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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The Parish Priest's Corner

My dear good people of God. I want to dedicate this corner to studying and learning about our Catholic teachings & doctrines.

Together we can learn about our beliefs and build up our faith.

After careful examination of the Sacraments of the Church, I would like us to look at the teachings of the Church on **CAPITAL SINS**

There are seven capital sins. Actually, they are not sins in themselves, they are vices that lead one into grave sins. These vices are the root cause of sin and they have spiritual effects on our relationship with God.

These capital sins are: Pride, Envy, Anger, Covetousness, Gluttony, Lust and Sloth.

1. PRIDE

The chief danger of the spiritual life is depreciation of the importance of spiritual sin.
Pride is the root of all sins. It is essentially the dethronement of God in the heart and the setting up of self in his place. It is a form of rebellion of the soul towards God. Pride is the sin of the Devil and the root of all our self will. We fall into the sin of pride whenever we deliberately set aside the will of God in order to please ourselves. It is inordinate self love.

It is exhibited in all forms of self sufficiency and exaggerated ideas of one's own virtue, abilities or importance; the desire to impose one's own will upon others, always to be the centre of attraction.

Pride has three children:

a) Presumption
b) Ambition
c) Vanity

Presumption is the desire for things which are too high for us. The presumptuous person has such a good opinion of oneself that one never knows the limits of one's capabilities, nor realizes his complete dependence upon God for any good that one does or is.
(to be continued)

Fr Celestine

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Christmas Bazaar on Sunday 15 November from 10.30am – 1pm.
Children's Christmas Party 6 December from 2-4pm. Price £7 per child. Please see poster in porch on how to pay.
Table tennis. On Friday 3-5pm.Contact Liz on 07403 649306.

Mass 24th October – 1st November 2026

Saturday 24th St Anthony Mary Claret
9.30am Diana Burgess RIP
Saturday 24th *Sunday Vigil Mass*
6.30pm Celebrants Ints
Sunday 25th *30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
9.30am People of the Parish)
11am Giovanna Zeppetella (anniv)
Monday 26th *Sts Cedd & Chad (celebrated privately)*
Holy Souls
Tuesday 27th
9.30am Holy Souls
Wednesday 28th Ss Simon & Jude
9.30am Jerome Philomin & family RIP
Thursday 29th
9.30am Jim Moore RIP
Friday 30th
9.30am Morton family Ints
Saturday 31st
9.30am Celebrants Ints
Saturday 31st *Sunday Vigil Mass*
6.30pm Atal/Singh family Ints
Sunday 1st *All Saints*
9.30am People of the Parish)
11am June & Michael Ints

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
There will be no Children's Liturgy during half term.

BAPTISM & RCIA Speak to Fr Celestine and Rev Alan. For Baptism it is essential that you contact 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

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NEWLY APPOINTED BISHOP OF BRENTWOOD
His Holiness Pope Leo XIV has appointed Bishop Timothy Menzies as the new Bishop of Brentwood. His Episcopal Installation takes place on the memorial of St Francis Xavier, Thursday 3 December 2026, at the Cathedral Church of St Mary and St Helen, Brentwood. Please see https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/ for the article.

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS
There is a box at the back of the Church for the list of names of departed relatives and friends that you would like prayed for. The lists will rest at the altar throughout November. There will be a second collection **on 31st Oct/1st Nov** for Masses for Holy Souls which will be said throughout the year.

ALL SOULS DAY , Monday 2 November
Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm.

ALTAR SERVERS MEETING
On Sunday 1 November at 4pm in the hall.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC
If you would like to be received into the Church and become a Catholic, please speak to Fr Celestine or Rev Alan.

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.

MISSIO RED BOXES
We would ask that throughout October parishioners could bring in donations from their Red Boxes. There are brown envelopes in the porch in which donations can be placed so that parishioners can keep their Red Boxes. Please ensure that any donations are placed safely in the sacristy and not left at the back of church.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – 15 NOVEMBER
For Christmas Bazaar -Bottles of wine or spirit requires and cakes too! Contact Tina Marrai.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER
On sale this weekend at all Masses. £1 per ticket.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS WITH A CHILDREN'S NATIVITY - SATURDAY 19 DECEMBER, 3pm
Children of all ages are invited to take part in this year's Nativity. Contact Tina Marrai for further information on 07941 227743. The next rehearsal is on Sunday 8 November at 2pm in the Church hall.

AFTERNOON CLUB
The Afternoon Club is held alternate Wednesdays (including holidays) in the hall between 2-4 pm. For the cost of £2, it is an opportunity to enjoy a hot drink and homemade cakes, make new friends or just spend time in our company. It is open to everyone, not just parishioners. After refreshments we offer the opportunity to play bingo or board games. Contact Tina on 07941227743 or cmarrai123@gmail.com for more information.

YOUTH MASS
Youth Mass in our Parish on first Fridays of the month at 6pm. Next Youth Mass is on Friday 6 November 2026. There will be refreshments in the hall after Mass.

CARITAS BRENTWOOD- Refugees and People seeking asylum
Saturday, 14th November hosted by St Anne Line Church.12:45pm - 3:30pm. A talk on Catholic Social Teaching from the Sisters of St Joseph of Tarbes. Followed by lived experience from parishioners of St Antony of Padua Parish, Forest Gate.

HOW TO HAVE A MASS CELEBRATED
There are brown Mass offering envelopes in the porch. Complete the details and hand the envelope with your Mass offering of £10 to Fr Celestine or drop it through the letter box at No 7.

THE CALL TO BE HUMAN: Is love all you need? A talk to be given by Fr Martin Boland. Wednesday 28th October 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. in the parish centre of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead. All welcome. www.ourladyoflourdes.com

BLESSING OF GRAVES on Sunday 1 November 2026
Forest Park and Longwood Gardens at 1.30pm.

The BI- ANNUAL CONCELEBRATED REQUIEM MASS St. Patrick's Cemetery, Leytonstone on Monday 9th November 2026 at 11.30 am

A DAY WITH MARY – 7 NOVEMBER, 9.45am – 5pm.
At Westminster Cathedral.The Most Reverend Richard Moth, Archbishop of Westminster will be the Celebrant & Preacher at 10.30am Cathedral Mass on that day. Further information is available at ***https://www.adaywithmary.org/***

DONATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS (COLLECTED FOR THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS)
Please see list of items needed **in the porch.**

Mass attendance last weekend was 206. Thank you very much for your collection offerings including the collection for APF Missio.



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

Pope Leo Encyclical
Please check our parish website for links to Pope Leo's encyclical Magnifica Humanitas

Please pray for those who are sick

Anniversaries 26 October to 1 November
George Swash, Margaret Washbourne, H Simpson, EW Bass, James Donnelly, Peter McEvoy, Louisa Orgill-Adams, William Carter, Vincent Farrell, Mary Ginty, Sarah J Poul & Mafadda Smith.

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.

PARENTS - please always accompany your child to the toilet.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October:
For mental health ministry
Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

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