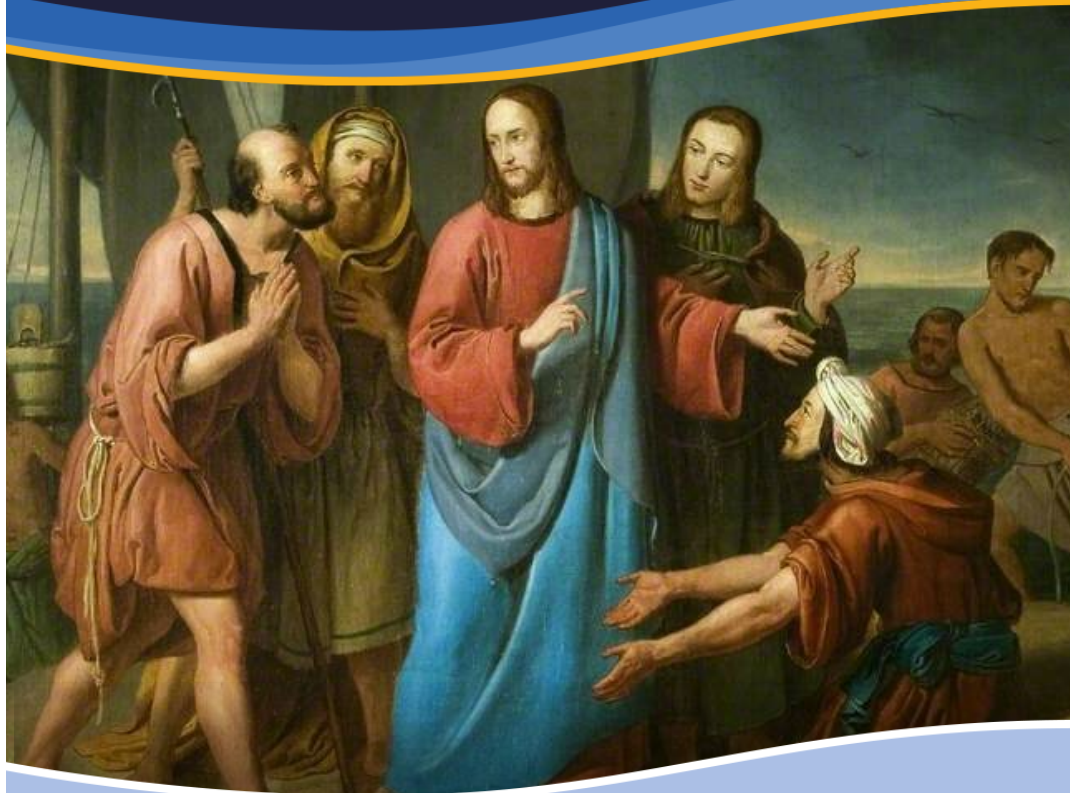




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Baptism of the Lord - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th- 25th January 2026

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GENERAL PARISH NEWS

COVER IMAGE; “While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.”

Matthew 4: 18-20

PAX CHRISTI (the Peace of Christ), Peace Sunday, on 18th January Pax Christi works for

Peace - based on justice. A world where human rights are respected, basic needs are met and people feel safe and valued in their communities.

Reconciliation - a process which begins when people try to mend relationships - between individuals or whole countries after times of violence or dispute.

Nonviolence - a way of living and making choices that respects others, challenges what is not fair or just, and offers alternatives to violence and war.

There will be a second collection after Masses this weekend. For more information go to paxchristi.org.uk

TEA AND COFFEE after 9.30am Sunday Mass will be served weekly. This will be a chance to strengthen further the bonds of friendship by catching up with friends and meeting new people (please make sure to make them feel welcome). Everyone is welcome and there will be games supplied for children.

In order to ensure that we can have tea and coffee every Sunday, please let one of the Team know if you can volunteer to help for a few Sundays across the year. If we have a healthy pool of volunteers we can do this! It's also a great way to get to know other parishioners and play your part in building up our community.

