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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday – Friday 9.45 – 10.15am (when there is no Funeral Mass)

Saturday 11.30am – 12 noon

Confessions in the Old Sacristy – near the Sacred Heart shrine

Mass now celebrated in public and the church is open during Mass.

It is still being broadcast on the parish Facebook page. You don't have to join Facebook to watch. Google "Our Lady of Grace Chingford Facebook videos" or type in this address: www.facebook.com/OLGStTAParish/

Mass Intentions Saturday 19th - 27th December 2020

Saturday	6pm	Angela Barrett RIP (Fitzgerald)	<i>Sunday Vigil</i>
Sunday 20th	8.30am	Rita & Augustin Reka (Reka)	<u>4th Sunday of Advent Year B</u>
	10.30am	Patrick Courtney (anniv) (Family)	
	6pm	Bishop Jacek Grzybowski Ints	
Monday	9.15am	People of the Parish	
Tuesday	9.15am	L Balls, M Mahoney, Balls & Mahoney families (Found)	
Wednesday	9.15am	Michael Fox(anniv) (Dyer)	
Thursday	4pm	Fr Jean-Laurent Marie (Ints)	<u>Vigil Mass for Christmas</u>
	6pm	Children of the Parish	<u>Vigil Mass for Christmas</u>
	10pm	Deceased Parishioners	<u>"Midnight" Mass for Christmas</u>
Friday	8.30am	Fr Francis Coveney (Ints)	<u>Mass for Christmas Day</u>
	10.30am	People of the Parish	
Saturday	6pm	Holy Souls	<i>Sunday Vigil</i>
Sunday 27th	8.30am	Myles Nolan (anniv) (Ogles)	<u>Holy Family Year B</u>
	10.30am	Marisol Mecedal RIP (O'Donnell)	
	6pm	People of the Parish	

Sick or housebound parishioners and former parishioners:

Elisabeth Abbott, Craig Allison, June Allison, Sue Allison, Terri Arend, Jackie Ayers, Caitlin Barrett, Jim Broderick, Tom Tom Cahill, Andy Chipperfield, Bridie Conlon, Lena Costello, Tommy & Joan Darcy, Jodie Denver, Morris & Celia Duranti, Catherine Emmerson (nee Freeman), Mary Enright, Antonia Evans, Mercy Fernandez, Sylvia Ford, Mary George, Rikki Gill, Jackie Hill, Peter Hastie, Teresa Hoban, Maureen Jayes, Simone Jones, Martin Keay, Della Kerr, Maureen Kerrigan, Louise Lecointe, Thelma Lizarondo, Maria Ludwig, Anne Manning, Fr Jean-Laurent Marie, Pat Marshall, Margaret Metcalfe, Jada Miller-Lewis, Brian O'Donnell, Charlie O'Donnell, Noreen O'Shea, Maxine Pereira, Kathleen Petterson, Ana Pitts, Brigit Radcliffe, Joe & Janr Robinson, Caroline Simpson, David Sparks, Samantha Sparks, Katie Stringer, Marianne Tarrant, Sharon Taylor, Renata Wallis & Ellen Williamson.

Last weekend The Mass Attendance last weekend was 266. The main collection was £571.36 (envelopes £328.50 loose £242.86). Thank you all very much indeed.

Standing Orders.

We are also most grateful to all parishioners who support the parish by Standing Orders. There are Standing Order Forms in the South Porch of the church for anyone who would also like to support the parish in this way

Our Lady of Grace & St Teresa of Avila Parish Newsletter

Parish Priest

Fr Francis Coveney

Fr Jean Laurent Marie (in residence)

Sunday 20th December 2020

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4th Sunday in Advent - Year B



"I am the handmaid of the Lord, said Mary, let what you have said be done to me." Luke

Readings

2 Samuel 7:1-5.8-12.14-16 Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38

Psalm 88

My soul rejoices in my God

Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the handmaid of the Lord:
let what you have said be done to me. Alleluia!

Weekday Morning Prayer

Psalter Week 4

Lectionary: Sundays (Cycle B); Weekdays Advent week 4 (Year 1)

For more information see:

<http://universalis.com/>

Name of child.....

Date of birth.....

Signature of parent.....

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Given the extraordinary circumstances, this year there will be **TWO Vigil Masses for Christmas – at 4pm & 6pm.** But you can only come to EITHER of these Masses if you have booked.

