

Parish of St Alban. Westcliff &
ST MARK, SOUTHEND

26 January 2025

3 Sunday after Epiphany

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 [26: Clifton Terr, Milton Pl.] [27: Southend Care Bank; Milton Community Partnership and SAVS][28: Melrose House, Barons court School, all who are home-schooled] [29: Other Faith Groups in the parish][30: 10th Southend [St Mark's Own], Southend Street Pastors] [1: Hamlet Rd, Princes St]

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

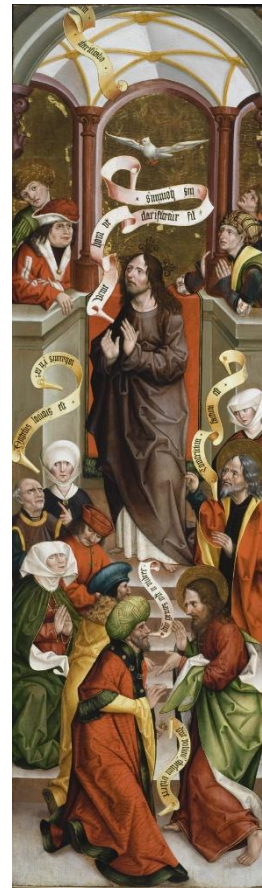
All who have died with no-one to pray for them.
In Memoriam: January

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

Music Events: 15/2: The Calmers
16/2: Carole King's Tapestry



Jan Polak, **Christ Preaching in the Temple** [c1500]

When Jesus opened the scroll in the temple in Nazareth, and read from Isaiah, the words he proclaimed were profoundly moving to those who heard them. The artist has managed to make those words literally flow and weave amongst the listeners so that we are reminded how Jesus does not just speak words but is the Word. Inspired by the Holy Spirit in the form of the dove, we can imagine that those in that place that day were changed by what they heard. Every time we hear

these words spoken through the gospel we should also be prepared to respond as well. **Blessings, Mother Cherry**

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