The team organising this are Maria, Sonia, Eugenia and Lucy. Please speak to one of the team or text Maria Fawcett 07813 145668 or Sonia Shrestha 07725 366 920.

THREE MEN will be formally inducted into the Knights of St Columba at the 11.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday 18th January. Please pray for John Kennedy Ugorji, Bobby George and Richard Rodrigues Mendonca and the work of the Knights of St Columba that exists to support the mission of the Catholic Church and at the same time to work for the spiritual, intellectual and material welfare of its members and their families.

PARISH DECEASED Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Salvatore Perna whose Funeral Service will take place on Friday 16th January at 1.30 p.m. with committal at the City of London.

Josephine Norton whose Funeral Mass will take place on Wednesday 21st January at 11.30 a.m. with committal at the City of London.

Eugene Francis whose Funeral Mass will take place on Friday 28th January at 1.00 p.m. with committal at the City of London.

Sr Zila Proctor of the Forest Gate Ursuline Sisters Convent whose Funeral Mass will take place on Friday 30th January at 11.00 a.m.

John Halpenny whose Funeral Mass will take place on Tuesday 3rd February at 10.30 a.m. with committal at the City of London.

PLEASE SUPPORT AOIFE BURKE, one of our altar servers, who is trying to raise money to volunteer with HCPT in Lourdes after Easter. The HCPT (Hosanna House and Children's Pilgrimage Trust) provide a fun and safe holiday for disabled and disadvantaged people from around the UK and further afield. It is a wonderful thing that our parish is being represented by Aoife in Lourdes.

Aoife needs to raise £1050. On Sunday 27th she will make an appeal at all Masses and there will be an extraordinary retiring collection to help get Aoife to Lourdes.

You can also donate online: <http://www.justgiving.com/page/aoife-burke-hcptgroup84>

Any money raised above this sum will be used to help subsidise the costs of the other six young leaders from our Diocese who will be travelling with Aoife.

INSTALLATION OF BISHOP NIALL COLL as Bishop of Raphoe, Donegal, Ireland on Sunday 25th January . Fr Martin will be attending this installation. Fr Liam Hayes has kindly agreed to supply that weekend.

STRONGER TOGETHER IN CHRIST: A NEW YOUNG ADULTS GROUP will begin in the parish this coming February. Centred on Christ, this will be a place where young adults (18 - 40 years) can connect, share their faith, and support one another in their spiritual journeys. The aim is to create a welcoming environment for all, whether you are new to the Catholic faith, rediscovering your faith or looking to deepen your relationship with God.

Together, we can better navigate the challenges and joys of being a young adult Catholic in today's world. In a society that often feels fragmented and disconnected, the group will provide a space for authentic community and spiritual growth. We are stronger together in Christ.

On Sunday 15th February, Nila, one of the members of the group, will explain more about this new group at the end of Masses and invite you to come to the first meeting on Sunday 22 February 3.30 - 4.45 p.m. If you want to show your interest or have any queries, contact her on nilani90_7@hotmail.com

ST.JOHN BOSCO SUMMER CAMP - an amazing volunteer opportunity for this summer. If you are in school year 12 or student age (or any age over 17!) you are very welcome to apply at www.boscocamp.co.uk. The Camp provides over 100 children a week with a summer holiday - for many their only holiday. You will use your skills in assisting with different sporting and fun activities, as well as the practical aspects of camp life. Volunteer for 25th July - 1st August or 1st - 8th August.

WORLD YOUTH DAY (1-8 Aug 2027) will take place in Seoul, South Korea. It is the largest international gathering of young Catholics, with a mix of cultural, faith and social based activities throughout the week. This will be open to all those who have left school by Summer 2027 (anyone currently in school year 13 and above). At the moment, we are just gauging interest and taking registrations online at www.bcys.net/events/wyd27/

WEEKLY EVENING MEDITATION GROUP meet every Thursday in term time from 8:15-9:15 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre. For further information, email Brendan at brendanweakliam@gmail.com

On a Tuesday morning, there is an established weekly mediation group in the parish hall who meet from 10:50-11:50 a.m.

