

# 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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## *Message of the week*

### The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Pope Francis 'Dilexit nos (He loved us), written for the Jubilee of Hope, powerfully reaffirms the Church's enduring devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Rooted in centuries of tradition—from the early Church Fathers to the revelations of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque—this devotion centers on the pierced Heart of Christ as the wellspring of divine love and mercy. In Dilexit nos, Pope Francis calls believers to rediscover the Sacred Heart as the heart of the Gospel—a symbol not merely of piety, but of God's burning love for humanity. In an age marked by indifference, wounds, and spiritual fatigue, the Holy Father emphasizes that the Sacred Heart is a source of hope and healing. For this Jubilee year, the message of Dilexit nos invites Christians to embrace reparation, trust in divine mercy, and witness to God's love through acts of charity—making it deeply relevant to the Church and the world today.

### Immaculate heart of Mary

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, though slower to develop than that of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, has grown significantly since the 17th century, especially through the influence of St. John Eudes and later Marian apparitions. St. John Eudes promoted love for the Hearts of Jesus and Mary as symbols of divine love and our call to communion with God. The devotion gained global attention through the Miraculous Medal (1830) and especially the Fatima apparitions in 1917, where Sister Lucia emphasized Mary's Immaculate Heart as central to God's plan for salvation and peace.

Sister Lucia explained that the Immaculate Heart is a model of perfect love for God—free from sin and fully united with Christ. Devotion to Mary's Heart involves consecration and reparation, helping souls grow closer to Jesus through Mary. Though subordinate to the Sacred Heart, the Immaculate Heart serves as a powerful means of union with God and a path to holiness.

### Saint Peter and Saint Paul

June 29 marks the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, two foundational pillars of the Church. Saint Peter, the first pope, was entrusted by Christ to lead His Church, while Saint Paul tirelessly spread the Gospel to the Gentiles. This feast also celebrates the unity and mission of the universal Church and is considered the Day of the Pope and the Vatican.

On this day, Catholics around the world express their love and support for the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence collection. This offering helps the pope carry out works of charity and respond to urgent needs globally, especially among the poor and suffering. It symbolizes solidarity with the pope and his mission of mercy, justice, and evangelization.

*Fr Barto*

## Mass Intentions 28<sup>th</sup> June– 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday Vigil Mass

9.30am Fr Jose Antonio Ubillus Ints

6.30pm Fr Barto (anniv of ordination)

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Sts Peter & Paul

9.30am Graham Howes RIP

11am People of the Parish

12.30pm Holy Mass in Romanian

### Monday 30<sup>th</sup> (celebrated privately)

Holy Souls

### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>

7pm Phelomena Teo-Wong RIP

### Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

9.30am Louis Wong RIP

### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>

9.30am Fr Peter Williams (anniv of ordination)

### Friday 4<sup>th</sup>

9.30am Balchin family (Thanksgiving)

### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Vigil Mass

9.30am Fr Barto Ints

6.30pm John Smith (anniv)

### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday -Ord

9.30am Fernando Hermoza Ints

11am People of the Parish

12.30pm Holy Mass in Romanian

### From Wednesday to Saturday

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** **8.45am.**

**Morning prayer** **9.10am**

**Holy Rosary** **10.00am**

**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, Spanish and Romanian.

**Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)** We invite all parishioners to read and study together Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation – Tuesday evenings after the 7pm Mass.

### LECTIO DIVINA

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

### PARISH MISSION in the year of Jubilee

Led by Fr Royston, CSSR (Redemptorist) who will be here at the weekend Masses on 6th & 7th September. Parish Mission is from 8 to 10 September.

## **APPLICATION for CONFIRMATION, FHC & RCIA - 25/26**

### **• Confirmation (Year 10 and above)**

Bishop Alan will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with our young people next summer. Please complete an Application Form found in the porch and return it to the office **by Sunday 21 September 2025**. Please contact Jacinta on 07905 973435 or [jacinta.baichin@tintabee.co.uk](mailto:jacinta.baichin@tintabee.co.uk) if you have questions.

