

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2025**  
**The Holy Innocents**



**Wanstead Parish**  
St Mary with Christ Church

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**Services today:**

**8am Holy Communion BCP (CC)**

**9.30am Joint Sung Eucharist (CC)**

*No Nursery or Junior Church this week but all very welcome at the Sung Eucharist*

**Eucharist Readings & Hymns:**

**Psalm 124**

**I Corinthians 1. 26-29**

**Matthew 2. 13-18**

**675** - Immortal Love, for ever full

**88** - What child is this

**462** - Soul of my Saviour

**72** - Joy to the world

**The Collect for the Week:**

Heavenly Father, whose children suffered at the hands of Herod, though they had done no wrong: by the suffering of your Son and by the innocence of our lives frustrate all evil designs and establish your reign of justice and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Prayers:**

**Those who are in need of prayer:** Margaret Watts, Pam Messum, Kay Kingham, Kay Sheikh, Julie Black, Sally Hurd, Charlotte, Ann Cheetham, Chris Cummins, Patricia Head, Richard Francis, Barbara Ridley, Tina Veldi, Eli, Liz Hickson, Molly Liok, Divel Veldi, Jackie Wilkins, Janet Plastow, Wendy, Louisa Hepworth, Andrew Bass, Tricia Don, Jane Heath, Jennifer Hale, Michael, Terry Gadd, Viv Aylward

**RIP:**

**Year's Mind:** Rosina Williams (28<sup>th</sup>, 01); Barbara Davis (31<sup>st</sup>, 91); Janice Wells (1<sup>st</sup>, 22); Joseph King (2<sup>nd</sup>, 97)

**Wanstead Prayer Diary:** Woodbury Close, Florence Court, Foxglove Gardens, Merino Close, Wanstead Youth Centre, Longcourt Mews, Elderfield Walk, Melmead House NELFT NHS (Community Mental Health), Sultan Road, Bal Beauty, Essex Engineering and Coin Co-op Controls

**HOME AND HOSPITAL VISITS:** Please let the Parish Office know if you would appreciate a visit by a member of the clergy, or if you know of someone who would. Mthr Anne can offer one-off visits for prayer and discussion (perhaps concerning a specific issue), in addition to on-going visits in the case of the elderly, sick and housebound. **SAFEGUARDING:** For safeguarding concerns please contact Avril Carnelley on 07905 764343 or at [wansteadparishsafeguarding@gmail.com](mailto:wansteadparishsafeguarding@gmail.com). In an emergency, contact the relevant authority such as the Police.

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