

Mass Intentions for week beginning 27th February 2016

Sat 5	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE SUNDAY)	6.00pm	Arthur Edwards RIP
Sun 6		10.00am 12noon	Harry Campbell RIP Pro Populo
Mon 7	Lent Feria	8.00am 10.00am	Patrick John Donoghue RIP Mary McNeil RIP (<i>anniv.</i>) followed by Novena Prayers
		6.30pm	The Holy Souls RIP (Weight Family) (<i>1962 Missal</i>)
Tue 8		10.00am	Terry Jago RIP
Wed 9	Lent Feria	10.00am	Thanksgiving (D'Afters)
Thur 10	Lent Feria	10.00am	Special Intention (Prayers answered)
Fri 11	Lent Feria	10.00am	Philomena George RIP
Sat 12	Lent Feria	9.30am	Mass
Sat 12	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (PASSION SUNDAY)	6.00pm	Arthur Edwards RIP
Sun 13		10.00am 12noon	Osmund McMahon RIP (<i>anniv.</i>) The People of the Parish

Confessions this Saturday 5.30 – 5.45pm

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

Roland & Madeleine Selvini, John Liddard, Jones Bediako-Antwi-Benneh, Leslie Cook, Trevor Barnham, Ann Dunseath, Christopher Johnstone, Josie D'afters, Christina Whiting, Anne Purcell, Ken Stanton, Kathleen Simpson, Pamela Allen, Grace Lobendhan, Marcus Prospert, Eoin Oliver, Bob Edgar, Peggy Gajewski, Victor Francis, Sid Parker, Agnes Warren, Mary Evelyn Piotrowski, Derek Pyner, Gerald Rowe, Mary Brock, Ann Divine, Ann O'Donovan, Anthony Fonseca, Margaret McQueen, Paul Westrop, Christine Hall, 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: 361

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Offertory Collection last weekend: £671.76
(CAFOD Lenten Fast Day: £357.00)

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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5th / 6th March 2016

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(LAETARE SUNDAY - HOLY YEAR OF MERCY 2015-2016)

The Holy Father's Lent Message 2016 (Part 4)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

For all of us, then, the season of Lent in this Jubilee Year is a favourable time to overcome our existential alienation by listening to God's word and by practising the works of mercy. In the corporal works of mercy we touch the flesh of Christ in our brothers and sisters who need to be fed, clothed, sheltered, visited; in the spiritual works of mercy – counsel, instruction, forgiveness, admonishment and prayer – we touch more directly our own sinfulness. The corporal and spiritual works of mercy must never be separated. By touching the flesh of the crucified Jesus in the suffering, sinners can receive the gift of realizing that they too are poor and in need. By taking this path, the "proud", the "powerful" and the "wealthy" spoken of in the *Magnificat* can also be embraced and undeservedly loved by the crucified Lord who died and rose for them. This love alone is the answer to that yearning for infinite happiness and love that we think we can satisfy with the idols of knowledge, power and riches. Yet the danger always remains that by a constant refusal to open the doors of their hearts to Christ who knocks on them in the poor, the proud, rich and powerful will end up condemning themselves and plunging into the eternal abyss of solitude which is Hell. The pointed words of Abraham apply to them and to all of us: "They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them" (*Luke 16:29*). Such attentive listening will best prepare us to celebrate the final victory over sin and death of the Bridegroom, now risen, who desires to purify his Betrothed in expectation of his coming.

Let us not waste this season of Lent, so favourable a time for conversion! We ask this through the maternal intercession of the Virgin Mary, who, encountering the greatness of

God's mercy freely bestowed upon her, was the first to acknowledge her lowliness (cf. *Luke* 1:48) and to call herself the Lord's humble servant (cf. *Luke* 1:38).

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 neighbour.

This Monday:

8.00am Mass
10.00am Mass & Novena Prayers
6.30pm Mass (1962 Missal)

This Sunday:

4.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

This Saturday:

9.00am Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

Next Sunday:

4.00pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

HEALING MASS at Abbotswick House of Prayer, Brentwood to be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at 2.30pm on **Wednesday 9th March 2016**. Please call 01277 373959 or visit www.abbotswick.org for more information. All are welcome!

RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN – Tuesday 15th March - 6.45 to 9.00pm at St. Augustine's Barkingside – all welcome.

LONDON MARATHON – Sunday 24th April 2016: Fr Marek Pabis MS (St Cedd's, Goodmayes) is looking for sponsors on behalf of the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. If you would like to help please send a cheque (payable to *Marek Pabis*, marked at the back *London Marathon*) to **The Presbytery, 4, Blythwood Road, Ilford IG3 8SH.**

ST AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, BARKINGSIDE: the Governors are seeking to fill the following vacancies in September 2016 for:

- A motivated and committed full time teacher to join our hard working and dedicated staff team in KS2. Applications from NQTs welcome.
- An experienced teacher to cover PPA for two days per week. Fixed Term contract of 1 year.

Visits to the school are encouraged. Please contact Mrs Brogan in the Infant Office on 020 8554 1919 to make an appointment or request an application pack.

HIT THE ROAD – A Bridge Too Far?: The Champion School's sixth annual fundraising walk for the Teenage Cancer Trust takes place on **Saturday 30th April**. This year's [twenty mile route](#) starts from Trinity Gardens outside Tower Hill station at approx. 10 am. A shorter walk (seven miles) starts at St Thomas' Hospital, opposite the Houses of Parliament, at approx. 1.15 pm. Both distances involve crossing a lot of bridges – perhaps a bridge too far? – and finish at The Ledger Building, Canary Wharf. The entry fee of £15 adults/£10 concessions includes a t-shirt. Entry forms and further information are available on our school website www.thecampionschool.org.uk or from Caroline Meehan at the school on 01708 452332. Please return completed entry forms by 11th April.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY - Prudential Ride London 100 Sunday 31st July 2016: We currently have places for this top UK 100 mile cycling event which starts in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in East London and follows a modified version of the 2012 Olympic route through the Surrey Hills and back into central London to the finish line in the Mall. If you would like to be considered for one of our places, can commit to raising a minimum of £600 (excluding Gift Aid) and are willing to pay a £50 registration fee, please contact Libby on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk

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 and/or the Catholic chaplain of the hospital (*at King George Hospital, 8590 9026; at Queen's Hospital, 01708 447761; at Whipps Cross Hospital, 8520 5877*).

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? May 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.