



15th Sunday – 22nd Sunday Year A

12th July—30th August 2026

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GENERAL PARISH NEWS

FR MARTIN ON HOLIDAY While Fr Martin is on holiday during the month of August, two priests have kindly agreed to look after the parish: Fr Robert Erk, a priest of the Archdiocese of Đakovo-Osijek, Croatia and presently doing doctoral studies at the pontifical Oriental Institute in Rome and Fr John Mcgrath, a retired priest of the Diocese of Brentwood.

Fr Martin is most grateful to them for supplying and asks you to make them feel very welcome in our parish community.

THIS NEWSLETTER covers the Summer period from 12th July–30th August 2026

WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS for the period 26th July - 30th August will be displayed on the noticeboards in the entrances to the church.

ANY DEATH NOTICES during the Summer period will be posted on the noticeboards in the entrances to the church.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed from Friday 14th August and will reopen on Monday 24th August. In the case of an emergency, please contact the office by email or phone and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

SECOND COLLECTION “SEA SUNDAY” 12TH JULY, that is, the Day for the Apostolate in the maritime environment. We remember and support the chaplains and volunteers who are doing their utmost for the pastoral care of seamen, including fishermen and their families. <https://www.missiontoseafarers.org/>

ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP SOCIETY) RAFFLE TICKETS will be on sale after Masses on Sunday 18/19 July. This is an opportunity to support the work of the SVP and their care of the poorest and most in need in our parish communities and beyond.

JOURNEY OF FAITH (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) 2026

-27 Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

Have you been worshipping with us, but never taken the step to become Catholic? Are you a baptised Catholic, but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Have you joined us from a different religious background or no religious background and would like to find out more about Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, and His Church?

If you (or someone you know) answers “Yes” to any of these questions, you are invited to find out more through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) or the Journey in Faith.

Just drop Fr Martin an email expressing your interest and he will get in contact with you.

CAFOD-DEC VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL You can help our neighbours affected by the 24 June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives.

Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: cafod.org.uk/Venezuela or call 0300 999 0030 or scan the QR code.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will *not* take place during the month of August. Adoration will resume on Friday 12th September from 9.30-11.00 a.m. and 7.00-8.00 p.m.

Thank you to all who keep the Blessed Sacrament present on the altar and for their time and commitment.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY on Sunday 16th August St Pope John Paul II reminds us:

“Mary is assumed into heaven: small and humble, she is the first to receive the highest glory. She, a human creature, one of us, attains eternity in soul and body. And there she awaits us as a mother waits for her children to come home.”

‘PETER’S PENCE’ SECOND COLLECTION raised the sum of £654.98 - thank you for your generous offering.

THE SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society) would like to invite interested parishioners to attend the yearly Waltham Forest SVP Festival Meeting on Tuesday 28th July in the parish centre of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead from 7.00 -9.00 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Mary Ebassi. Entry is free and refreshments will be provided. Parking will be available.

HOLY COMMUNION FORMATION 2026-27 for children going into Year 4 in September and who are resident in the parish. Year 5+ parish children will be prepared separately.

Registration forms are now available in the church entrances.

Deadline September 13th. Forms will not be accepted after this date.

PLEASE PRAY for the souls of:

- *Madeline (Mavis) Ramsey* whose Funeral Mass will take place on Monday 13th July at 10.30 a.m.
- *Bridget Hughes* whose Funeral Mass will take place on Wednesday 15th July at 10.30 a.m. followed by committal at City of London at 12.00 p.m.
- *Patricia Annesley* whose Funeral Mass will take place on Friday 17th July at 10.30 a.m. followed by committal at City of London at 12.00 p.m.
- *Stephen McKenna* who Memorial Mass will take place on Wednesday 9th September at 12.30 p.m.

Please pray for the soul of Diane Vassiliou who died recently. Her funeral arrangements are to be confirmed.

MARRIAGE IN A RUT? Or need help with deeper issues?

Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find healing in their marriage: www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info

MARCH FOR LIFE on Saturday 5th September

www.marchforlife.co.uk/2026-event-page/ A date for your diary. If you are interested, meet Fr Martin at Wanstead tube station at 11.30 a.m. and travel with him up to Westminster.

