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**

PRIDE – Part 2

One of the children of Pride is AMBITION. Ambition is the inordinate love of honours, dignities or authority over others.

Another child of Pride is VANITY. Vanity is the inordinate desire to be thought well of. The vain person always wants to create a good impression.

The sin of pride is directly dishonouring to the majesty of almighty God. A proud person regards one's virtues and talents as his own, not as gifts from God. The person aspires to heights which God does not will for him/her. Always desiring the emptiness of human esteem.

Through this vice of pride, one separates oneself from the loving will of God. One injures creation, for we can only find true purpose and happiness in the fulfillment of the will of God. Through this vice, one spoil's God's plan for one.

The cure for pride is HUMULITY. Humility is sincerity. It is a virtue that helps one to see oneself as one is the sight of God. It helps one to realise that one's whole being and whatever is good in it, is God's.

Fr Celestine

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Afternoon Club next meeting on 4 November, 12.30pm at the Carvery in Buckhurst Hill.

Christmas Bazaar on Sunday 15 November from 10.30am – 1pm.

Children's Christmas Party 6 December from 2-4pm

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

Mass 31st October – 8th November 2026

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
Monday 2nd *All Souls*
7.30pm Holy Souls
Tuesday 3rd
9.30am Holy Souls
Wednesday 4th St Charles Borromeo
9.30am Bob & Anne Power RIP
Thursday 5th
9.30am Jerome Philomin & family RIP
Friday 6th
9.30am S'ng Swee Poh RIP
6pm Youth Mass
Saturday 7th
9.30am Celebrants Ints
Saturday 7th *Sunday Vigil Mass*
6.30pm Jennifer Ann Collins (anniv)
Sunday 8th *32nd Sunday Ordinary (Remembrance Sunday)*
9.30am Dead in the War
11am Claudio Zeppetella (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
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

FR CELESTINE'S CONTACT DETAILS:
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NEWLY APPOINTED BISHOP OF BRENTWOOD
His Holiness Pope Leo XIV has appointed Bishop Timothy Menezes 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 more information.

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.

RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND
Masses for Holy Souls which will be said throughout the year.

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

PRAYER SPONSORS NEEDED
We need 8 prayer sponsors to pray daily for the children in the parish who will be making their First Holy Communion next summer. Your name and address will be passed to one of the children who will write to you and introduce themselves. Please contact Joanna Roberts on 07852 923 376 if you are interested.

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

TABLE TOP SALE 13 DECEMBER
If you would like a table, please contact Tina on 07941 227743.

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.

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

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 6 DECEMBER 2-4pm in the Parish hall
With Sean the magician at £7 per a child, includes finger food. When making payment using QR code, please note the child's first name and surname, any Dietary requirements and medical needs we need to be aware of.

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.

YOUTH MASS
Youth Mass in our Parish on first Fridays of the month at 6pm. Next Youth Mass is on Friday 4 December 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.

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.**

VACANCY – PA to the Parish Priest- Our Lady of Lourdes- Wanstead
Part-time working 30 hours per week at £15.45 per hour – (working pattern tbc).
The closing date for applications is 10th November 2026 and suitable applicants will be invited to attend an interview on 18th November. If you have any queries or if you would like to apply, please send your CV to **wanstead@brcdt.org**

Mass attendance last weekend was 215. Thank you very much for your collection offerings. Please bring any Missio offerings to church during this month.



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 2 November to 8 November
John O'Rielly, Capt. G Connolly, Thomas McCarthy, Marie Hale, Victor Laar, Agnes Mossey, Stella Long, Sarah Orgill, Latsi Varga, Michael Davis, Kathleen O'Donoghue, Cardinal John Heenan, Canon Charles Carr, Velma Rampersand, Mr Zagon & Mrs B Bingham.

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.

GIFT AID COORDINATOR
Anthony Collins
Giftaid-southwoodford@brcdt.org

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.

Please use the Contactless machine for your weekly offertory. It is a safe and easy method to donate. Do Gift Aid if you are a Taxpayer as this can allow the parish to claim 25p from HMRC for every £1 you give – at no cost to you.
https://saintanneline.com/donate/

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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