

Mass Intentions for week beginning 16th January 2016

Sat 16	2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Scanlon & Keville Families RIP
Sun 17		10.00am 12noon	Pro Populo Brendan Molloy RIP
Mon 18	Feria	10.00am	Special Intention (BL) followed by Novena Prayers Mass (1962 Missal)
Tue 19	St Wulstan, Bp	10.00am	Intentions of Peter Piotrowski
Wed 20	SS. Fabian, Pope & Sebastian, MM.	10.00am	Gertrude Mbambo RIP (anniv.)
Thur 21	St Agnes, V.M.	10.00am	Charlie Goggins RIP
Fri 22	St Vincent, Dn & M.	10.00am	Doreen Hughes RIP
Sat 23	Of Our Lady	9.30am	Mass
Sat 23	3RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Josephine Duggan RIP
Sun 24		10.00am 12noon	Pro Populo Remona Armstrong RIP

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'alters, 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.

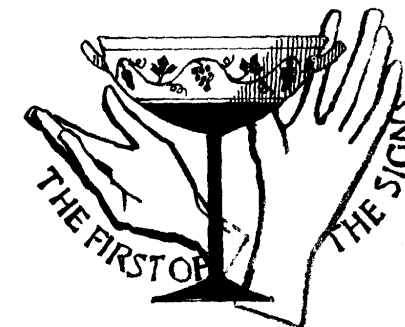
Mass Attendance last weekend: 385

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Offertory Collection last weekend: £742.60
(White Flower Appeal: £207)

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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16th / 17th January 2016

2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

(HOLY YEAR OF MERCY 2015-2016)

On the Wedding at Cana

This Sunday's Gospel recounts the miracle worked by Jesus at the wedding in Cana. It is the first "sign" by which he revealed his glory and instilled faith in his disciples (cf. *John 2: 11*).

In today's Gospel it is Mary, the Mother of Jesus, who pleads for the wondrous change of water into wine. Again it is the Virgin who intercedes for us. This was also true for the transition from the second to the third millennium, when her Immaculate Heart proved a safe refuge for her many children. The Church could thus experience the signs of a renewed springtime, stirred up by the Second Vatican Council with which, "in the broadest sense of the term, the immediate preparations for the Great Jubilee of the Year 2000 were really begun" (*Tertio millennio adveniente*, n. 20).

The Mother of Christ is now repeating to us, the men and women who confidently face the new millennium, her invitation to the servants during the wedding at Cana: "Do whatever he tells you" (*John 2: 5*). With these words, the Virgin apparently wants to encourage us not to be afraid of the limitations and failures that can sometimes mark our experience as individuals, as families and as ecclesial and civil communities. Mary urges us not to be depressed even by sin, which undermines our confidence in ourselves and in others. What matters is that we do whatever Christ tells us, trusting in him: he will never let our ceaseless prayer go unheard.

May Our Lady's invitation, which the Gospel renews today, open us to total abandonment to Jesus. For the Mother's words are echoed by the reassuring words of her divine Son: "Lo, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (*Matthew* 28: 20).

Pope St John Paul II (Angelus, 2001)

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

HAINAULT CATHOLIC CLUB LTD: membership renewals are now due. Full membership £8. Concessions £2.

SINCE 1997 POLISH CAPUCHINS have been building a new church and a monastery for 9,500 Catholics in *Kielce*. *The church is not finished or decorated inside yet*. Must be built the tabernacle, the main altar, two small side altars or the floor. They must finish the place for the choir and build the organ in the church. The monastery has been standing without windows and doors since the autumn of 2014 and they have not done any work due to lack of money. *The monastery has only walls and roof without any internal installations*. To complete the construction of the church and monastery it will cost **£535,000**. They ask you urgently on *Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th January* for any financial support as a second collection because they cannot cope alone with such enormous costs. May God reward your kindness and generosity with his blessing and good health.

Fr Józef Mizera

RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN – Tuesday 26th January - 6.45 to 9pm. at St. Augustine's Barkingside – all welcome.

ST AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - NURSERY APPLICATION: Application forms for children born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013 to attend the Nursery are now available. Children of this age will commence Nursery in September 2016. Closing date for completed applications is 4th March 2016. Please contact Mrs Brogan in the Infant Office on 020 8554 1919 for further details.

MASS at Abbotswick House of Prayer, Brentwood to be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at 2.30pm on *Wednesday 3rd February 2016*. Please call 01277 373959 or visit www.abbotswick.org for more information. All are welcome!

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!

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.

MASS in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes: on *Sunday 7th February* at 3 pm, Bishop Alan will celebrate Mass at Brentwood Cathedral in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes, the Patroness of our diocese and all who are ill. Join the bishop to pray for our diocese, anyone who is ill and if you have a devotion to the shrine of Our Lady at Lourdes. This Mass is a wonderful opportunity to thank Our Lady for graces received at the shrine or should you be planning to make a pilgrimage.

Fr Paul Keane, Director of the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage