

# St Anne Line Catholic Church

**WELCOME** to the weekly newsletter of the Catholic Church of St Anne Line in South Woodford!

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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year C

33<sup>rd</sup> World Day of the Sick

## *Fr Barto's message of the week*

Our human existence is a precious gift from God, and its origin and end belong to Him. Through faith in Christ, we affirm God's control over our lives, recognizing that He invites us to partake in His divine life. God continuously reveals Himself through people, words, and situations, calling each of us to a specific purpose in His plan. Just as He called Abraham, Moses, and Isaiah, He calls us to be His messengers in the world. In today's readings, we see the experiences of Isaiah, Paul, and Peter—each chosen by God despite their imperfections. Isaiah, feeling unworthy, responded to God's call after being purified. Paul, a former persecutor of Christians, became a powerful witness to the risen Christ. Peter, after doubting, was astonished by Jesus' miraculous catch of fish and followed Him, recognizing his unworthiness.

This call is not just personal but also a mission. As disciples, we are called to understand and live out Jesus' teachings, sharing them with others. Jesus invites us to go into the deep waters where we feel we have failed, trusting Him to bring unexpected blessings. Through our own faith, we respond to God's call, acknowledging that we are instruments in His mission, just as Isaiah, Paul, and Peter were.

### **Message of the Holy Father for 33rd World Day of the Sick**

"Hopes does not disappoint" (Rm 5:5) but strengthens us in times of trial

In the 33rd World Day of the Sick, we are called to be "pilgrims of hope." Despite suffering, we are reminded that hope, rooted in God's strength, never disappoints. God remains close to those who suffer in three ways: through encounter, gift, and sharing. Suffering is an opportunity to encounter the Lord, as Jesus shared in our human suffering. Hope, a gift from God, comes from Christ's resurrection and assures us of God's love. Additionally, suffering often leads to mutual enrichment, teaching us faith, love, and hope. This journey, marked by the care and support of others, is a powerful sign of human dignity and hope, uniting us in God's love and light.

The full text can be found:

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/publico/2025/01/27/250127f.html>

*Fr Barto*

### **Mass Intentions 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

#### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am

Maureen Newland RIP

6.30pm

Fr Barto Ints

Sunday Vigil Mass

#### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9.30am

People of the Parish

11am

Joan & Alan Hinkins Ints

12.30pm

Holy Mass in Romanian

#### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Holy Souls**

#### **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Lourdes**

7pm In Thanksgiving

#### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Thomas McGuire RIP

#### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am

Pat & Raich Conington Ints

#### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am

Atal/Singh family Ints

12.15pm

Funeral Mass – Joseph Fahy RIP

#### **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am

Fr Barto Ints

6.30pm

Domenica Pieroni RIP

Sunday Vigil Mass

#### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9.30am

Patricia Echverry RIP

11am

People of the Parish

12.30pm

Holy Mass in Romanian

Exposition of the Blessed Holy Eucharist is at **8.45am** from Wednesday to Saturday. Morning prayer is at **9.10am**. Rosary will be prayed after morning Mass from Wednesday to Saturday.

Confession is after weekday morning Mass (Wednesday to Saturday) on Saturday evening before the 6.30pm Vigil Mass and on Sunday before the Holy Masses. Confessions can be heard in English, Italian, Spanish and Romanian.

#### **RETIRING COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY**

Is for the Lourdes Sick & Helpers Fund to defray expenses for sick pilgrims who otherwise would not be able to make the pilgrimage

#### **REST IN PEACE**

David Jarvis who died recently. Please keep Barbara and the family in your prayers. His funeral will be held here on 25 February at 2pm.

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Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>

9.30am Michael Doyle RIP

## **INTERNATIONAL BRING AND SHARE EVENING – ST ANNE LINE FEAST DAY**

Thank you to all the parishioners who attended the Mass on Saturday, 1 Feb and the celebration after that. It was a wonderful evening. Thank you Tina for organising the event.

## **MASS & VISIT TO TYBURN CONVENT- 27 FEBRUARY**

On Thursday 27 February, the day St Anne Line was executed, there will be Holy Mass at 3pm at the Altar of the Martyr's at Tyburn Convent and then a tour of the crypt. There will be a cup of tea after the tour. Tyburn Convent is 6 minutes walk from Marble Arch tube station.

## **PALM CROSSES**

Please bring in the palm crosses from last year so we may burn them and use them on Ash Wednesday. Please place them in the container at the back of the Church.

