

Mass Intentions for week beginning 26th November 2016

Sat 26	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	6.00pm	Ronald Taylor RIP / Betty & Billy Kellick RIP (FM)
Sun 27		10.00am	Arthur Edwards RIP (1st anniv.) / Fr Brian Nash RIP (2nd anniv.)
		12noon	The People of the Parish
Mon 28	Advent Feria	10.00am	November List RIP / Peter Hetherington RIP followed by Novena Prayers
		6.30pm	Kevin Rooney (sick) (1962 Missal)
Tue 29	Advent Feria	8.00am	Ken Murray RIP
		10.00am	Simon Newell RIP
Wed 30	ST ANDREW, AP.	10.00am	Eileen & Christy Cremin RIP
Thur 1	Advent Feria	10.00am	Norah Haskett RIP
Fri 2	Advent Feria	10.00am	Carmel Feeney RIP
Sat 3	St Francis Xavier, Pr.	9.30am	Mass
Sat 3	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	6.00pm	Intentions Chuks & Okey Anah
Sun 4		10.00am	The People of the Parish
		12noon	Seamus & Josie Gorman RIP

Confessions this Saturday 5.30 – 5.45pm

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

Roland Selvini, Bandele Majiyagbe, 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, Agnes Warren, Mary Evelyn Piotrowski, Derek Pyner, Gerald Rowe, Mary Brock, Ann Divine, Ann O'Donovan, Anthony Fonseca, Margaret McQueen, Paul Westrop, 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: 393

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Offertory Collection last weekend: £643.15

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26th-27th November 2016

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Reflections for the Holy Year of Mercy (30)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Among the corporal works of mercy, we now consider those of *healing the sick* and *visiting the imprisoned*. Jesus himself is our model in both. He shows us the importance of drawing near to those who so often feel alone and abandoned. How much good is done when we visit the sick and those in prison, and how much we ourselves are enriched by these acts of charity! Visiting the imprisoned is a fruitful way of bringing the Lord's healing presence to those who are paying for their mistakes. Deprived of their freedom, they especially need to hear the message of God's merciful love and forgiveness, and in this way to recognize their worth and dignity. Jesus himself, though innocent, suffered in prison for our sake, and the apostles Peter and Paul used the time of their imprisonment to pray and proclaim the Gospel. By visiting the sick and the imprisoned, may we bring God's mercy and its redemptive power to our brothers and sisters in need.

Franciscus PP.

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

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Special collection at the end of all Masses next weekend.

THE ROSARY is recited *this Saturday* half an hour before the morning Mass.

WALK WITH ME IN ADVENT: available at the back of church – price: £1.00 – money in the papers box, please.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2017: The next session is *NEXT SUNDAY* at St John Vianney, Clayhall, starting at 3.00pm promptly.

HAINAULT CATHOLIC CLUB LTD: *Membership now due: £6. Concessions £2.*

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY presents, '**Come-and-Sing-Messiah**': In the beautiful setting of Brentwood Cathedral and under the baton and leadership of Andrew Wright, you are invited to attend a unique performance of Handel's masterpiece, where a specially formed choir will perform alongside professional soloists and orchestra. **Date:** *Saturday 3rd December 2016 7pm performance* **Venue:** Brentwood Cathedral **Tickets:** £15 per person. For further information or to book tickets please contact: Julie Abbott 01268 784544 / jabbott@bccs.org.uk

CAFOD World Gifts brochures are available in the porch for those who wish to consider alternative Christmas gifts that will really make a difference to those who struggle with daily living. Gifts vary in price and CAFOD would appreciate your support.

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Students interested in applying to Trinity Sixth Form for admission in September 2017 are invited to attend our *Sixth Form Open Evening on Tuesday 6th December 2016* at our Mornington Road site. The school will be open to visitors from 5.00pm so that interested applicants and their

parents can tour the site and talk to staff and current Sixth Form students about courses we plan to offer next year. Advice on Higher Education will also be available. The Headmaster and Director of Sixth Form will speak to all students and parents about the application process in the Ratcliffe Hall at 7.00pm.

SEMINARIANS & ENQUIRERS MASS: The venue for the seminarians and enquirers mass is on *29th December 2016* at 11:00 and will be at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Leigh on Sea. Lunch will be provided and will be in the hall afterwards so if there are any dietary requirements then please let me know. Any enquirers for the Priesthood are encouraged to come along as this will a great opportunity to help them discern their vocation.
Fr Graham Smith, Vocations Director

SICK AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL

If anyone is seriously ill at home or is in hospital, it is most important that a priest be informed so that the sick person may receive the spiritual help of the sacraments. Relatives or friends should inform their parish priest their parish priest and/or the Catholic chaplain of the hospital (*at King George Hospital, 8590 9026; at Queen's Hospital, 01708 477890 (Helen Miranda); at Whipp's Cross Hospital, 8520 5877.*

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

I draw your attention to the *Sick Parishioner Care* forms at the back of church. Please take one if you are going to hospital and wish the Catholic chaplain to look after you!

Fr Selvini

MASS INTENTIONS/OFFERINGS

Special envelopes are available at the back of church. If you would like a Mass offered on a *particular anniversary*, please let the Parish Priest know well in advance – the sooner the better! Thank you for your co-operation.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for the month of December

General Intention: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

Missionary Intention: That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

ADVANCE NOTICE:

NATIVITY PLAY & CAROLS

Presented by the First Communion Children

Sunday 18th December at 3.30pm

Mince-Pies and Mulled Wine afterwards in the Parish Hall
