

# ST. ANSELM

## Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

### **Love one another, as I have loved you.**

Being a Christian is not always easy. For a start there are all these other people who claim to be Christian but don't behave the way I do... so they can't be Christians!

Sadly, this kind of thinking is all too common in our churches. It's the kind of thinking that Jesus preached and taught against so often.

We need to start with the simple understanding that anyone who loves Jesus is a brother and sister - and then work from there.

There are enough reasons to disagree and argue with people in the world without us finding new ways to fall out with our own family.

As I return from the Holy Land I'm prompted to consider the part that I play in division and hatred. It may sound overly dramatic, but my own small part is a cog in a wheel that results in the hatred and hurt we see in the middle east.

In the same way that our small acts of good add up to change the world, or small acts of nastiness or gossip or unkind comments add



up to make the world a worse place.

So in this Week of Christian Unity, I urge you to keep an eye out for your brother and sister Christians around the world and to pray that one day, with the Grace of God, we will once again be one in Him.

Not divided by doctrine and dogma, but united in love and in a joy of being a family in Christ.

Fr. Matthew

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*Please let us know of illness or other need as soon as possible. We are available on the above numbers 24/7.*

### Prayer focus

For people to sign up and come to our Alpha course starting on the 19th January.

[www.stanselm.co.uk/alpha](http://www.stanselm.co.uk/alpha)

### Worship focus

On Tuesday we'll be visiting Ruislip for the licensing of Fr. Robert and on Wednesday there'll be a Feast Day mass for St. Paul.

## This Sunday

### Sunday 22nd January

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Parish Mass

*Divine Office Psalter Week 3, Year A(I)*

## Keep in Touch



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## Notices

**Alpha started on Thursday evening and continues for the next 12 weeks. If you're interested, or know someone who you think may find it helpful, given them a flyer or point them to our website at [www.stanselm.co.uk/alpha](http://www.stanselm.co.uk/alpha)**

The foodbank is in need to tinned fish, long life milk, sugar and most of all... bags! Can you please have a dig around and bring some in on Sunday.

Next Sunday we have our family led mass put together by Fr. Josiah and Susan. It will be a wonderful opportunity to share the gifts of our children with the whole congregation. It will be a very special service.

Our new coffee bike is now in place alongside our new cafe area. We'll be advertising shortly for somebody to come and run the cafe on our behalf for a set daily fee - if you know of anyone who may be interested please speak to Fr. Matthew.

PCC meeting on the 5th February immediately after mass - to include a special meeting for appointing Fr. Matthew as Vicar.

Fr. Matthew has brought Holy Water back from the Holy Land (the Well of Mary in Nazareth) and this will be available on Sunday.

## Years Mind

22nd - David Cox

23rd - Kathleen Robinson, Bob Hemmings

24th - Beatrice Bond

25th - Tom Bishop, Volodymyr Kharyk

26th - Gertrude Bray

27th - Cyril Upshon, Brian Hyde

28th - Joan Mary Sadler

## Pray This Week For

Yolanda De Gale, Wayne Campbell, Beryl Higgs, Kevin Riley & Family, Norma Piggott, Gemma, Deborah Ann Potts, Adrian Calliste, Jim Kissane, Mavis & Daniel Sibley, Desmond, Dorothy Shirley Gordon, Alan & Vida, Elijah and his family, Andrew, Sarah, Jan, Rita Ford, Cynthia.

## Monday 23rd January

Monday of Week 3 in Ordinary Time ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

*Prayer focus: Our online family*

## Tuesday 24th January

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

7pm - Licensing of Fr. Robert at St. Martin's Ruislip

*Prayer focus: The evangelisation of England*

## Wednesday 25th January

*The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle - Feast* ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer & Rosary

*Prayer focus: Priests & Bishops of the Society*

## Thursday 26th January

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

7:30pm - Alpha Course ([www.stanselm.co.uk/alpha](http://www.stanselm.co.uk/alpha))

*Prayer focus: New Christians*

## Friday 27th January

Friday of Week 3 in Ordinary Time ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

*Prayer focus: Struggling Mothers & Fathers*

## Saturday 28th January

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor ●

[Offices said privately at home]

*Prayer focus: Children around the world*

## Sunday 29th January

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Family Led Parish Mass

*Divine Office Psalter Week 4, Year A(I)*

*Confessions are heard by appointment with Fr. Matthew or Fr. Josiah*