## **A WEEK OF ACCOMPANIED PRAYER – see details in porch**

It is an opportunity to take part in a parish-based retreat. Come to the opening session after the 11.30am Mass on Sunday, 9th March at 12.45 p.m. in the Parish Hall at St Thomas of Canterbury.

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

We are looking for volunteers to help with the children's liturgy. Please speak to Fr Barto.

**MARY'S MEALS** – Donate your leftover foreign currency & UK coins/notes no longer legal tender. Donations will help provide nutritious school meals to children living in the poorest countries. Collect an envelope from the porch. Please continue to drop off the envelopes to Fr Barto when you come to Mass.

## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Next session in the hall on **Sunday 9 February** 3pm.

## **SACRED HEART NOVENA**

Next First Friday Novena starts at 8.45am with Confession & Adoration on **7 March 2025**.

## **SATURDAY DEVOTIONS TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

Next First Saturday devotion on **8 March 2025** starts at 5:30pm with Adoration, Confession, the Rosary. Each Sunday, the statue will be passed to a new household. If you would like to welcome Our Lady into your home, please sign up on the list at the back of the Church.

## **LECTIO DIVINA**

We pray Lectio Divina after morning mass each Friday. Come along and find out more.

## **WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE FORMS**

Are available in the porch as you enter for the Sacraments, (FHC & Confirmation) and for nursery, primary & secondary Catholic Schools. Complete one per child and drop the completed form into the box provided as you leave Church.

## **A DAY WITH MARY, see posters in porch for further details**

15 Feb, 8.45-4pm – St Mary, Mother of God, Hornchurch

1 March 9.45am-5pm- Westminster Cathedral

## **MARRIAGE WEEK: 7th-14th February.**

Please pray for couples living the vocation to marriage, those preparing for married life, those who are widowed, and those struggling with difficult situations in their family life. The Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life in Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 21 June - if you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year please let your parish priest know.

## **JUBILEE 2025 - PILGRIMAGE TO ROME 30 AUG – 4 SEPT 2025 (6 DAYS)**

Fr Sabu the parish priest of Our Lady & All Saints, Basildon is arranging a pilgrimage to the Vatican, Rome, Assisi, Padua, Venice & Pisa. Superior 4\* Hotel Accommodation. Adults and children over 9 years: £775; Children (2-9 years): £730. Single room supplement £220. For more details, email: frsabupariyadan@brcdt.org. See itinerary in the porch.

## **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025**

Join Bishop Alan in Lourdes from Friday 18 to Friday 25 July. We can support those with medical needs. For further information, please phone Tangney Tours on 01732 886 666 or book online: Brentwood Lourdes Pilgrimage - Tangney Tours

## **DONATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS**

Please see the list of items needed in the porch.

## **WEBSITE MENU CHANGES**

For details, please visit this link <https://saintanneline.com/website-menu/>

## **PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS**

**Coffee morning** will be on 9 February 2025 after the 9.30am and 11am Masses.

**Afternoon Club** Next meeting on Wednesday 12 February at 2pm in the hall.

**Table tennis**. Friday 3-5pm. Contact Liz on 07403 649306.

Last weekend Mass attendance was 291. Thank you very much for your collection offer

## **Get in touch**

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Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/SaintAnneLine/>

Diocese of Brentwood website:

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/>

## **YEAR OF JUBILEE**

Please see our web resources - 1) Pilgrims of Hope <https://saintanneline.com/year-of-jubilee-pilgrims-of-hope/>; 2) Jubilee Calendar <https://saintanneline.com/jubilee-year-of-prayer-2025/>; 3) The Word - <https://saintanneline.com/parish-bulletins/>

## **YEAR OF JUBILEE APP**

The 'Jubilee25' app can be downloaded to your phones.



## **Please pray for those who are sick**

## **Anniversaries 10 Feb – 16 Feb**

Harry Wakelin, Marjorie Hawkins, William Hamilton, Rachel Valtin-Bennett, Evelyn Canham, Henry Hall, Henry Hunt, Fr Charles Snell, C. Lonergan, Percy Wood, Mrs McGiugan, Mrs Byrne, Nora Finney, Mike Watling, Henry Doyle and Mrs Downey, Daniel De Lary, Mrs M Collins, Ronald Geddes, Robert Llewellyn, Marcus Bernard.

## **PARISH OFFICE (IN THE PRESBYTERY)**

The Parish secretary is in the office on Monday afternoons, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

**Please also check the notice boards in the porch and our parish website for other news and information.**

**For vocations to the priesthood and religious life Pope Francis - click to pray** <https://clicktopray.org/>

**For peace Pope Francis - click to pray** <https://clicktopray.org/>

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