

Parish Announcements and Events!

Do you want to know more about the Catholic FAITH? Are you Missing a Sacrament? Are you Interested in Becoming Catholic? RCIA sessions are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 5pm in the Church. Next Session will be on 21st March 2026.

NEXT Baptism Course for parents:

At St Vincent's Parish with Fr Riq, Vivek and Jessica.

The date for the Baptism course evening will be this **Wednesday 15th April at 7.00pm** here in our Parish Church. Please email the Office for more Information **Becontree@brcdt.org**

Upcoming Parish Events and Celebrations in 2026!

Mothering Sunday Tea and Desserts Sunday 15th March after masses.

St Patrick's Day Evening Mass and Celebration Tuesday 17th March at 7pm.

Children's Easter Party Sunday 5th April at 10:15am.

Father's Day BBQ Sunday 21st June after masses.

Rite of Acceptance for Confirmation Candidates which takes place annually on Good Shepherd Sunday. As our Parish is not due to receive a pastoral visit from Bishop Alan this year, our Confirmation group has been invited to attend Brentwood Cathedral for a service and meeting with the Bishop at 3pm on Sunday 26th April. This is mandatory for all confirmation candidates.

Our Parish Groups and Weekly Activities:

Bible Study Group: **Tuesdays at 7pm and Sundays at 6pm**

Prayer Group: **Wednesdays at 7pm**

General Choir Rehearsal: **Mondays at 7pm**

Please come and get involved in any of the groups for your own spiritual growth.

School Hall hire

Please note that **St Vincent's School Hall** is now available to hire for clubs in the evening and on a Saturday. If you, or someone you know is interested, please enquire at the school office: **02082706695**.

Friday Night at the Films during Lent!

Only one episode of **The Chosen** will be shown every Friday at 6pm during Lent, also we will only have soup and bread followed by Stations of the Cross immediately after. Come and join our community.

A Humble Reminder on How to Receive Holy Communion:

We are called to maintain reverence to the Most Holy Eucharist; therefore, we are kindly reminded:

- Please refrain from chewing gum prior to approaching the altar for holy communion.
- Please receive the Sacred Host with both hands or directly on the tongue; do not grasp with fingers.
- The Sacred host **MUST** be consumed immediately in the front before returning to your seat.
- Please approach and depart with reverence, mindful of the Real Presence of Christ in the Church.

Parking Tickets:

Please note that there are traffic wardens patrolling the area. Park in the parking bays, otherwise you may be issued with a parking ticket.

St. Vincent's Parish Building projects needed:

1. Boiler basement needs to be treated for black mould.
2. Front church doors need to be changed with Fire Push door opening handles.
3. Fire alarms and signs need to be placed and installed.
6. Church floors need to be professionally polished in order to extend their life span.
7. Repair of recently discovered cracks in the front of the church wall.
8. Presbytery house dining room to have a built extension outwards into a multi-use meeting room for parish use, as we don't have a parish hall.
9. Ashes garden of remembrance needs to be revitalised and beautified.
10. The current leftover loan debt from Fr Pat Salmon's (RIP) chapel build is at £15.000, which is the reason that we are not allowed to get any further funding for any new works.

CATHOLIC PARISH OF SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

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New Website: **StVincent-Becontree.co.uk** & our Facebook and YouTube Channel

Parish Mobile: **07759643394** (for WhatsApp Group Chat and EMERGENCIES)

OFFICE HOURS – Tuesday to Friday from 10am -12md or by APPOINTMENT ONLY.

Mrs. Helen Craft, Headteacher
St Vincent's Primary School 02082706695



22.02.26 – 1st Sunday of Lent, Yr A–Missal P.122

(We say all the psalm together if not sung)

R. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned!

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your merciful love. according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Wash me completely from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

My transgressions, truly I know them; my sin is always before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done **R.**

Create a pure heart for me, O God; renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence; take not your holy spirit from me. **R.**

Restore in me the joy of your salvation; sustain in me a willing spirit. O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall proclaim your praise. **R.**



The 1st Sunday of Lent brings us into the story of Jesus in the desert. He fasts for forty days and is tempted by the devil. But Jesus stays faithful. He trusts God and chooses what is right. This reading reminds us that Lent is a time to turn away from sin and follow Jesus more closely.

WEEKLY MASSES & INTENTIONS

Sunday 22 nd February 1 st Sunday in Lent, Yr A	9am Mass	Christine Prudent (RIP)
	12 Noon Mass	Divine Mercy Thanksgiving (Sp Int Graham Family))
Monday 23 rd February St Polycarp	NO MASS	Fr Riq's Mental Health Day Off. Office Closed
Tuesday 24 th February Feria	9am Rosary & Mass	Raymond Edwards (B'day Thanksgiving)
Wednesday 25 th February Feria	9:30am Mass 7pm Mass	Romana Edwards (B'day Thanksgiving)
Thursday 26 th February Feria	9am Novena & Mass	Steff Owino (RIP)
Friday 27 th February St. Gregory of Narek	9:15am Mass with School Children 7pm Stations of the Cross	Pupils and staff of St Vincent Primary (Sp Int)
Saturday 28 st February St Gregory Narek	3pm CONFESSIONS	In the Chapel
	4pm Sunday Vigil Mass (Healing)	Stella Cook (Birthday Thanksgiving)
Sunday 1 st March 2 nd Sunday in Lent	9am Mass	Rose Chopra (RIP)
	12 Noon Mass	Susan Wee (RIP)

MASS INTENTIONS are needed **URGENTLY** please, **FOR WEEKDAY MASSES!**

Please take a Parish envelope in the back of the Church, fill the form and bring it back ASAP if you would like to offer a Mass.

Parish Collection Sunday 15th February

Gift Aid: £188.00+ Loose Plate: £315.55 = Total: £503.55

NO CASH is kept on Church premises!

Thank you for your generosity and continual support.

Can you help us, please?

We are hoping for our St Vincent's parishioners to help us with a donation of **£3 or MORE £ EACH WEEK** for the offertory collection during our Sunday Masses.

This will truly help us greatly especially with parish repairs, projects, children's activities and parties.

Thanks in advance for your kindness and generosity.

***We now have **livestreaming services through our YouTube Channel.**

This ministry is specially for the sick and housebound or unable to attend mass.

Thanks! Blessings! ***

We continuously PRAY for those Parishioners who are sick and housebound. Please email the Parish Office with names of those in need of prayers.



Please note that CCTV is in use in and around the church