

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

## Parish News

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**Saturday 11th January/ Sunday 12th January 2025**

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (C)**



**SICK PARISHIONERS: We pray for the sick and housebound and those who have asked for our prayers:**

Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathy McBrierty, Mary Davis, Kathleen Haigh, Mary Rooney, Megan Delaney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Chris Brodie, Barbara Mansell, Janet Cash, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, Hazel Smith, John Kisielowski, Peggy White, Janine Corbey, Bridget Finneral, Jordan Caulfield, Mary O'Keeffe, Kate Friedlein, Stephanie Price, Sharon Jenner, Maria Caparco, Anne Bardell, Agnes Hughes, Mary Breadman, Noel McCormack, Bob and Martha Botelho, Peter McDonagh, Janet Boxall, Melissa Kendal, Maria Kersey, Melanie Harmer and Ursula Kirk.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Wilfrid di Palma, Wally Bojko, Martin Patten, Christina Lang, Iris Hale, Jayne King, Henryka Duzniak, Clare Rigdon, Jan Drys, George Marshall, Doris Jakens, Nora Brown, Roma Royal, Ann Crow, Deborah Webber, Florence Smith, Patrick Groarke, Anthony Rand, John Symonds, Hieronym Lenort, Valerie Harding, Thomas Purcell, Rina Nicholls, Marina Woulfe, Dorothy Blair, Lorraine Smith and Anne Riley.

**May they rest in peace.**

**CONFESSIONS AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament take place on Saturday between 10.30am and 11.30am.

**URGENT APPEAL**

We have repeatedly been let down by local companies who have been out to take a look at our Church roof, they inspect the roof, say they will submit a report of the work required as apparently there are a few issues (not a quick fix were the words used by one company).

They then fail to respond or indeed even send a report to us.

We have also tried nationwide companies who specialise in Churches but no one will attend.

The water damage in the Church will only get worse.

**Do you know of anyone who can help?**

**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 22<sup>nd</sup>. 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/>

**ALBS FOR ALTAR SERVERS:** If you have any Albs at home that are currently not being used, can you please return them to Clare at The Presbytery. We have a number of new Altar Servers and are doing a stock take of sizes at the moment so we can ensure there are enough for all of the new servers.

**Many thanks.**

**GARDENER/MAINTENANCE PERSON REQUIRED FOR THE CHURCH:**

We want to say a big Thank You to Jerome for the care and attention our grounds have received in the past year or so; the gardens have been beautifully maintained and many of the outstanding issues in the Church and Presbytery have been addressed. He is moving on to pastures new and so we need a new Gardener/Maintenance person to help look after our Church. If you are interested in this position or know of anyone who might be, please speak to Clare in the office.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Next weekend, there will be a Second Collection for **PAX CHRISTI (World Peace Day)**. Gift Aiders, please use your Second Collection Envelopes.

**Thank you.**

**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)

**HEALTH AND SAFETY:** The Diocese require us to have a record of those who hold keys to the Church, the Hall, the Gates and the Presbytery. This is an Insurance stipulation. There is currently no record at all in the Parish office of keyholders. If you have keys to any of these, please email the office at: [braintree@brcdt.org](mailto:braintree@brcdt.org) and we can put together a comprehensive list. If you no longer need keys, please can you return them to Clare in the office. **Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.**

## LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

<b>THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (C)</b>		
Saturday 11th January	6.00pm	Ints Bill
Sunday 12th January	9.00am	Thanksgiving for Blessings and fulfilling our wishes (Liju & Family)
	11.00am	Deborah Pannell RIP (Maureen)
Monday 13th January	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tuesday 14th January	9.30am	Dennis Gale RIP (B'day) (Pauline) & Jane McKeown RIP (A) (Bill)
Wednesday 15th January	9.30am	Ints Cindy and Family
Thursday 16th January	9.30am	Thanksgiving for all Blessings (Alovi and Ovinda) & John and Doris Jakens RIP (Burford)
Friday 17th January <b>St Antony, Ab</b>	9.30am	John Symonds RIP (A) (Catherine Coates) & Stephen Tate RIP (A) (Geraldine)
<b>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) (Peace Day)</b>	6.00pm	Ints Ruth and Martin Barlow & Family (The Digby Family)
Saturday 18th January	9.00am	Andrew George Manson RIP (A) (Church Ladies)
Sunday 19th January	11.00am	Ints Maureen O'Grady (Mohan)