albans Church on Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of May at 11am. May they rest in peace.

**Youth 2000 London Retreat Day: Come and See.**

Youth 2000 are running a retreat day for young adults (16-35) on 11<sup>th</sup> May at Sacred Heart Parish in Wimbledon. It is jam-packed one day event, where people come together as a community of young adults in prayer and friendship. The retreat is an invitation to come as you are, and to come and see who Jesus is and what He can do in your life. The cost £25 and more information can be found at: <https://www.youth2000.org/events/london2024>

**Diocesan Pilgrimage 2024:**

Join Bishop Alan on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Friday 19 – Friday 26 July). To book, please go online: [Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangney Tours \(tangney-tours.com\)](http://Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangney Tours (tangney-tours.com)) If you wish to discuss any aspect of the pilgrimage, please e-mail Kathryn Young: [kathrynyoung@mail.com](mailto:kathrynyoung@mail.com)

**Right to Life**

On Monday, we celebrated the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord, the day we commemorate when the Lord Jesus took on human flesh and Our Lady said 'Yes' to God. We pray for pregnant women who feel they are facing a difficult decision. We ask that they may be given hope, filled with the love of God, and guided away from a course of despair and onto one of love and acceptance of the gift of life.

**Maranatha Mass**

The next Maranatha Mass celebrated by Fr. Paschal Uche, followed by Prayer and Praise, will be held at Sion Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, CM15 9BX on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm. All welcome.

**Aid to the Church in Need Appeal:**

This weekend we welcome John Ravi who is making an appeal on behalf of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) which is a Pontifical foundation of the Catholic Church. One of its missions is to support Christians who are persecuted for their faith.