Mass Intentions for week beginning 21st January 2017

Sat 21	3rd Sunday of Ordinary	6.00pm	Matthew Jones RIP
Sun 22	Time	10.00am	Carmel Maher RIP
Oun ZZ		12noon	The People of the Parish
Mon 23	Feria	10.00am	Gloria Higgs RIP followed by
			Novena Prayers
		6.30pm	Janet Francis RIP (1962 Missal)
Tue 24	St Francis de Sales, Bp &	10.00am	For Tom Murray & his Family
	Dr		
Wed 25	CONVERSION OF ST ANGELA,	10.00am	For Mike Murray & his Family
	AP.		
Thur 26	SS. Timothy & Titus, Bps	10.00am	Peter Hetherington RIP
Fri 27	St Angela Merici, Rel.	10.00am	For John Murray & his Family
Sat 28	St Thomas Aquinas, Pr. &	9.30am	Gérard Ignasse RIP (anniv.)
	Dr		
Sat 28	4th Sunday of Ordinary	6.00pm	Teresa Jean Hudson RIP
Sun 29	Time	10.00am	Harris Family RIP
Juli 23		12noon	The People of the Parish

Confessions this Saturday 5.30 - 5.45pm

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

Roland Selvini, Clare Merrins, Bandele Majiyagbe, Kathleen Newell, 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, Mary Evelyn Piotrowski, Derek Pyner, Gerald Rowe, Mary Brock, Ann Divine, Ann O'Donovan, Anthony Fonseca, Margaret McQueen, Paul Westrop, 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: 362

Offertory Collection last weekend: £656.71

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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21st-22nd January 2017

3RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Reflections on Christian Hope (2)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our continuing catechesis on Christian hope leads us [in these Christmas days] to consider *the example of Abraham*, who, as Saint Paul tells us, "hoped against hope" in God's promises. Trusting in the Lord's word that a son would be born to him, Abraham left his home for a new land. Although the fulfilment of God's promise was long delayed and seemed to be impossible, Abraham continued to hope. Even his discouragement and complaints were a sign of his continuing trust in God. Abraham, our father in faith, shows us that sure trust in God's word does not mean that we will not have moments of uncertainty, disappointment and bewilderment. It was at such a moment that God appeared to Abraham, called him forth from his tent and showed him the night sky shining with countless stars, assuring him that such would be the number of his descendants. Hope is always directed to the future, to the fulfilment of God's promises. May the example of Abraham teach us not be afraid to go out from our own tents, our limited outlooks, and to lift our eyes to the stars.

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 fellow parishioners.

THIS MONDAY:

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

THE LEGION OF MARY meets this Thursday at 7.00pm

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

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2017: The next session is *THIS SUNDAY* at St John Vianney, Clayhall, starting at 3.00pm promptly.

PANTOMIME 2017 St Augustine's Players present *Beauty and the Beast* on *26th, 27th and 28th January 2017.* Venue Holy Trinity Parish Hall Mossford Green Barkingside IG6 2BX. Start 7.30pm and Matinee on Saturday 28th 2pm start. Tickets £8 (please note £6 children/concession prices only available for Thursday evening and Saturday Matinee). Book tickets online at www.staplayers.webs.com/tickets.htm or 0208 554 7747.

MASS FOR THE SICK: Our Lady of Lourdes is both patroness of our Diocese and the sick. As a Diocese we are invited to join Bishop Alan on *Sunday 5th February* at 3.00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead, to celebrate our annual Lourdes Mass as part of the Diocesan centenary celebrations. During Mass the Sacrament of Anointing will be given to those who are unwell. This Mass is replacing the mass which is usually celebrated at the Cathedral.

THE BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY is looking for a new Director. This charity achieves so much for children and young people and their families across the Brentwood Diocese and the right person will find the role of leading bccs to be most rewarding. This Catholic Charity is based on strong foundations of Catholic Social Teaching that enable us to help children of all faiths and none. If you would like to be considered as the next Director of BCCS please ask the current Director for an Application Pack by emailing Steven at swebb@bccs.org.uk. If you know someone else who might be interested please pass on this message to them. The closing date for applications is Friday 3rd February (noon).

THE BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY is hosting a Charity Quiz Night on *Saturday 25th February* at the Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School. The format for the event will be teams of 8 people at a cost of £7.50 per person, with all funds

raised going to BCCS. The evening will start promptly at 7pm, with a short break halfway through and finish around 10pm; you are invited to bring your own drinks and nibbles. Please contact Julie Abbot—jabbott@bccs.org.uk 01268 784544 / 07912277413 to book your places (all teams must be pre-booked) or to request a Fundraising Quiz Pack for running your own quiz night in your parish for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society.

2017 PILGRIMAGES TO MEDJUGORJE - *Friday 26th May* - *Friday 2nd June* and *Saturday 2nd September* - *Saturday 9th September*. 8 days/7 nights - Departing from Gatwick. £589 Price includes flight, transfers to hotel, half board and full guided programme for the week. All rooms en suite. £130 single supplement. Further details from Gail Hewett on 020 3673 5838/07989 879148.

FROM DR PAUL DOHERTY OBE: On behalf of myself and my children, I would like to thank all members of our community for the cards, condolences and good wishes that we received following the death of our beloved Carla. I was also deeply touched by the very generous donations to our Henrietta Fund at Trinity which caters for families in need. We shall be confirming the final figure in due course. Many of the donations were via the School's online Parentpay whilst I am doing my level best to issue receipts for those who gave cash and cheques. If you did not receive one, please contact my PA Mrs Sally Parry. We received so many cards, emails and letters following the death of Carla, it's virtually impossible to answer each and every one of them. Nevertheless, I have asked for a triduum of Masses to be offered for yourselves and your families. Once again, many thanks.

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 their parish priest and/or the Catholic chaplain of the hospital (at King George Hospital, 8590 9026; at Queen's Hospital, 01708 477890 (Helen Miranda); at Whipps Cross Hospital, 8520 5877.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

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.