PLEASE NOTE: Both the 4pm & the 6pm Masses are now fully booked.

Confirmation of your bookings have now been made.

A seating plan has been prepared for both Masses.

You do NOT need to book for the other Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve 10pm

Christmas Day 8.30am & 10.30am

Please arrive at least 15 minutes before ALL CHRISTMAS MASSES

CRIB OFFERINGS

Your Crib Offerings will be given to support the work of the **Brentwood Catholic Children's Society** – which helps so many children Catholic & non-Catholic alike in our Diocese of Brentwood.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Phyllis Attard who has died. Her Funeral Mass will be on Wednesday 30 December at 11am followed by burial in Malta.

Anne Masterson who has died. Her Funeral Mass will be on Friday 8 January at 12 noon followed by burial in Chingford Mount Cemetery.

May they rest in peace.

FR FRANCIS WRITES

SVP Christmas Appeal 2020

Once again, despite the problems we have all faced, parishioners of Our Lady of Grace have been extremely generous with their donations both of Christmas Fayre and of cash.

As a result members of the parish's Society of St Vincent de Paul (the SVP) have been working extremely hard making up Christmas Hampers and then delivering them to families in our area.

We are truly blessed to have parishioners who are so generous in giving both material goods and cash – and also in giving so generously of their time in the service of others.

I am humbled by the generosity and dedication of so many good people in our parish.

St James wrote "Pure unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the aid of orphans & widows when they need it, & keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world." (James 1:27)

Good News from Poland

I'm sure many of you remember Fr Jacek ("Jack") Grzybowski who was here with Fr Dominik for Holy Week 2019 – even if (like me) you cannot pronounce his surname! Fr Jacek is now **BISHOP JACEK**. He was ordained Bishop on Saturday 19 December in Warsaw and is now one of the Auxiliary Bishops of Warsaw.

Good News from London

Fr Jean-Laurent had an operation on Friday to remove two small tumours from his lung. I have phoned him and he passes on his thanks for your prayers and hopes to be back in Chingford before Christmas.

Christmas Offerings

By tradition, Christmas Offerings are your personal gift to the parish clergy. This year I shall, of course, be sharing them with Fr Jean-Laurent Marie.

CHINGFORD CATHOLIC YOUTH

CHOIR: Wed 23 December.

George Ford, our organist & Director of Music, continues the singing & music lessons for our young choristers from 5.15pm to 6pm remotely by **Zoom**.

CATECHESIS FOR SACRAMENTS 2020-21

First Holy Communion 2020/21 (Y3)

A new preparation programme for FHC and First Confession continues on **Saturday 9 January 2021.**

Any questions please e-mail Julian Ferreira firsteucharist@julianferreira.com

Confirmation Programme 2020/21

for young people (Y10+)

Bishop Alan Williams will be visiting the parish on Sunday 20 June 2021 to celebrate Confirmation.

To enrol please visit

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/Personal259/OurLadyOfGraceConfirmationEnrolment2021>

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Thank you to all the parents who have applied for a Certificate of Catholic Practice. **And thank you for your patience!** All the applications have been processed and posted. I have kept copies of all the certificates.

The closing date for applications for a place in the Reception Class in St Mary's School in Sept 2021 is 15 January 2021.

ST MARY'S SCHOOL

Deputy Headteacher Required:

Foundation and KS1 Lead/SENDco for April 2021 or September 2021

Further details & application form available on www.stmaryschingford.com

Closing Date: 29 January 2021 (12 noon)

Interview Date: 9 & 10 February

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ASK YOUR MP TO OPPOSE

ASSISTED SUICIDE

The assisted suicide lobby have launched a new campaign to lobby the Government to introduce assisted suicide.

Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which for you to email your MP asking hom/her to request the Government to resist these demands.

It only takes 30 seconds to save countless lives. Please email your MP by visiting:

<https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>

15 PRAYERS OF ST BRIDGET

During Advent please visit

<https://www.jhealer.com/the-15-prayers>

Here you can learn more about this devotion & listen to the prayers set to contemporary classical music.

THANK YOU - ALL PARISHIONERS

Most parishioners will have noticed that we now have **live streaming of Mass** – and there are also **new CCTV cameras** to safeguard our church as well as **new loudspeakers** outside both the south and the west doors of the church.

It is only possible to make these improvements with your generous help.

So special thanks to all parishioners who have recently made generous donations to Parish Funds.

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