



Family Catholic Church

Parish Priest

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Reconciliation: Sat. 4:45-5:45pm - Baptisms and Weddings by appointment

Livestream available via the parish website on

<https://www.holyfamilychurchdagenham.org/mass-stream.php>

12th January, The Baptism of the Lord - C

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11

Titus 2:11-14;3:4-7

Luke 3:15-16,21-22

There was a feeling of expectancy around at the time of John the Baptist but it was directed at the wrong person. It was not the one crying in the wilderness but Jesus who was to be the saviour of all the people. It was he who took on human nature so that he could save human nature. Paul tells us to respond to this by living the life the Lord would wish.

19th January, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

Isaiah 62:1-5

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

John 2:1-11

The fickleness of the people had brought on them the punishment of exile. God now shows his forgiveness by promising to restore Jerusalem and fill it with glory. In the wedding wine we are shown a new grace. Jesus the saviour is here, and a new forgiveness is upon us. The jars used for the old law's rules are now full of the new and wonderful wine of the new law of love.

26th January, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

Nehemiah 8:2-10

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21

Calling the people together at the time of the return from exile Eza interprets the law for them; their 'Amen' is a declaration of faith in the word. Christ announces that he has come to bring that law to its fullness. Though we form different parts of the Body of Christ as members of the Church we are called to live by the law that Jesus gives.

We pray for the members of our parish community who are ill or unable to come to Mass especially:

Mary Ware	Danny O'Sullivan	Yvonne Falvey	Thomas Walsh	Paul Buckley	Don Ellett
Tony Leahy	Maureen Bushell	Ibiron Ayool	Myla Lebersidge	Karen Lloyd	Mark Paton
Olive Edgar	Mary Wallace	Andy Gallagher	Denis O'Flaherty	Ellen Murphy	Catherine Nee
Amanda Shpati		Barbara Quarrell		Catherine Watkins	

May they experience the healing touch of Jesus

REGISTRATION FORMS

If you are new to the parish or have not yet registered, please fill in a parish registration form and hand it in to the presbytery office.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection after Masses all this weekend for Holy Family Youth Service (HYFS), and a second collection after all weekend Masses 18th/19th January for Pax Christi.

CHRISTMAS CRIB

All money collected throughout the Christmas season until 2nd February will be donated to Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS).

This is to provide specialist help for vulnerable children in difficult circumstances.

READERS FOR MASS

Sat 11 th Jan	6:00pm	Peter Roberts & Daniel Hughes
Sun 12 th Jan	9:00am	Chidozie Nnanyere & Philipa Adamuyiwa
	11:00am	Veronica Obi & Cynthia Nnadi
Sat 18 th Jan	6:00pm	Anne Carroll & Marian Fitzgerald
Sun 19 th Jan	9:00am	Confirmation Candidates
	11:00am	1 st Holy Communion & Caliyp Candidates
Sat 25 th Jan	6:00pm	Chidozie Nnanyere & Peter Roberts
Sun 26 th Jan	9:00am	Ngozi Onodugo & Robert Dean
	11:00am	Pamela Egualeon & Jennifer Muir

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR MASS

Sat 11 th Jan	6:00pm	Denis Ahorituwere
Sun 12 th Jan	9:00am	<i>Amanda Shpati</i>
	11:00am	Nkem Okoli
Sat 18 th Jan	6:00pm	Karen Drillon
Sun 19 th Jan	9:00am	Matthew Onyemah
	11:00am	Augusta Egualeon
Sat 25 th Jan	6:00pm	Marian Fitzgerald
Sun 26 th Jan	9:00am	Teresa Onyemah
	11:00am	Christine Maxey

CONSIDERATE CAR PARKING

Please consider our neighbours when parking your car at Mass. Can parishioners please ensure that they do not park across the neighbours' driveways in Oxlow Lane and Halburt Street.

CHURCH PROGRAMMES

First Holy Communion 24/25 Your next session will be on Saturday 8th February at 10:00am for Candidates. Your Mass will be on *Sunday 9th February at 11:00am*. Please be punctual and attend all sessions, *remember to check the course programme for times of sessions and Masses*.

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RCIA: Resumes 14th January and will take place at 7:30pm in the presbytery. If you wish to find out more about the Catholic faith or wish to become a baptised/confirmed member of the Church do feel free to join the RCIA programme. **Term time only.**

Confirmation Programme 24/25 Your next session will be on Saturday 8th February at 2:30pm for Candidates. Your Mass will be on *Saturday 8th February at 6:00pm*. Please be punctual and attend all sessions, *remember to check the course programme for times of sessions and Masses*.

