

We pray for the church around the world:

Especially those who are persecuted for their faith. We pray for compassion and kindness, inclusion and love for all. We pray for all who have not yet let Jesus into their lives.

We pray for our world: All the casualties of war and conflict; victims of natural or manmade disasters; those who are living in poverty or under oppressive regimes; for all who have no safe place to live in. For the earth and all the damage done to it by humankind. For more empathy and compassion.

We pray for our local community: [19: Market Pl, Royal Terrace] [20: Nelson St, E15 theatre school] [21: Capel Terr, Cambridge Rd] [22: Cashiobury Terr, Park Terr] [23: Runwell Terr, Prittlewell Sq.] [24: Devereux Rd, Royal Mews][25: Musicians, artists, poets and performers of the parish]

We pray For those who are sick or in need Margaret Jones, Terry, Maff, Ken, Valerie, Brogan, Tony, Kat, Violette, Judith, Mark, Diana, Audrey, Chris Binks, Louis, Natasha & family, Rosetta, Doreen, Janet, Nick, Jean Wren, Mark, Sarah.

And all on our long term list. Prayers for all sick in hospitals, hospices, care homes and at home. For those who are caring for them.

Recently departed: Nick, Doreen

All who have died with no-one to pray for them.

In Memoriam: January

Graham Rogers 3/1; Joel Kirk 5/1, Betty Crabtree 7/1, Pat Boosey 10/1, Mike Tunley 11/1, Andrew Chapman 19/1, Elsa Cook 22/1, Michael Evans 25/1, Gill Hinton 27/1, Alastair Ross Ker 29/1

NOTE: Words for final prayer for the departed and for Hail Mary is in Mass Book

Dates for the Diary:

Today: Healing & Subcommittee

Parish of St Alban. Westcliff &
ST MARK, SOUTHEND

19 January 2025

2 Sunday after Epiphany



Winifred Knights **Marriage at Cana** [1923]

One of the joys of using Facebook is following groups who introduce you to ideas, people and images that are new and exciting. One such group I have followed for a long time brings women artists to light who may have been forgotten or dismissed in favour of male artists for a number of reasons. One such artist who was brought to my attention recently was Winifred Knights, the creator of the strange but wonderful Marriage at Cana I have used this week. To be fair, she was highly thought of in her lifetime by the art establishment but by the time of her death in 1947 she was only known as the wife of the better known artist, Thomas Monnington. In this wonderfully composed painting, Knights included a self portrait, she is seated at the left of the table, third person in. But can you spot Jesus? And which bit of the story is happening? **Blessings, Mother Cherry**

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