

**Mass Intentions for week beginning 23rd September 2017**

Sat 23	25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM)	6.00pm	Thanksgiving (Onyiuke Family)
Sun 24		10.00am	Thanksgiving (Oliver Family)
		12noon	The People of the Parish
Mon 25	Feria	10.00am	Peter Hetherington RIP followed by Novena Prayers
		6.30pm	Annette Hacker RIP (1962 Missal)
Tue 26	SS. Cosmas & Damian, MM.	10.00am	Thanksgiving (Onyiuke Family)
Wed 27	St Vincent of Paul, Pr.	10.00am	For Joshua Mekako (birthday)
Thur 28	St Wenceslas, M.	10.00am	Thanksgiving (Onyiuke Family)
Fri 29	SS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS	10.00am	Bandele Majiyagbe RIP
Sat 30	St Jerome, Pr. & Dr	9.30am	Thanksgiving (Onyiuke Family)
Sat 30	26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	The People of the Parish
Sun 1		10.00am	Leonard Cheshire RIP (100th anniversary of his birth)
		12noon	Tracy McGinley RIP (anniv.)

**Confessions this Saturday 5.30 – 5.45pm**

**Your prayers are asked for the sick and housebound, especially:**

Roland Selvini, Clare Merrins, Maciej Pogorzelski, Margaret McQueen, Paul Westrop, Bernadette Prudence, Kathleen Newell, John Liddard, Jones Bediako-Antwi-Benneh, Leslie Cook, Trevor Barnham, Ann Dunseath, Christopher Johnstone, Josie D'alters, Christina Whiting, Anne Purcell, Ken Stanton, Kathleen Simpson, Pamela Allen, Grace Lobendhan, Marcus Prospert, Eoin Oliver, Bob Edgar, Peggy Gajewski, Victor Francis, Mary Evelyn Piotrowski, Derek Pyner, Gerald Rowe, Mary Brock, Ann Divine, Ann O'Donovan, Anthony Fonseca, Maria McLoughlin, John Phillips, Mick Martin, Adriano Agatiello, Kay Fahy, Tony Baldwin, Paul Doyle, Susan Coker, Daniel Sutton, Tony Morton, Bernadette Thomas, Jane Anne Harvey, the Kitteridge Family, Maximilian Peluso, Patricia Theobalds, Jean Salter, Terry Eales, Norah Kelly, the residents of Sherrell House, Belmont Lodge and Pinewood.

**Mass Attendance last weekend: 373**

**Offertory Collection last weekend: £774.56**

**THE ASSUMPTION, Hainault, is twinned with the Parish of Our Lady of Sorrows, Maria Ratschitz, in the diocese of Dundee, South Africa.**

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**23rd-24th September 2017**

**25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

**(OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM)**

## Our Lady of Walsingham

The story of the Walsingham Shrine begins in Saxon times. In 1061, the Lady of the Manor, Richeldis de Faverches, was taken in spirit to Nazareth, shown the house where the Annunciation took place and asked by Our Lady to build a replica in Norfolk. She was promised that 'Whoever seeks my help there will not go away empty-handed.' The simple wooden house that she built soon became the focus of special devotion to Our Lady. The 'Holy House' was later encased in stone to protect it from the elements. In 1153, the Augustinian Canons founded a Priory to care for the spiritual needs of the pilgrims. Their magnificent Priory Church was added in the fifteenth century. Only the ruin of the Priory arch remains and archaeology has placed the site of the 'Holy House' in its shadow.



Walsingham became one of the foremost shrines of medieval Christendom. Among the pilgrims to the 'Holy House' were many royal visitors. Henry III in 1226, Edward I (eleven times), Edward II in 1315, Edward III in 1361, Richard II in 1383, Edward IV in 1469, Henry VI in 1487 (and many other times) and Henry VIII in 1511, in thanksgiving for the birth of his son, Prince Henry.

In 1340, the Slipper Chapel was built at Houghton St Giles, a mile outside Walsingham. This was the final 'station' chapel on the way to Walsingham. It was here that pilgrims would remove their shoes to walk the final 'Holy Mile' to the Shrine barefoot.

