

St Anne Line Catholic Church

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

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Deacon: Rev Alan Mair



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Message of the week

The liturgy of this Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time invites us to reflect upon God's call and our response. In the Gospel, Jesus looks upon the crowds with deep compassion, recognizing their spiritual hunger and their need for guidance. He sees people who are weary and searching, "like sheep without a shepherd."

Moved by this compassion, Jesus commissions His disciples to continue His mission. They are sent to proclaim the Kingdom of God, to heal, to reconcile, and to bring hope to those in need. This mission did not end with the Apostles. Through our Baptism, each of us shares in Christ's mission and is called to be a witness to the Gospel in our daily lives.

The First Reading reminds us that God chose Israel to be "a kingdom of priests, a holy nation." Likewise, we are called to be a people set apart for God's service. Saint Paul, in the Second Reading, reminds us of the immense love God has shown us through Christ, who died for us while we were still sinners.

Today, the Lord continues to call labourers into His harvest. Some are called to ordained ministry and religious life; all are called to discipleship, service, prayer, and evangelization. Let us pray for an increase in vocations and for the courage to respond generously to God's call in our own lives.

Christ entrusts His mission to His disciples and equips them with the gifts needed to serve. We too have received blessings, talents, and opportunities to build God's Kingdom. Let us consider how we can offer our time, talent, and treasure more generously in service to the Church and our neighbours.

May the Eucharist strengthen us to become faithful disciples and joyful witnesses of Christ's love.

Rev Alan

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Youth SVP Group: Next Session - Saturday 13th June at 2:45pm. Fun on the water. See poster in porch for more details.

Afternoon Club will meet on 17 June from 2-4pm in the hall.

Summer BBQ- 4 July from 12-4pm.

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

Mass Intentions 13th June – 21st June 2026

Saturday 13th *Sunday Vigil Mass*

9.30am Celebrants Ints

6.30pm Holy Souls

Sunday 14th *11th Sunday Ordinary Time*

9.30am Teresa Perdomo RIP

11am People of the Parish

Monday 15th *(celebrated privately)*

Holy Souls

Tuesday 16th

9.30am Gary Hahn (recovery)

Wednesday 17th

9.30am Private Int (KR)

Thursday 18th

9.30am Holy Souls

Friday 19th

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Saturday 20th *Sunday Vigil Mass*

9.30am Celebrants Ints

6.30pm Jerome Philomin & family RIP

Sunday 21st *12th Sunday Ordinary Time*

9.30am People of the Parish

11am John Kain (anniv)

Confession is after weekday morning Mass from Tuesday to Saturday and by appointment.

From Tuesday to Friday

Morning prayer 9.20am

Holy Rosary 10am

HOLY HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday 10-11am

LECTIO DIVINA

We pray Lectio Divina after morning mass each Friday at 10am in the parish hall. Come along and find out more.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Next session is on 14 June at the 9.30am Mass.

BAPTISM & RCIA Speak to Fr Celestine and Rev Alan. For Baptism it is essential that you make contact with us as soon as possible to ensure that Diocesan requirements are fulfilled and a suitable date can be placed in the diary.

MARRIAGES We welcome the marriage of parishioners and those who regularly worship here. Please notify Fr Celestine or Rev Alan at least six months in advance to allow adequate time for preparation.

Fr Celestine is available in the office

Tuesdays 10-12pm

Fridays 7-9pm

FR CELESTINE'S CONTACT DETAILS:

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RETIRING COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND- DAY FOR LIFE

On Sunday, 21 June, we mark the Day for Life under the theme "The Wonder of the Child in the Womb." The theme also recognises the loss of children who died before birth and the grief of their parents. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the Day for Life website: www.dayforlife.org. The second collection will go towards the Day for Life Fund, which distributes grants to organisations that promote respect for life from conception until natural death. You can also donate online via the Day for Life website."

ALTAR SERVERS MEETING

For new and current altar servers on **Sunday 21 June** at 4pm. Parents are invited to attend.

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We will need more volunteers to help at the 9.30am Mass !! If you can help every other week during term time please contact Lynn on 07903 852 375.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To help water the plants in the flower beds. Please contact Tina Marrai (07941 227 743) or Damian O'Connor (07391 067 014) if you can help.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

SUMMER BBQ 2026- MAIN PARISH FUNDRAISER

- The date of this enjoyable event is on **SATURDAY 4 JULY 2026**. We need your help- donations of bottles, plants, raffle prizes needed. Please contact Tina on 07941 227 743 if you can donate any of the items.
- **Face painter needed** for the Summer BBQ! Contact Tina Marrai if you are interested in the reflexology appointment or can help with face painting.
- **RAFFLE TICKETS** for the hamper will be available from this Saturday. Price £1.
- **QI GONG class at** 1pm in the garden for adults and young adults to promote liver health. Cost £10. Please pre- book a place with Tina.

