



## St. Paul's Church, Cheshunt

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### 7/8 JANUARY 2023 BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR A

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>7th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>		Ann Neary RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>		Opara Family I(nt.)
		<b>11.00am</b>		People of The Parish
<b>Monday</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	St. Basil	Bernadith Gerio RIP
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Feria	Kathleen& Barney McDaid
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>11th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Feria	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>13th</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	Benediction & Epiphany	
			<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time Year A</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>		
		<b>9.00 am</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>		
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30-pm or telephone the presbytery for an appointment</b>				

**We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Barbara Bassett, Barbara Alexander and for those who have no one to care for them. We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially for those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Wicktoria Wos.**

### SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7 Here is my servant, in whom my soul delights

**Second Reading:** Acts 10:34-38 God had anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 3:13-17 'This is my Son, the Beloved'

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- Celebrating Baptism

Even though Jesus was baptised by John as an adult and we received Christian baptism as children, our baptism was also a day of new beginning for us. On that day we were launched on the great adventure of becoming disciples of Jesus in our own time. On that day, we too were given an assurance of God's love and favour, and we too were empowered by the Holy Spirit for the journey ahead of us. On that day we were caught up into Jesus' own very special relationship with God and we became a member of Jesus' family of disciples, the church. It is a moment of grace that has the potential to shape our lives in a very fundamental way, in a way that is in keeping with God's purpose for our lives.

### WESTMINSTER YEAR BOOK

The Westminster Year Book for 2023 is now available from the back of the Church priced £4.50. Get a copy for yourself. **Visit the crib today. Donate at the crib for Catholic Children Society.**

### SPUC'S WHITE FLOWER APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

SPUC's mission is to save the lives of the unborn babies and to protect women from abortion. Every new life is a wonderful gift from God and every baby is loved and cherished by God from the first moment of his or her existence. SPUC works to build a society which reflects this unconditional love that God has for every one of us. And we want to create a society which cherishes motherhood and helps parents to do the best for their children. Please let us support the work of SPUC by praying for them and give generously to support them. Contact SPUC on 02070917091 or visit their website ([WWW.SPUC.ORG.UK](http://WWW.SPUC.ORG.UK))

### **CHRISTMAS MEAL AT ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH**

The Parish is hosting a Christmas meal for its Senior Citizens and the housebound on Saturday 14th January 2023 at 1.00pm. If you would like to attend or know of anyone who would like to come along, please give names and details to the Parish Office before Wednesday 4th January 2023. If you would like to help on the day with preparing, cooking or serving the meal, please contact the St Joseph's Parish Office 01992 623156.

### **VISIT THE REPOSITORY TODAY**

The church Repository, in the room to the left of the 'crying room', **will be open after 11.00 am Mass this weekend** It has been restocked with a range of Sympathy and Mass cards and calendars. Lyn Brillus will be on hand to take orders for items such as rosaries, statues, candles etc which can be seen in a catalogue. Please note that payment can only be made with cash.

### **WARM SPACES PROJECT**

St Joseph's church are providing a warm space in the Meeting Room in the Parish Centre each Monday. It's open from 10.00am –3.30pm. They are offering hot drinks as well as a soup and sandwich lunch. They still need volunteers to help prepare the refreshments and to chat with the people who come along. There are three volunteer sessions each day. 9.30am –12 noon; 11.30am – 2.00pm; 1.30pm – 4.00pm. If you are able to help please contact the Parish Office at St Joseph's on 01992 623156 or email [walthamcross@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:walthamcross@rcdow.org.uk).

### **ST PAUL'S SCHOOL NURSERY**

The school has spaces in their Nursery for mid-year admissions. They now take children from the term after they turn 3 years old. For more information, please contact the school office [admin@stpauls373.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stpauls373.herts.sch.uk) or 01992 635060.

### **CATHOLIC PRIMARY ADMISSIONS 2023**

St Pauls Catholic Primary School, Park Lane, Cheshunt, EN7 6LR website: <https://stpauls-herts.secure-dbprimary.com> and St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Royal Avenue, Waltham Cross, EN8 7EN website: <https://www.stjosephsherts.uk>

**For both schools**, you must apply for a school place online. The online application process for Under 11s (Reception) commenced on Tuesday 1st November 2022 and will close on **Sunday 15th January 2023** on the following website [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions)

**Reception 2023** applies to children born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019.

As well as applying online to Hertfordshire you need to complete a **Supplementary Information Form** which should be sent into the office of the schools to which you are applying together with any supporting documentation.

### **ST PAULS CATHOLIC PRIMARY ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS 2024-25**

The Governing Body of St Paul's Catholic Primary School and Nursery is currently determining proposed admission arrangements for admissions to the school in **September 2024**, they are required to consult on these arrangements and are inviting comments. A copy of the proposed admissions policy is available on their website at <https://stpauls-herts.secure-dbprimary.com/herts/primary/stpauls/site/pages/importantdocuments/admissions/admissions2024-2025>.

There are changes to the oversubscription arrangements. If you wish to comment on the proposed admissions arrangements, please send your response in writing for the attention of Mrs Worton-Geer either by post or [emailadmin@stpauls373.herts.sch.uk](mailto:emailadmin@stpauls373.herts.sch.uk) by 20 January 2023.

### **MARRIAGE CARE**

Willing to help couples forge a lifelong loving relationship? Marriage Care is a charity that runs marriage preparation courses for couples marrying in a Catholic church, and is looking for new course facilitators. Training is provided and volunteers will join the local Centre. More information can be found at: <https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/mpcf/>

### **APPRECIATION**

Thank you for your continuous support to the Parish in these challenging times. especially to our stewards and all of you, for your generous giving to the Parish.

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