Erasmus, the Dutch scholar, visited Walsingham in 1513 and was impressed by the splendour of the Shrine. He wrote:

*'When you look in you would say it is the abode of saints, so brilliantly does it shine with gems, gold and silver ... Our Lady stands in the dark at the right side of the altar ... a little image, remarkable neither for its size, material or workmanship.'*

This was soon to come to an end. Henry VIII ordered the dissolution of the monasteries and in 1538 the Priory was closed, the 'Holy House' burned to the ground and the statue of Our Lady taken to London to be destroyed.

In 1896 Miss Charlotte Boyd bought the Slipper Chapel, which had seen centuries of secular use. She devoted herself to its restoration. The statue of the Mother and Child was carved at Oberammergau and based on the design of the original statue - a design found on the medieval seal of Walsingham Priory, an imprint of which is in the British Museum.

The first Mass since the Reformation was offered in the Slipper Chapel on 15th August 1934 and a few days later Cardinal Francis Bourne led a pilgrimage of 10,000 people to the Chapel and declared it to be the Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady.

immediately following the 10 o'clock Mass. Donations of prizes for the raffle would be appreciated and a box to collect these gifts will be available at weekend Masses for the coming weeks. Raffle tickets will be on sale shortly. We would be grateful for donations of cakes on the day, either homemade or shop bought. Last year we were grateful for all the lovely cupcakes so lovingly made with help from the children. We were able to send a cheque for £540 to Macmillan Cancer Care last year, which was a magnificent total. Can we achieve that target again this year or even beat it?

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**ST. JOHN'S R.C. SPECIAL NEEDS, SCHOOL & COLLEGE**, Woodford Bridge IG8 8AX. Open Day **Wednesday 4th October 2017** 10am – 12pm. We cater for young people with disabilities between the ages of 5 - 25 yrs., within our School and College. Enquiries 020 8504 1818 [www.stjohnsrcschool.co.uk](http://www.stjohnsrcschool.co.uk)

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**CAFOD - Friday 6th October is Harvest Fast Day**, when we are asked to undertake an act of self-denial in solidarity with the world's poorest people. CAFOD then requests that any money saved as a result is placed in the special envelopes that will be provided at Masses 23/24th September. At Masses on 7th and 8th October the envelope can be placed in the collection basket or in the J&P buckets. The campaign this year centres on work with the poorest subsistence farmers and is based on the words of Blessed Oscar Romero *"We plant the seeds that one day will grow."*

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**First Communion/First Confession Programme 2017-2018**  
**Today (24th September) at 10.00am: Mass of Enrolment**

#### THE ANGELUS

*As is now our custom, the Angelus is said at the beginning of the 6.00pm Mass on Saturdays and the 12noon Mass on Sundays. The text of the prayer can be found in the Parish Mass Books on page 2 (opposite the Table of Contents).*

#### TEA & COFFEE



*are served in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass every Sunday. Please come along, even if only for a few minutes, to meet and chat with your fellow parishioners.*

#### THIS MONDAY:

**10.00am Mass followed by Novena Prayers**  
**6.30pm Mass (1962 Missal)**

**THE LEGION OF MARY meets this Thursday at 7.00pm**

**OF YOUR CHARITY** pray for the repose of the soul of **Canon David Mellor**, a very dear friend of nearly fifty years, who died on Thursday evening after a long illness. Requiescat in Pace! Pray also for his wife Janet at this sad time. *Fr Selvini*

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING 2017** - Everyone is invited to join in the Macmillan Coffee Morning which will be held in the hall on **Sunday 1st October**

**THIS WEEK** we say goodbye to *Fr Thomas Madukkamoottil* who moves to St John the Baptist, Wanstead Park where he will continue to minister to the Syro-Malankara communities in the UK. On your behalf I thank him for his help during our time with us and wish him well in his new ministry. *Fr Selvini*

#### Prayer to Our Lady of Walsingham



O Mary, recall the solemn moment when Jesus, your divine Son, dying on the cross confided us to your maternal care. You are our Mother; we desire ever to remain your devout children. Let us therefore feel the effects of your powerful intercession with Jesus Christ. Make your name again glorious in this place, once renowned throughout our land by your visits, favours and many miracles. Pray, O Holy Mother of God, for the conversion of England, restoration of the sick, consolation for the afflicted, repentance of sinners, peace to the departed. O Blessed Mary,

**Mother of God, Our Lady of Walsingham intercede for us. Amen.**