



# St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

*Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians*

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**Third Sunday in Ord Time**

**24th January 2021**



*“The Word of God is life-giving.”*

The relationship between the Risen Lord, a Community of Believers, and Sacred Scripture is essential to who we are as Christians.

This Sunday is a time when the community is called to give greater attention not just to the Word of God. It is also urged to reflect on how we honour that Word in our celebrations, the books that we proclaim the Word from. Is it a well-made book that shows forth its life-giving content? Are the readers who proclaim the Word formed in the art of proclamation, and the knowledge of what they are announcing?

We often identify the Bible as the Word of God. This is not wrong, but God speaks to our hearts in many different ways. For instance, he speaks to us in prayer and through our conscience, and often through other people. Hence, the Word of God covers much more than a printed book. Nevertheless, the Bible is the privileged collection of communications between God and his people. These stories and poems have nourished the lives of the people of Israel and the Christian Church right through the centuries, and they continue to nourish us today. They tell the story of God's love and our salvation from ancient times onwards. The scriptural texts offer us both challenge and encouragement

for our lives, and are especially valuable to us through the hope they offer us at dark moments.

Fr Thomas Malal, SDS

## YOUR MASSES

**Sunday Readings Year B: Weekday Readings Year 1**

Monday: **The Conversion of St Paul**  
**No Public Mass**

Tuesday: **Ss Timothy & Titus, Bishops**  
7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass

Wednesday: **St Angela Merici, Virgin**  
7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass

Thursday: **St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor**  
7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass

Friday: 7:30 & 10.00am: Public Mass

**Saturday: 10.00am & 6pm: Public Mass**

**Sunday: 4th Sunday Ord T (8:15; 11:00; 12:45)**

**Both Saturday Masses count for a Sunday Mass**

**After Christmas celebration, no booking system is needed. Just walk in the church for masses.**

Here is the link to St. Joseph Church's Facebook page, you do not need a Facebook login to access: <https://www.facebook.com/catholicwealdstone/>

## Sanctuary Lamp Intentions



Two lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Saturday to Saturday. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each.

1. James McVann+(5th anniversary)
2. Croft family intentions

### Water Damage in Choir Loft

For some time now we have had a problem with rain coming into the bell tower and as a consequence into the organ loft. There is clearly a problem on the roof of the bell tower and as you can appreciate access to this is very difficult. We have looked into the possibility of getting scaffolding erected but this is quite expensive and is only a temporary solution. The advice of the experts in roofing works is to have some proper galvanised stairs and platform installed in the bell tower to allow us permanent access to the roof. The cost of having this built is going to be approximately £9,000 (EPHMETALWORKS LTD). Once we have gained access to the roof above the bell tower we will then be able to assess what work needs doing to resolve the problem of the water leak.

Although this seems an excessive amount it is a one off payment that will become a permanent solution and will remove the need for renting scaffolding when we have a problem on the roof. We anticipate that work will begin shortly. If you wish to make a contribution towards the cost of this project we would be most grateful. Offerings can be made via the usual church collection or you may post this separately in an envelope marked 'Church Roofing Project'. Thank you in advance for any help you can give. We will keep you updated as the work progresses.

### Parish Office Opening Hours

Please note that due to Covid 19, the office is currently closed on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Opening hours are: **Mondays 9am-2pm, Wednesdays 9am-2pm** and **Fridays 9am-4pm**. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by these reduced hours.

### Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to arrange a baptism. Following government guidelines 6 people can attend, including the baby.

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**We often look for God in the momentous when he is waiting for us in the moment**

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### Pope's Intention for January

We pray that the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

### Rosary Intention for January

Reconciliation for families and return to the faith.

### First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2021

We are pleased to announce that we have found online courses which will provide excellent instruction for both Sacraments. We hope to be able to include some 'Zoom' sessions to help guide and support all candidates through this process. The starting dates for both courses will be published in the bulletin shortly.



### Thank You

We continue to be enormously grateful to all our cleaners and stewards for keeping the church clean and safe for everyone. Thank you also to our Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ben and Dominic (our organists) for their contribution to the liturgy. We are also grateful to Maureen for the beautiful flower arrangements and to the team of ladies who take care of the church linens. Holy Mass will be offered for your intentions.

### Recently Deceased

*Margaret Holder* (mother of Angela and grandmother of Syrus). Funeral: Monday 1st February at 12 noon followed by cremation at Golders Green Crematorium.

*Kevin Briody* (husband to Debbie and father to Thomas, Joe, Caitlin & Niamh). Funeral: Wednesday 3rd February at 11.30am followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

*Sara Howlett* (daughter of Madeline and the late Chris Howlett). Funeral: Tuesday 9th February, time to be confirmed.

*Barbara Kowin (Shelley).*

*May they rest in peace*