Baptism Course The next course will take place 22nd & 29th January 2025. Please email the office no later than 15th January if you wish to enrol. Both sessions must be attended. *Please note that Baptisms will not take place during Lent.*

Bible Study Group Meet every Wednesday at 7:30pm in the presbytery meeting room. **Term time only.**

MESSAGE FROM FR JEAN-LAURENT

Thank you, dear parishioners, for your Christmas cards, gifts and warm expressions of kindness and appreciation during Christmas week. I would like to thank once again, all the groups, volunteers, ministries and apostolates in the parish for your hard work, time and commitment throughout the year. God Bless all of you.

eNEWSLETTER - UPDATE

To help reduce our carbon footprint, copies of the newsletter are now available on our parish website, www.holyfamilychurchdagenham.org.

If anyone, over the age of 18, is interested in receiving the newsletter or providing feedback via their mobile phones please text your name and phone number to 07578252029. You will then be sent contact details to add to your address book and confirm. Again, this is only available for 18+.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Young children must be accompanied by an adult when using the parish toilet. Please report any hazards to Fr Jean or one of the welcomers. Thank you.

Please **DO NOT** light any votive candles near the Christmas Crib as this can cause a fire hazard.

FOODBANK

Thank you for your kind and generous donations, especially over the Christmas period.

WHY DO PEOPLE NO LONGER COME TO CHURCH?

The Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre are hosting a talk by Rev Dr Liam Hayes at New Hall School. The talk, followed by discussion, starts at 7pm on Wed Jan 22nd. Refreshments will be served from 6.30pm. No cost to attend. All are welcome but need to register via the following link <https://canonesses.co.uk/event/why-do-people-no-longer-go-to-church-wed-22-jan-2025/>

A YEAR OF HOPE: An Introduction to the Jubilee Year with the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

2025 is a Jubilee year, but what does that mean? How will the Church be celebrating it? How can I get involved? Catholic talk show host and author Nana Churcher, and CAFOD's Simon Giarchi will be hosting Fr Jan Nowotnik (Director of Mission for the Bishop's Conference), Christine Allen (CAFOD's Director) and Kayode Akintola (CAFOD's Head of Africa) and more in this lively start to the Jubilee. Hear highlights of how we're celebrating as a church and how we can be tangible signs of hope and build a better world together throughout this holy year. With a special appearance by Catholic band Ooberfuse. Saturday 18 Jan, 10:30am-midday, online.

Register here for free: [//cafod.org.uk/jubilee](https://cafod.org.uk/jubilee)

2025 CARITAS BRENTWOOD NETWORKING DAY

You are warmly invited to the 2025 Caritas Brentwood Networking Day, taking place on Sunday, 9th February, from 2:00–6:00pm at St. Edward the Confessor Church Hall, Romford RM1 4AT. This event is an opportunity to explore the Catholic response to pressing issues such as homelessness, welcoming refugees and migrants, supporting those affected by the Cost-of-Living Crisis, and addressing climate change. Join us to find inspiration during this Jubilee year, exchange ideas and best practices with parishioners across Essex and East London and learn about the charities and resources available to support your efforts. Registration is free - find more details at www.caritasbrentwood.org/network

Mass Intentions

The Baptism of the Lord - C

Saturday 11th Jan	6:00pm	Betty Haywood (Get Well)	Haywood Family
Sunday 12th Jan	9:00am	Taiwo Olaitan (Thanksgiving)	
	11:00am	People of the Parish	

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Mon 13th January	9:00am	Chioma (Thanksgiving)	
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Tue 14th January	6:30pm	Wesley (Thanksgiving)	
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Wed 15th January	9:00am	Pauline Egbunike (RIP)	Anteyi Family
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Thu 16th January	9:00am	Emilia & Germanus Akunda (RIP)	Cecilia
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St Antony, Ab

Fri 17th January	9:00am	Fr John McKeon (RIP) Followed by Holy Hour	A & J Carroll
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Saturday 18th Jan	9:00am	Victory	C Aligwu
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

Saturday 18th Jan	6:00pm	Catherine Ahorituwere (RIP)	
Sunday 19th Jan	9:00am	Eunice Niwihaki (RIP)	Nyokabi
	11:00am	People of the Parish	

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Mon 20th January	9:00am	Pierre Sylvan Cheong (RIP)	
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St Agnes, V M

Tue 21st January	6:30pm	Bill Godden (RIP)	E Lynch
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Wed 22nd January	9:00am	Antoine Allet (RIP)	
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Thu 23rd January	9:00am	Pauline Egbunike (RIP)	
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St Frances de Sales, Bp, D

Fri 24th January	9:30am	School Mass Kingsley (Thanksgiving) Followed by Holy Hour	Family
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The Conversion of St Paul, Ap

Saturday 25th Jan	9:00am	Gordon Fairbanks (Spec Ints)	
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - C

Saturday 25th Jan	6:00pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday 26th Jan	9:00am	Michael O'Donoghue Jr. (RIP)	A Godden
	11:00am	John Keaneney (RIP)	A Godden & P Brooke

Mass attendance: 21st/22nd Dec: 361 Late: 122 28th/29th Dec: 406 Late: 119 5th/6th Jan: 327 Late: 122
Collections: 21st/22nd Dec: £1,003.37 28th/29th Dec: £1,054.89 5th/6th Jan: £822.81