

Mass Times and Intentions at St. Stephen's Church, Manor Park	
Sat 8th Feb 2025	
6.00 p.m.	Vigil Mass. Meenu Virdee Thanksgiving & healing
Sun 9th Feb	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C
9.00 a.m.	Sr Marguerite de Jesus RIP
11.00 a.m.	Satpal Rai Thanksgiving & healing
Mon 10th Feb	St Scholastica, V
9.15 a.m.	Joseph Michael RIP
Tue 11th Feb	Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Principal Patroness of the Diocese
9.15 a.m.	Sr Nula Mullins RIP
Wed 12th Feb	Feria
	No Mass
Thu 13th Feb	Feria
9.15 a.m.	
Fri 14th Feb	St Cyril, M, & St Methodius, B Feast
9.15 a.m.	
Sat 15th Feb	Feria
4.30pm-5.30pm	Adoration & Confessions
6.00 p.m.	Vigil Mass
Sun 16th Feb	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C
9.00 a.m.	Quirino Allam Lozano Jr 1 st anniversary RIP
11.00 a.m.	Anna Carayol RIP

Prayer List

John Oruche, Veronica Ojuri, Margaret, Chris, Loreen Phillips, Kathleen Phillips, Baby Simon Elliott, Clemence Sanderson, Kathleen Kavanagh, Mary Jane Ememe, Jay Agnes, Teresa & Patrick Moran.

Offertory 2nd February 2025

Envelopes	£234.80
Loose plate	£309.22
Standing order	£357.12
Total	£901.14

Repository: £310.00
 Second Collections: £68.10
 Coffee morning: £32.90



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CARD READER: Just a reminder that there is now a **Card Reader or DCP (Digital Collection Plate)** at the back of the church for parishioners to use. It will give you the facility to pay whatever you wish for the first or second collections, as well as things like the building fund, sales from the Repository for religious articles, or any other collections. There is no charge for you when you use it. The ushers will show you how to use it. I encourage the use of the Card Reader because it saves us banking the collections and it makes processing our collections in our account much easier. Furthermore, the DCP allows you to indicate whether it is a Gift Aid contribution (if you are part of the Gift Aid Scheme). This saves you putting your contributions into envelopes and putting it in the collection bags. **Please note that anybody who still wishes to use Standing Orders or pay by cheque or cash into the collection bags, they are most welcome to do so.**

MARY'S MEALS & FOREIGN CURRENCY: A charity called Mary's Meals are constantly trying to raise funds to feed schoolchildren throughout the world in the most impoverished places. They feed 2 million children each day in the world. They simply ask for any foreign currency (notes or loose change) to be put in the envelopes provided (you will find them at the back of the church). We all have foreign currency from trips abroad laying in our drawers and cupboards doing nothing. Why not put them to good use feeding a child. Take an envelope and fill it with as many notes and coins that you may have which is of no use to you. Ask family members if they have any foreign currency to put in the envelopes. Then return the envelope to the church which we will send to the charity. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – SATURDAY 24TH

MAY 2025: Join Bishop Alan and other parishes around the Diocese of Brentwood in Walsingham to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope. We will celebrate Mass at the Basilica before walking the Holy Mile to the grounds of Walsingham Abbey to celebrate Vespers and Benediction on the site of the Holy House. To book a place to Walsingham, sign up at the back of the church or contact Galvin Gabriel, your parish representative (Tel No. **07751 515161**). You will have to pay your money for the coach trip up front to reserve a place. **£25 Adults. £15 for children. The coach will leave St Stephen's at 7 am and return from Walsingham at 5 pm.**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: We are looking for volunteers for the SVP. If you are interested in joining the SVP, then contact Martina or myself at the email: manorpark@brcdt.org

CARITAS NEWHAM DEANERY: In the coming weeks and months, we are still looking for volunteers to give advice for the people of the parish on Social, Economic and Housing issues. It would help if the volunteers had some form of experience in legal matters, the DWP, the LB Newham Housing and Social Care, and charities. We are looking to establish a Caritas Newham Deanery who could help with a variety of issues within the parish and the Borough. We are seeking to establish a group of people who could give help and support to people. We will be searching for people to volunteer in the following: Parish Representative overseeing the group and being the main point of contact. Legal Advisor, Benefits Advisor, Housing Advisor, Social & Medical Care Advisor, Refugee & Asylum Seeker Support, Family Support, Educational Needs, and an Advisor on Charities that can help. If you are interested, then please email Fr Tony Grant at: manorpark@brcdt.org

Pilgrimage in the footsteps of St Paul: To celebrate the Jubilee year there will be an opportunity to go to Greece to see the communities St Paul set up and wrote to. Royal Docks parish are hoping to go 18th-25th October 2025 but that can only be confirmed if they have enough people interested (they currently have 4 and need to confirm 20 by the end of February). It will cost £1395 (£1650 for a single occupant). If you are interested, please send an e-mail to frdanielkelly@brcdt.org giving your name and the number of people in your party and Fr Daniel will send you the itinerary, booking form and answer any questions you may have.

GIFT AID FORMS: Furthermore, Gift Aid Forms are available at the back of the church on the table if you would like to sign up. If you are working and

paying tax, Gift Aid allows us to claim back 25% Tax on any contributions you make to the church.

SURGERY: The Surgery has recommenced and will be held each Monday 5.30 – 6.30 pm. If you have anything you need to discuss like Sacraments, inquiries or any other issues, etc, then please come along.

ST WINEFRIDE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL has Nursery and Pre-School places available for children aged 2 and up. To check your eligibility please go to <https://www.gov.uk/check-eligible-free-childcare-if-youre-working> or <https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-2-year-olds-claim-benefits>. Fee paying places are also available. For vacancies in other year groups, including Reception for September 2025, please call the school on **020 8478 0510** for more details.

MARRIAGE WEEK: 7th-14th February is National Marriage Week. Please pray for couples living the vocation to marriage, for those preparing for married life, for those who are widowed, and those who are struggling with difficult situations in their family life. The Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Marriage and Family Life will take place in Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 21st June - if you are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, please let your parish priest know. There is an online programme from 27th Feb to 2nd March, and a live programme in June - visit retrouvaille.org.uk for more information.

ADoRE spiritual mini-retreat 22nd February 10.00-1.00 on Zoom. "PILGRIMS OF HOPE – THE HOLY SPIRIT IS OUR GUIDE." Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring guest speaker Gerry Penfold. Please register for the free Zoom meeting in advance at [/bit.ly/ADOREFEB2025](https://bit.ly/ADOREFEB2025) More information at www.altonrenewal.com

VOLUNTEERS: I am still looking for volunteers for a **Maintenance Team, a Sacristan for the week, Eucharistic Ministers** to bring Communion to the sick, Young Readers, Catechists, and new members for the Parish Council.
Maranatha - Our next evening of prayer and praise will be held on Thursday 20th February at 7pm at the Sion Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, CM15 9BX.

Counters' Rota					
Date	10/2/2025	17/2/2025	24/2/2025	3/3/2025	10/3/2025
Group	St Mark	St Luke	St Matthew	St Mark	St Mark

