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## SUNDAY 24TH JANUARY

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	23RD	10:00	The Blessed Virgin Mary	<i>Memorial</i>	Sylvia Kelly RIP
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>24th</b>	<b>18:00</b>	<b>Third Sunday</b>	<b><i>Solemnity</i></b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>24TH</b>	<b>08:30</b>	<b>Third Sunday</b>	<b><i>Solemnity</i></b>	Marian O’Malley
		<b>10:00</b>	<b>Third Sunday</b>	<b><i>Solemnity</i></b>	Pro Populo
		<b>12:00</b>	<b>Third Sunday</b>	<b><i>Solemnity</i></b>	
MONDAY	25th		NO MASS		
TUESDAY	26th	10:00	Sts Timothy & Titus	<i>Memorial</i>	Ashley Rita
WEDNESDAY	27th	10:00	St Angela Merici	<i>Memorial</i>	Thomas Gannon RIP
THURSDAY	28th	10:00	St Thomas Aquinas	<i>Memorial</i>	Angele Falle
FRIDAY	29th	10:00	Feria	<i>Feria</i>	Adam RIP
SATURDAY	30th	10:00	The Blessed Virgin Mary	<i>Memorial</i>	Maureen Reid RIP

**CONFESSIONS:** SATURDAY: 5PM - 6PM IN THE HALL

**CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER:** WEDS: 4-6, SAT: 4-6.



**We pray for Joscelyn Ferdinand Haughton-James who died recently** and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. We pray for all who are working to ensure that the vaccination programme runs smoothly; for those administering the vaccine, those training them, those in charge of logistics and those transporting the supplies. We also pray for all who may feel exhausted and under pressure: may they be helped to go on.

Have you heard of St Angela Merici? Maybe your answer is “no”. Have you heard of the Ursuline Convent Girls’ School? I’d imagine your answer is “yes”: there’s one in Brentwood and (closer to home) in Wimbledon. St Angela’s passion for educating girls in the Catholic faith was noticed around the time of the Counter-Reformation and the zeal of her twelve sisters whom she chose to fulfil her noble ambition, kept many within the family of the Church at a time when apostasy was commonplace. What was the key to her success? I’m keen on reading biographies and I think the popularity of this type of literature is that we’re curious about people who’ve succeeded. How did they do it? What am I doing wrong and how can I be more successful? If we were to apply these questions to the life of St Angela we learn something surprising and inspiring. Her choice of a patron saint for her Order (St Ursula) and her choice to be buried in the habit of St Francis of Assisi reveals a great devotion to the saints. She sincerely believed that - before her own efforts - the prayers of the saints and the power of God is that which brings about success or fruitfulness: leads souls to Christ. May the example of her faith - which was the engine of her charity - inspire all who find it a struggle to teach at this time.

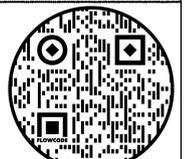
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## PARISH NEWS

**CARDINAL NICHOLS ON RECEIVING THE VACCINE:** The Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, [tweeted yesterday](#) a selfie of him receiving the COVID Vaccine. He reminded all of the importance of our getting vaccinated in order to protect not only ourselves but those around us. I'm pleased to hear from many in our 80+ group of parishioners the good news that they have received their second dose! It's a great testament to the industriousness of our health care workers; doctors and nurses in the local area, that so many have been vaccinated. Statistics reveal a significant number of individuals who are reluctant to be vaccinated. It is important to remind ourselves that there are **no ethical problems** with taking the vaccine and that - in choosing to do so - we are loving ourselves and our neighbour. I do hope you'll all be called to receive yours soon!

**OUR RELIGIOUS SISTERS:** In our Parish Council Meeting this past week Sr Ann - one of our Cenacle Sisters - pointed out that I'd inadvertently deleted the addresses of our parish sisters from the Newsletter 🙄! I reassured her that this was an oversight but I'm glad to now restore their phone numbers to our front page. The sisters in our parish do wonderful work; providing help and support within our midst in so many ways. We give thanks for their presence among us and keep them in our prayers at this time. They are always willing to provide support and direction and - if you need someone to speak to in these lonely times - they are willing to encourage you in your faith. Do call!

**HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY IN LAMBETH:** This year it takes place [online](#) and you are warmly invited to attend. I understand our choir normally sings at this event. We pray for our Jewish brothers and sisters and pray that all racist violence come to an end across the world in our time.

**“LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY!”** This period of lockdown is not easy. It has affected our lives in many ways and may have exposed how difficult we find it to pray. In preparation for the season of Lent - in which we're invited to go deeper in our prayer lives - I will give a talk on the subject of prayer. It will be possible to come (with a limited number of places available as per Sunday Mass) and worship in front of the Blessed Sacrament. It will be streamed live via YouTube and Facebook.

**The talk will take place on Wednesday 10th February at 7pm.** Please Save The Date! I will link to the booking system in the Newsletter when bookings go live. I look forward to our being together in person and online as we spend time together asking the Lord Jesus to teach us and help us do what He prioritised while on earth and calls us to do in order that we may grow in His love.

**WORSHIPPING SAFELY TOGETHER:** The Sunday obligation continues to be suspended and you are not obliged to come to Mass. If you are clinically vulnerable you should stay at home!

**WEEKDAY MORNING CHURCH OPENING, ADORATION AND MASS:** In this period of lockdown I have adjusted our midweek schedule. There is no need to book for weekday adoration, private prayer or Mass. All are welcome to join with us in prayer! **Mass will be at 10am.**

MONDAYS:	CLOSED	
TUESDAYS TO FRIDAYS:	Adoration (9am-10am)	Mass (10am)
SATURDAYS:	No Adoration	Mass (10am)
WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS:	Private Prayer (4pm-6pm)	