STATUES OF OUR LADY & SACRED HEART OF JESUS

If you would like to welcome the blessed statues into your home, please speak to Fr Celestine.

WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE FORMS

It is **imperative** that you complete this form for the Sacraments, (FHC & Confirmation) and for nursery, primary & secondary Catholic Schools. Forms are in the porch.

PARISH HALL

The parish hall is available for hire for birthday parties and other events. Please contact the office for more information.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Bishop Alan will be celebrating this Mass on Saturday 11 July, 3pm at Brentwood Cathedral, followed by a reception in the hall. We have 5 invitations for couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries, recently married, preparing for marriage. Please speak to Fr Celestine or contact the office if you would like to attend.

"AWAKE LONDON" A Catholic Bible convention and Healing ministry on Saturday 20 June 12.30 - 4.45 pm led by Rev.Fr.Jude Kurumeh CSSp and Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry UK at Catholic Parish of Christ The King, 455 Chingford Road London,E4 8SP. (www.afcmuk.org). Free car parking available.

THE HOLY LAND: GIFT OR ENTITLEMENT? – TALK AT GIDEA PARK

For decades the struggle over the Land has led to conflict in the Middle East. How should believers interpret the biblical texts related to the Land? Our renowned speaker, Fr John Deehan, is a Scripture scholar, who taught for many years at Allen Hall Seminar. On Saturday 4th July, 11am-1pm. at Christ the Eternal High Priest Catholic Church, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. Admission free. The event will also be available via live stream on www.whatgoodnews.org

FLAME, WEMBLEY ARENA, MARCH 2027

Join thousands of other young Catholics for a concert filled with Inspiring speakers, live music, prayer and adoration. Tickets are going fast and the early bird discount ends soon. £30 per ticket. Contact jacinta.balchin@tintabee.co.uk to sign up for a place and further details.

DONATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS (COLLECTED FOR THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS)

Please see list of items needed in the porch.

VACANCIES

- Headteacher - Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School & Nursery, Southend-on-Sea
Deadline for application: 09:00 Wednesday 17th June 2026
- Headteacher - St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Chingford
Deadline for application: 09:00 am Friday 26th June 2026
- Deputy Director of Education – Diocese of Brentwood
Deadline for applications: 5pm, Monday 29th June 2026

Last weekend Mass attendance was 232. Thank you very much for your collection offerings as well as the collection for Sick & Retired clergy.

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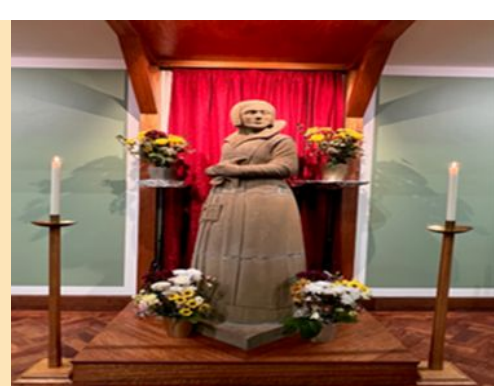
Church website: www.saintanneline.com

Facebook page:

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

Diocese of Brentwood website:

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



Pope Leo

Dilexit Te - Apostolic Exhortation from Pope Leo - see Vatican website.

Pope Leo Encyclical

Pope Leo's first encyclical, Magnifica humanitas, on preserving the human person in the age of artificial intelligence.

[Click here to read](#)

Please pray for those who are sick

Anniversaries 15-21 June

Timothy Moriarty, Miss E Petry, Frank Lavery, Rose Walker, John Kelly, James Roche, Bishop Bernard Patrick Wall, Michael Manze, Patrick Hudson, Roy Tinsley, Fr Vincent Dutton, Sr Cecile Agnes, Laurence Dillon, Rupert Bernard, James William Hughes, Mgr Henry Posluszny and Annie Perkins, John Kain.

PARISH OFFICE (IN THE PRESBYTERY) The Parish secretary is in the office on Monday afternoons (not on Bank holidays), all day Wednesday and Friday mornings.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome!! Please introduce yourself to Fr Celestine and Rev Alan. Also complete a registration and GDPR form found in the porch and return to the Parish Office once completed.

CARDS & MASS CARDS FOR SALE IN THE PORCH

Please leave the money in the wall box.

Pope's Prayer Intention for June

Fr the values of sport:

Let us pray that sport be an instrument of peace, of encounter, and lead to dialogue among cultures and nations so that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

clicktopray.org

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.

