

**Mass Intentions for week beginning 28th February 2015**

Sat 28	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm	For Beatrice Oghojafor (birthday)
Sun 1/3		10.00am 12noon	The People of the Parish Andrew Jeffries RIP
Mon 2	Lenten Feria	10.00am  6.30pm	Bill Middleton RIP <i>followed by</i> Novena Prayers Perleta Jeffers RIP (1962 Missal)
Tue 3	Lenten Feria	10.00am	Kathleen Canacott RIP
Wed 4	Lenten Feria	10.00am	March Anniversaries RIP
Thur 5	Lenten Feria	10.00am	Connie Liddard RIP
Fri 6	Lenten Feria	10.00am	Intentions of Chris Piotrowski
Sat 7	Lenten Feria	9.30am	Mass
Sat 7	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm	Special Intention (IP)
Sun 8		10.00am 12noon	The People of the Parish Intentions of Hudson Family

**Confessions this Saturday 5.30 – 5.45pm**

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

Roland & Madeleine Selvini, Clare Kavanagh, Jones Bediako-Antwi-Benneh, Pepe Pupin, Leslie Cook, Trevor Barnham, Ann Dunseath, Christopher Johnstone, Josie D’afters, David Schrier, Christina Whiting, Anne Purcell, Ken Stanton, Kathleen Simpson, Pamela Allen, Noel Judge, Grace Lobendhan, Marcus Prospert, Eoin Oliver, Bob Edgar, Mary Holmes, Peggy Wright, Peggy Gajewski, Victor Francis, Sid Parker, Agnes Warren, Mary Evelyn Piotrowski, Derek Pyner, Gerald Rowe, Mary Brock, Ann Divine, Ann O’Donovan, Anthony Fonseca, Lola-Teresa Durojaiye, 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: 346**

**Offertory Collection last weekend: £645.15**

**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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**28th February/ 1st March 2015**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

***The Holy Father’s Lent Message 2015 (Part 1)***

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

***Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each community and every believer.*** Above all it is a “time of grace” (2 *Corinthians* 6:2). God does not ask of us anything that he himself has not first given us. “We love because he first has loved us” (1 *John* 4:19). He is not aloof from us. Each one of us has a place in his heart. He knows us by name, he cares for us and he seeks us out whenever we turn away from him. He is interested in each of us; his love does not allow him to be indifferent to what happens to us. Usually, when we are healthy and comfortable, we forget about others (something God the Father never does): we are unconcerned with their problems, their sufferings and the injustices they endure... Our heart grows cold. As long as I am relatively healthy and comfortable, I don’t think about those less well off. Today, this selfish attitude of indifference has taken on global proportions, to the extent that we can speak of a globalisation of indifference. It is a problem which we, as Christians, need to confront.

When the people of God are converted to his love, they find answers to the questions that history continually raises. One of the most urgent challenges which I would like to address in this Message is precisely the globalisation of indifference.

Indifference to our neighbour and to God also represents a real temptation for us Christians. Each year during Lent we need to hear once more the voice of the prophets who cry out and trouble our conscience.

God is not indifferent to our world; he so loves it that he gave his Son for our salvation. In the Incarnation, in the earthly life, death, and resurrection of the Son of God, the gate between God and man, between heaven and earth, opens once for all. The Church is like the hand holding open this gate, thanks to her proclamation of God’s word, her celebration

of the sacraments and her witness of the faith which works through love (cf. *Galatians* 5:6). But the world tends to withdraw into itself and shut that door through which God comes into the world and the world comes to him. Hence the hand, which is the Church, must never be surprised if it is rejected, crushed and wounded.

*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:***

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

**THE MONTLIGEON PRAYER GROUP** for the Holy Souls in Purgatory meets this Wednesday for Mass at 10.00am, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers for the Holy Souls and Benediction. The meeting will end no later than 11 o'clock.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** this Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASS** this Thursday at 5.00pm in the Parish Hall

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

**FIRST FRIDAYS:** at the recent *International Colloquium* in Rome, the united Confraternities decided to make the First Fridays between now and October special days of prayer and penance for the Church, the Pope, and the forthcoming *Synod on the Family*. May I suggest that, if possible, when you attend mass on First Fridays of the month, you pray for these intentions yourselves. Prayer cards are available at the back of church. *Fr Selvini*

***This Friday***

**10.00am Mass & Eucharistic Adoration  
7.30pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction**

***This Saturday***

**Rosary (Sorrowful Mysteries) at 9.00am**

***The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions  
for the month of March***

**General Intention:** That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person.

**Missionary Intention:** That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always.

**FORTY HOURS DEVOTION** (*Quarant' Ore*) at Saint John Vianney Church, Stoneleigh Road, Clayhall IG5 0JB. From 7.00am on the 7th March to 11.00pm on the 8th March. Beginning with Mass of Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and ending with Benediction.

**QUIZ:** thanks to everyone who supported the Redbridge Alzheimers Café Quiz. A total of £685 was raised. *Sheila Mackay*

**THE WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** will be held at All Saints Church Chigwell Row on *Friday 6th March at 2.00pm*. It is an inter-denominational event and everyone is welcome and that includes Men! The theme is "The Bahamas" and there is a guest speaker. *Christine Barber*

**VOCATIONS EVENING** with Fr Christopher Jamison OSB on *Tuesday 31st March – 7.30 to 10pm – at St Margaret's Canning Town*. Details on the poster in the porch.

**8-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, NEVERS, LISIEUX & PARIS:** from 23rd to 30th May 2015, including all excursions and full board in Lourdes, travelling by luxury coach for £629.

**9-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** following in the footsteps of Christ, from 14th to 22nd October 2015, including all excursions for £1,159, flying from Heathrow. For further information call Mrs Mozzi on 020 8472 0843 or 07859 027301.

**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.