

### MASS INTENTIONS

Mon 10:00am Peace on Earth  
Tues 10:00am Private Intention  
Weds 10:00am Liturgy of the Word  
Thurs 10:00am Christian Unity  
Fri 10:00am Holy Souls  
Sat 06:00pm People of the Parish  
Sun 08:30am Intention of Lucy  
10:00am Intention of Saul  
12:00noon Intention of Catholic  
Women's Organisation

### Fr Jack

We use incense at Mass to recognise the presence of God in four unique ways. When the people are gathered for Mass the priest says, "The Lord is with you." God is present in his **people**. Where two or three are gathered in my name I am with them.

The people reply, "And also with you." God is present in the **priest**. Hence people and priests are incensed.

The Book of the Gospel is incensed, because God is present in **his word**. And finally, and par excellence Jesus is present in the species of bread and wine in the **Eucharist**.

So in church we use incense rising to God as a sign of our prayer and sweet smelling so hopefully our prayers are pleasing to God.

Falling down is how we grow. Staying down is how we die.

### Parish Council

I would like to revamp the Parish Council. If you are interested in being a member, please let me know. Otherwise I will have to pick a few people and I can be accused of cronyism and this is not the model of church either I or anyone else wants to promote.

### Catholic Women Organisation (CWO)

On Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> Jan the CWO are having their thanksgiving Mass at 12 noon and the launch of the group in the parish. The first meeting will take place in the day chapel immediately after Mass and there will be light refreshments. I pray for the success and the support of all women in the parish. I believe we could change the parish in many powerful ways. Please ladies, your support is essential.

#### Aims of the group.

1. Saying the rosary daily online
  2. Having a physical meeting once a month
  3. Organising pilgrimages within and outside the country
  4. Having spiritual talk at the meeting
  5. Partaking in the welfare of the Church as well as the Priests
  6. Visiting our sick and bereaved members /parishioners
  7. Attending to other issues raised in the church which affects our family as a parish.
- You may not be able to support all the above aims every time but with a bit of commitment everyone could do a little. Please ladies.

### Pilgrimage to Lourdes 9<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Feb

Leaving Slough and Ealing Broadway on 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026 and departing Lourdes on 13<sup>th</sup> February for a visit to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal in Rue de Bac, Paris on 14<sup>th</sup> February morning and arriving in London later on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Full board, exciting festival devotional program, experience the Blessed Sacrament Procession of the Sick, the Candlelight Marian Rosary Procession and the International Mass on the Feast Day followed by Stations, Confessions and Adoration with Hour of Mercy. Travel, full board and program cost £590. Call **Millie on 07957594646 for more info.**