

CONFESSIONS Saturday after morning mass until 11:15am and
before the vigil mass from 5:30-6:15pm

MASS INTENTIONS 24th June–2nd July 2023

Saturday 24th	6.30pm	(vigil) Lorenzo Edwards Thanksgiving
Sunday 25th June 2023 12th Sunday of the Year (A)	8.30am	Jean Barker RIP
	10.00am	Eric Zeta Thanksgiving
	12 Noon	People of the Parish
	3.00pm	Spanish Mass
	4.30pm	Tamil Mass
	6.30pm 7.30pm	Solemn Holy Hour Mass
Monday 26th Feria	7.45am	Edwina Cunningham Thanksgiving
	10.00am	George & Margaret Antony RIP Mrs Henry Thanksgiving & Marie Dominique RIP
Tuesday 27th Feria	7.45am	Thomas & Edwina Cunningham Thanksgiving
	10.00am	Marian Nicholas Thanksgiving
	8.00pm	St Anthony's Novena
Wednesday 28th St Irenaeus	7.45am	Ethel Maud Perry RIP
	10.00am	Leslie Smith RIP Dennis Castellás & Lily MacFarlane
Thursday 29th Ss Peter & Paul Holy Day of Obligation	7.45am	Dulcie Castellás
	10.00am	Peter James Cunningham
	7.30pm	Margaret Edwards RIP
Friday 30th Feria	7.45am	Thiruchelvam RIP
	10.00am	Irene & Augustus Francis RIP
Saturday 1st July Feria	10.00am	Michael Tucker Intentions
	6.30pm	(vigil) Ewart Jeremiah Rodney
Sunday 2nd July 2023 13th Sunday of the Year (A)	8.30am	Les & Max Francis RIP
	10.00am	People of the Parish
	12 Noon	Philomena Costa Intentions
	3.00pm	Spanish Mass
	6.30pm	Solemn Holy Hour
	7.30pm	Mass

**We pray for the SICK of our Parish, Families & Friends– and all at home
or in hospital, and all who care for our sick.**

ST ANTONY'S CHURCH FOREST GATE

25th June 2023

Twelfth Sunday of the Year A

Our First Reading today is from *Jeremiah 20:10-13*: Jeremiah expresses confidence that the Lord will protect him. The **Responsorial Psalm** is taken from *Psalms 69*: God responds to the prayers of those in need.

This week's **Second Reading** is *Romans 5:12-15*: Sin came into the world through one person; so salvation came through one person for many.

This Sunday's **Gospel Reading** is from *Matthew 10:26-33*: Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them.

This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today. In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children. We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavour to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

Family BBQ Saturday July 1st

On Saturday July 1st from 12 noon, there will be a Family BBQ on the friary lawn. All are welcome. We will end the afternoon with a family rosary on the friary lawn around 3:30-4pm. Please bring meat to be grilled or food and drink to shared. (If bringing meats please bring them as early as possible as grilling begins at about 11am). As weather will probably be warm, water and drinks especially welcome.

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Overflow - Saturday 1st July at Bethel Convention Centre, Birmingham.

Come and join us for a wonderful day out with hundreds of Catholics so that 'you my overflow with hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.' (Rom 15:13). People are gathering from all over England and Wales to pray, hear inspiring talks and get to know one another as we ask for God's blessing on England and Wales. We have arranged a coach for people coming from London and Essex, leaving from and returning to Brentwood Cathedral so we can travel together. If you are interested or want to book please visit: ccr.org.uk/articles/ov...

If you cannot make this event but would like to know about events like this please sign up to TTime.flocknote.com/Br...

The next Baptismal Preparation Course—Will be on Saturday 1st July 2023 and begins at 12.00 Noon promptly in St Francis Hall. Parents who wish to have their children Baptised must attend the Baptismal Preparation course. You will be asked to provide a copy of your Baptismal certificate and also your Godparents Baptismal Certificate which must include details of Confirmation.

Year 13 Retreat at Walsingham House: Made for a purpose.

Will you be in Yr13 in September 2023? Are you currently making decisions about your next steps? Would you like some time to step back, reflect, pray and think about the different pathways ahead of you? Then if so, the Yr13 retreat at Walsingham House is just the opportunity to do that. There will be two retreats on offer, either 13th-15th Sept or 22nd-24th Sept. The cost is £35 and there is more information on the website www.bcys.net/events/ or email clairebailey@brcdt.org

St John's RC Special School, Woodford Bridge

Is recruiting for a Secretary/Administrator who will be responsible for our students annual review meetings. Previous experience within a secretarial role is essential, hours 9am-4pm Monday to Friday term time only for a job description and application form please contact the school office on 020 8504 1818 or email office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk Successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

St Francis Exhibition National Gallery

DON'T MISS. The National Gallery (Trafalgar Square) is currently showing an exhibition about St Francis of Assisi. It shows many beautiful depictions of this great Saint through the ages. Free entry. Showing until the 30th of July. It is a highly recommended visit, from all those who have been to see it.

SS Peter & Paul—Holy Day of Obligation—Thursday 29th June 2023

Masses : 7.45am: 10.00am: 7.30pm

PARISH GIFT AID SCHEME

If you are a member of the parish Gift Aid Scheme, and you would like a copy of the end of year letter giving details of how much you have donated and the amount of tax being reclaimed please contact the parish office.

If your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay tax or enough tax to cover the amount being claimed please contact the parish office, it is important that you let us know, as we will be submitting our claim at the end of June.

Email: forestgate@brcdt.org

Please contact the parish office if you change your name or address, so we can update our records.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 'On Sunday 9th of July after all masses We will be having a bake sale to fundraiser for upcoming trip to world youth day !

Please come along with spare change and support. '

Fr John Jesus' Surgery—Fr John's next surgery, where he will be available to meet with people will be on Tuesday 4th July, between 4pm-5pm.

Holy Land Pilgrimages 2024 - Dear Friends, a pilgrimage to the Holy Land powerfully brings the Bible to life. In 2024 there will be 2 pilgrimages from St Antony's led by Fr. John in the footsteps of Christ.

⇒ There will be a Young Adult (age 18-40) one (February 21-28) and a pilgrimage open to all in May (May 14-21). This pilgrimage in May, will be a joint pilgrimage between St. Antony's and St. Margaret's in Canning Town led by me, Fr John Jesus and Fr. Tony Grant.

⇒ The Young Adult pilgrimage in February will entail a lot of walking, hiking on very difficult terrain, and that is why it is only open to younger people.

There are flyers at the back of the Church and All Saints Travel website - www.allsaintstravel.co.uk - for more information.

I hope you can join us. It will be the best decision of your life!

Peter's Pence—There will be a second collection for Peter's Pence next weekend, 1st/2nd July 2023.

Thank you for your continued support

- **online donations link:** <https://stream.seccomgroup.com/donations/saop>
- **Donations can be made parish web-site www.stantonyforestgate.com**
- Payment direct into the parish bank account using online banking
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