ADULT NEURODIVERSE GROUP meet every Thursday in term time from 7.30-8.30 p.m. in the pastoral centre.

BECOMING BEACONS OF HOPE IN A CRAZY, CONFUSING WORLD presented by Rev Dr Liam Hayes. In a world engulfed by crises and confusion, that sow the seeds of division and despair, let us listen anew to the wisdom and young voices of hope that awaken us to the horizon of another possible world.

New Hall School (CM3 3HS), 7.30 pm, Wednesday 21st January 2026. Refreshments will be served from 7pm. All are welcome.

For more details and to book your place please see the link via our home page www.canonesses.co.uk

GENUFLECTING WHEN WE ENTER THE CHURCH “*At the name of Jesus every knee should bow*” Phillipians 2:10

The return of the tabernacle that houses the reserved Body of Christ to a more visible place is an opportunity to revive the practice of genuflection. This act of bending the knee is an outward bodily sign of our interior attitude; a tangible expression of reverence, worship, and submission before the presence of God.

Genuflection is a declaration of the centrality of God in our lives, the surrender of our will to His divine majesty. Before the Eucharist, our genuflection expresses our faith in His living presence.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE RUNNING, WORK AND MISSION OF THE PARISH by giving using any of the following ways:

- The easiest way to give is by setting up a regular Standing Order: www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com/offerings-and-donations/
 - By scanning the QR code shown here with your smartphone
 - Online DONATE via the Diocesan website www.dioceseofbrentwood.net
 - Using the digital collection plate (DCP) in the main entrance.
- If you are a tax payer, please gift aid your offering:***
www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com/gift-aid/



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WEEKDAY AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 11th January—THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (A)

6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass — Francis, Anne, David & Michael Nolan RIP

9.30 a.m. Mass— Carmen & Paul Callus RIP

11.30 a.m. Mass—Daniela & Lucjan Piotrowscy RIP

5.00p.m. Mass—People of the Parish

Monday 12th January

9.00 a.m. Mass — Pat & Norman Yearly RIP

Tuesday 13th January

NO MORNING MASS

Wednesday 14th January St Agnes

9.00 a.m. Mass —Jean Calixte Pemite RIP

Thursday 15th January

9.00 a.m. Mass —Meghan R David Ints.

Friday 16th January

9.00 a.m. Mass—Eileen Doswell RIP

1.30 p.m. Funeral Service Salvatore Perna

ADORATION 9.30—11.00 a.m. and 7.00- 8.00 p.m.

Saturday 17th January—St Anthony

NO MORNING MASS

9.00-10.00 a.m. RCIA Session

10.45 a.m. Baptism of Henry & Audrey Kerr

CONFESSIONS 5.00—6.00 p.m.

6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass —Marianne Goodchild RIP

**Sunday 18th January—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Peace Sunday**

9.30 a.m. Mass—Joe Cox RIP
11.30 a.m. Mass—Daisy & Eddie Ingram RIP & deceased
family members
5.00p.m. Mass—People of the Parish

Monday 19th January
9.00 a.m. Mass—Leo Machado RIP

Tuesday 20th January
NO MORNING MASS

Wednesday 21st January St Agnes
9.00 a.m. Claire Bell RIP
11.30 a.m. Funeral Mass of Josephine Norton

Thursday 22nd January
9.00.a.m. Mass—Timothy J Murphy RIP

Friday 23rd January
9.00 a.m. Mass—Lynn (Reid) Dupuis RIP
ADORATION 9.30-11.00 a.m. and 7-8.00 p.m.

Saturday 24th January St Frances de Sales
NO MORNING MASS
CONFESSIONS 5.00—6.00 p.m.
6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass —Grace Peace RIP

Sunday 25th January
Third Sunday of “the Word of God” in Ordinary Time (A)

9.30 a.m. Mass—George Margetts RIP
11.30 a.m. Mass—Anna & John McGinley RIP
5.00 p.m. Mass—People of the Parish

