

# Catholic Church of Our Lady and St. Walstan

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*Without hope, even a little suffering can seem unbearable; with hope, we become capable of bearing suffering greatly. Christ's Resurrection is the source of our hope and without the Resurrection; our Christian lives would be pitiable; willingly embracing suffering only to die without rising. Only when filled with hope does the challenging teaching of the beatitudes become a blessing and means of union with Jesus.*

*Sundays Year C ~ Ordinary Time ~ Psalms Week: II  
 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025*

<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	<i>Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me; guide me, for the sake of your name.</i>	
<b>First Reading</b>	<i>Cursed is the man who trusts in man, blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord.</i>	<i>Jeremiah 17:5-8</i>
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	<i>Blessed the man who placed his trust in the Lord.</i>	<i>Psalms 1</i>
<b>Second Reading</b>	<i>'If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile.</i>	<i>1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia! Rejoice and leap for joy, says the Lord, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!</i>	
<b>Gospel</b>	<i>'Blessed are you who are poor. Woe to you who are rich.'</i>	<i>Luke 6:17, 20-26</i>

<b>Saturday</b>			<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Parishioners</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Intentions of the COLW Sisters</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Feria</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Chloe Doherty</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>18<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Feria</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	<b>Mary Johnson R.I.P.</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	<b>Chair of St. Peter</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Reji, Litty, Joshua &amp; James – For Healing</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Parishioners</b>
			<b>10:30am</b>	<b>George Petrie &amp; Deceased Family Members</b>

Morning or Evening Prayer will be prayed fifteen minutes before weekday Masses.  
 Confessions on Saturday 10.30-11.00am and Wednesday 6.00-6.30pm.  
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday after the morning Mass.

**Sick and Housebound** – Please pray for Peter Bevis, Molly Chacko, Cecilia King, Patricia Paul, Christopher Sharples, Peter King, Joseph Mitton, Geoff Routs, Henry Bedingfield, Jane Henson, John Barnes, Sue Williams, Jennifer Gates, Trudy McClusky, Gerry Watt, Yustyna Adamska, Michele Bendall, Christina Thomas, Ann Bettany and Marcia Jenkin.

**Faithful Departed** – Please pray for Teresa Moller, Alfred Pratt, Ellen Taylor, Geoffrey Pennell, Doris Bacon, Emily Broom, Dora Mullett, Jean Love, Paul Hawketts, Thomas Barrett, Margaret Thorne, Eileen Moreton, Percy Harvey, Alison Ward, Margaret Green, Bernard Lundberg, Cecil Mitchell, Mary Johnson, George Hunt, Maureen Thompson, Muriel Greef and all whose anniversaries occur around this time,

**School Choir:** There will be a concert at St Augustine's school given by their excellent choir on Friday March 7<sup>th</sup> at 3.30pm. The concert will last for about 45 minutes. Tickets are priced at £2.50 and refreshments will be on sale.

**How are you preparing for Lent?** Come to "Don't forget the Holy Spirit", a day of renewal at St Laurence's Church, Milton Road, Cambridge. 1st March 2025 10:00 – 16:00 with guest speakers Fr Matt Anscombe & Caroline Sadd. The day includes Mass (10:30), praise & worship, inspiring talks, real-life accounts of transformation, reconciliation, exposition & prayer ministry. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be available. For more info email: [renewaleastanglia@gmail.com](mailto:renewaleastanglia@gmail.com) or phone Pam Smith: 07869652115

**School Masses:** Some school Masses are now open to parishioners again. If you see 'Mass in School' on the list of Mass times on the front of the newsletter then you are welcome to attend.

**Community of Our Lady of Walsingham - House Appeal:**  
In honour of the Presentation of the Lord on 2nd February - the *World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life* - could you help a new, growing, religious community?  
The **Community of Our Lady of Walsingham** seeks donations to establish a mission house in Walsingham where they can expand their work of spiritual accompaniment, hospitality and supporting young people to grow in faith. The community will pray for all benefactors and are grateful for donations of any amount which can be made  
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**Beetle Drive:** This annual fun evening will take place in the Garden Room at 6.00pm on Friday February 28<sup>th</sup>. Do not worry if you have never played Beetle before: you will soon get the hang of it. Bring your own snacks and refreshments.

Items for the newsletter may be left at the presbytery (marked clearly "for newsletter" along with the date, and your name), or email [newsletter@stwalstans.com](mailto:newsletter@stwalstans.com). For all forms of communication, please provide a telephone number on which you can be contacted. The deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday 6pm.

**Collection**                      **8<sup>th</sup> /9<sup>th</sup> February**                      **£ 739.98**  
**Many Thanks**

**Walk With Me:** Once again we have this very useful Lenten booklet on sale in the porch priced at £1.00. It contains daily reflections and prayers for the season of Lent.

**Wednesday February 19<sup>th</sup>:** Please note that there will be no confessions, evening prayer or Mass on this evening.

**Journey in Faith: Thursday February 20<sup>th</sup>, 7.00pm, in the Garden Room. This week's topic is Prayer.**

**Readers and Eucharistic Ministers:** The new rota is now available in the porch.

**First Holy Communion:** We now have a display of photographs of those children who will be making their First Holy Communion this June. We are asking for your prayers during this journey, and have placed a sheet next to the Baptismal Font, for two names to be applied against each child. Can we ask that each child has at least one prayer partner beside their name before doubling up on others. Many thanks.

*Come Holy Spirit and descend into our minds and hearts so that we may be open to all the graces you wish to pour out upon us. Give us fresh vision and courage to see your work in our lives and the grace to listen and respond to your voice speaking to us in every moment. Holy Spirit, through the intercession of Mary, our Queen and Mother, fall afresh on this Parish, our families, our friends, those we love and those around us who do not know you. Renew us by your grace and transform our lives so that we may be witnesses to your love, joy and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Our Lady of Walsingham, pray for us. St Walstan, pray for us.*