MOTHER'S PRAYER GROUP two grandmothers founded Mother's Prayers in England in 1995 after feeling called by the Lord to pray in a special way for their children.

We meet once a month to pray for our children. Meetings take place on the **first Monday of each month** after the 9.00 a.m. Mass. Our first meeting in the parish hall will be on Monday 7th September at 9.30 a.m. The meeting lasts approximately 45 minutes. You are most welcome to join us.

STRONGER TOGETHER IN CHRIST: YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Centred on Christ, this is an informal space where young adults (18 - 35 years), single or married, can connect with other young adult Catholics, in order to deepen their Catholic Faith and support one another in living their faith with pride and joy. The group will meet in Clergy House on **Sunday 27 September at 3.30-4.45 p.m.** Fr Gary Dench, a canon lawyer, will give a talk about *the purpose, development and importance of Canon Law* followed by questions, discussion and refreshments.

All welcome. Just come along

A SCHOOL CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE may be required by parents applying to a Catholic Primary or Secondary schools. If you are a practicing Catholic (that is, coming to Sunday Mass here at Our Lady of Lourdes and known to Fr Martin) please collect a Certificate of Catholic Practice from Fr Martin on **Wednesday 7th October between 5.00 -7.00 p.m. at Clergy House.** Fr Martin will *not* give out certificates at any other time.

PLEASE NOTE that Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School and Trinity Catholic High School do *not* require a Certificate of Catholic Practice. If you are applying to another Catholic school please check whether it requires a Certificate of Practice.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE RUNNING, WORK
AND MISSION OF THE PARISH.**



Contributions to the parish can be made by standing order or bank transfer. If you are a taxpayer, *please* Gift Aid your donations. Go to www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com/offerings-and-donations/ for more information and forms.

You can also give online via the Diocesan website at [www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations?](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations?Parish=wanstead)

Parish=wanstead or by scanning the QR code shown here with your smartphone and selecting “General Offertory.”

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WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9th August—Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass—Hugh Finlay RIP
9.30 a.m. Mass—Des & Carmel Dinan Ints.
11.30 a.m. Mass—Geoff Kite RIP
5.00 p.m. Mass—People of the Parish

Monday 10th August St Lawrence

9.00 a.m. Mass—Irene Herbert Ints.

Tuesday 11th July St Clare NO MASS

Wednesday 12th August

9.00 a.m. Mass—Georgina McGranaghan RIP

Thursday 13th August

9.00 a.m. Mass—Matthew Kemp RIP

Friday 14th August St Maximilian Kolbe

9.00 a.m. Mass—Celia Penney RIP

Saturday 15th August

CONFESSIONS 5.00—6.00 p.m.

6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass—Ellen Hall RIP

Sunday 16th August

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9.30 a.m. Mass—Paul Doherty Ints.
11.30 a.m. Mass—Nigel Davies RIP
5.00 p.m. Mass—People of the Parish

Monday 17th August

9.00 a.m. Mass—Mary Tummuty RIP

Tuesday 18th August

NO MORNING MASS

WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday 19th August

9.00 a.m. Mass—Anton Alagcone Ints.

Thursday 20th August St Bernard

9.00 a.m. Mass—Maureen Brazier Ints.

Friday 21st August St Pius X

9.00 a.m. Mass—Anastasia Soultogianni Ints.

Saturday 22nd August Our Lady, Mother & Queen

CONFESSIONS 5.00–6.00 p.m.

6.30 p.m. Vigil Mass—James Joseph Hurley RIP

Sunday 23rd August

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

9.30 a.m. Mass—Christopher ‘Kit’ Mulvey RIP

11.30 a.m. Mass — Fr Patrick Sammon

5.00 p.m. Mass — People of the Parish

Monday 24th August St Bartholomew

9.00 a.m. Mass—Noreen Ward RIP

Tuesday 25th August

NO MASS

Wednesday 26th August

9.00 a.m. Mass—Marie Alberty RIP

Thursday 27th August St Monica

9.00 a.m. Mass—Tessa Moloney RIP

Friday 28th August St Augustine

9.00 a.m. Mass—Ann Silcock RIP