### **• FHC (Year 3 and above)**

Please complete an Application form found in the porch and return it to the office by Sunday 14 September. Please contact Joanna Roberts on 07852 923376 or [joannafr roberts@gmail.com](mailto:joannafr roberts@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

### **• RCIA**

Please speak to Fr Barto or Rev Alan or email the office.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

John Kain, husband of Helen who died last Saturday. His funeral is on 23<sup>rd</sup> July at 12pm at Green Acres, Epping Park, North Weald. Please keep Helen and the family in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

### **SUMMER BBQ 5 JULY 2025, 12- 4pm**

This is the Parish's main fundraising event. The money raised helps pay for repairs & maintenance of the Church, hall and presbytery. Please come along and support this annual event. Reflexology appointments available -£10 per session. Contact Tina Marrai.

We need **plants and cakes**. Please bring along on the day.

There are flyers in the porch. Please collect a few and distribute them to your friends.

### **RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

Is for Peter's Pence. This annual collection supports the Holy Father's charitable works, humanitarian initiatives, and the needs of the Universal Church.

### **LAST COFFEE MORNING BEFORE THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

On **Sunday 6 July** after the 9.30am and 11am Masses. Do come along for a bacon roll and refreshments.

### **29 JUNE - CELEBRATION for the SOLEMNITY of the SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

This is the patronal feast of the Romanian Community in our Parish. Parishioners are invited to participate in the Holy Mass at 12.30pm and celebrations thereafter in the hall.

### **PARISH MISSION led by Fr Royston Price, CSSR**

The theme is '3 days with Our Lady' From 8 – 10 September with sessions in the morning and evening. See poster in porch for details.

### **ALTAR SERVERS MEETING**

For all altar servers on Sunday 13 July 2025 at 3pm in Church

### **WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE FORMS**

It is **imperative** that you complete this form 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. Forms are in the porch.

### **MARY'S MEALS- Donations required**

Please see the list required in the porch.

**Please drop the donations into the white bag in the Baptistry.**

### **BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE – July Youth Mass, 3rd July**

Youth Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan at Brentwood Cathedral. There will be pizza in the parish hall from 6pm, followed by Youth Mass in the Cathedral from 7:30pm.. All young people around the Diocese are welcome Get in touch at [info@bcys.net](mailto:info@bcys.net) for more information.

### **DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE, 25 AUGUST 10.30am -4pm**

Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Call Millie on 07957594646 for more information. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria

### **DONATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS**

Please see the list of items needed in the porch.

### **PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS**

**Afternoon Club** Meet in the hall at 2pm on Wednesday 2 July 2025

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

**Golf** Sunday 6 July at 5pm at Woodford Golf club, If interested please contact the office as a booking at the Golf club must be confirmed before hand.

Last weekend Mass attendance was approximately 469. Thank you for your offering the main collection and collection for Sick & Retired clergy.

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Facebook page:

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

Diocese of Brentwood website:

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



### **YEAR OF JUBILEE**

Web resources - 1) Pilgrims of Hope - <https://saintanneline.com/year-of-jubilee-pilgrims-of-hope/> 2) The Word - <https://saintanneline.com/parish-bulletins/>

### **YEAR OF JUBILEE APP**

The 'jubilaem25' app can be downloaded to your phones.



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

### **Anniversaries 30 June – 6 July**

John Harty, Anna Ridd, Desmond Fitzgerald, Elizabeth Moore, Thomas Murphy, Jack Bull, Mrs Wong, Michael Hayes, Mollie Ellison, Fr Edward Littleton, James King, Fr Dermot McCormick, Marie Lejeune, David Barry, Agnes Brinklow, Mary Mitchell, Mary Blanchfield, Fr Pat Curran, Rosa Daoud, Morina Bernard, Fr Pat Carthy and John Smith, Jim Smith, George Booth, Francesco Luppi.

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

The Parish secretary is in the office on **Monday afternoons (not on Bank holidays), Wednesday and Friday mornings.**

### **CARDS & MASS CARDS FOR SALE IN THE PORCH**

**We have a new stock of different Mass in the porch. Please leave the money in the wall box. Fr Barto will be happy to sign the card for you.**

### **For the victims in Damascus - Pope Leo**

**We entrust the victims of the vile terrorist attack on the Greek Orthodox community of Mar Elias Church in Damascus to God's mercy, and we offer our prayers for the wounded and their families. The whole Church is close to you!**

**Please use the QR code for your weekly offertory. It is a safe and easy method to donate. Do Gift Aid if you are a Taxpayer.**

