

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00 pm	The People of our Parish
FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)		
5th Feb 2017	9.00 am	Patrick & Kathleen Watters RIP (Anniv)
	11.00 am	Ken Joslin RIP (Parker)
	5.00 pm	Louise & Denis Brosnan's Intentions
MONDAY	<i>No morning Mass</i>	
TUESDAY	10.15 am	Private Intention
	12.30 pm	Rose Speller RIP Funeral Service
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am	Bridget Stevens RIP
THURSDAY	9.15 am	Edmund J. Cole RIP
FRIDAY	St Scholastica, Virgin	
	9.15 am	Anne Layland RIP Requiem Mass
SATURDAY	Our Lady of Lourdes, Principal Patron of the Diocese	
	10.00 am	Intentions of Bishop Alan & our Diocese
SATURDAY	Vigil Mass	
	6.00 pm	Ida and George Zarb RIP
SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A) Racial Justice Day		
12th Feb 2017	9.00 am	David Henderson RIP (recently)
	11.00 am	The People of our Parish
	5.00 pm	Catherine Kearney's Intentions

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE Saturdays 11am to 12 noon
ADORATION & PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
TUESDAYS 10.45am to 11.15am
SATURDAYS 11am to 12 noon (until 6pm this Saturday, 11th Feb)
DIVINE OFFICE PSALMS for Week 5 - Week 1 of Psalter

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LISTEN to 9am SUNDAY MASS in our Church by phoning **033 3443 3443**.
Enter Room Access Key: 158 558 54# followed by PIN Code 5286#. Others can hear sounds in your home if you do not turn on your phone's silent button

HALL BOOKINGS The booking officer is Katie Smith who can be contacted
Tel: 07437 443738, e-mail canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com

Parish Safeguarding Representative Adrian Scantlebury Tel: 01277 623325

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)

5th February 2017

The Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

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Parish Priest: Father Daniel Mason

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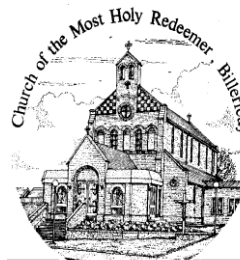
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Our Parish is twinned with Sacred Heart Parish, Dundee Diocese, South Africa

There is a story told about Mahatma Gandhi, the famous Indian statesman. One day a mother came to Gandhi along with her daughter and explained to him that her daughter was in the habit of eating far more sweet food than was good for her. Please, she asked, would Gandhi speak to the girl and persuade her to give up this harmful habit?

Gandhi sat for a while in silence and then said to the woman: "Bring your daughter back in three weeks' time and then I will speak to her." The mother went away as she was told and then came back after three weeks. This time Gandhi quietly took the daughter to one side and pointed out to her the harmful effects of eating too many sweet things: he urged her to abandon the habit.

Thanking Gandhi for giving her daughter such good advice, the mother then said to him: "Still I would like to know why you did not just say these words to my daughter three weeks ago when I first brought her to you?" "But" explained Gandhi in reply: "Three weeks ago I myself was still addicted to eating sweet foods."

In a few weeks time we begin the season of Lent. It might be worth reflecting on this story when we think about what act of self denial we will do during Lent, bearing in mind that the purpose of it is not to make us thinner or healthier or better off but to help the light of Christ shine more clearly in our lives.

Fr Dan

Church Opening Hours:

We are fortunate to be able to keep our church open most days during the week but sometimes the church has to be closed early if Father Dan is away or there is nobody available to lock up.

As a rough guide these are the hours that the church is normally open during the weekdays:

Monday: 8am-3pm

Tuesday: 8am-7pm

Wednesday: 8am-7pm

Thursday: 8am-9pm

Friday: 8am-7pm

If you are unsure about whether the church will be open please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office from 9am to 2pm Monday-Friday on 01277 624891.

No Confessions on Saturday, 25th February: Father Dan has to attend a meeting in Brentwood for all priests and Stewards of the Gospel on Saturday, 25th February and so as a result there will not be confessions on this day.

Sick and Housebound Parishioners: If you know any parishioners who are now unable to come to Mass and who would like a visit from the Parish Visiting Group or from Father Dan please could you contact the Parish Office on 01277 624891 with their contact details.

If you have a relative who is going into **hospital** and you would like them to be visited please make sure that you contact the Parish Office with their name and the hospital ward that they are in.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2017: Bishop Alan will lead our Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in our Centenary Year to celebrate the Patroness of our Diocese, from 23 - 28 July. The cost per person - full board and flights from £697. For full details and booking form call Cathy on 01206 735623 or email: cathy@brentwoodlourdes.org. Poster on notice board.

Children's Liturgy: Parents are respectfully asked not to go out with their children for the Children's Liturgy at the 9am & 11am Masses unless their children are below school age and in the Toddlers' Liturgy.

MOST HOLY REDEEMER FACEBOOK GROUP: all are welcome to join. It's a great way to be in touch, share news, events and interesting things we've seen online relating to our faith. If you know of an event you want everyone to hear about, post it in the group and invite your friends from the parish. It helps the Admin of the group if you have already registered with the Parish. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/586790021360626/>

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME AND IN HOSPITAL:

Lucy Harding, Mary Cronjaeger, Aileen Fleetwood, Marie Liddall, Mary Carr, Helen Harte, Terry Nuttall, Elizabeth Smith, Pam De Keyser, Isabel Jasinska, William Lawlor, Barbara Flynn, Dai James, Jane Jowers, Maura Stone, Patricia McGeown, Madge Folkard, Maureen Tall, Dorothy Wheeler, Margaret Bunker, Bernadette Reardon, Eileen Savory Pauline Wallace, Mary Shane, Grace Howlett, Marlene Hawkins, Caroline Hill, Kirsti Dennett, Anna Sullivan, Jean French, Jean Kenway, Elsie Jackson, Julie Halstead, Gloria Dixon, Beryl Barclay, Diane Bowen, Mavis Reed, Gertie Walsh, Margaret Sefton, Jenny Flack, Julie Bouchel, Debbie Dowds, Eileen Molloy, John Gaut, George Pritchard, Jim Bowen, Erroll Newman, Christopher Browne, Frederick Stocks, Raymond Cavanagh, Peter Patterson, Michael Pierce, John Sheldon, Michael Howlett, Tommy Campbell, Francis Monk, Peter Bion, Jamie Taylor, Gerald Connew, Brian Mardle, Mark Fernandes, Keith Warren, John Sheridan. Children: Thomas William McBurney, Daisy Locker, Cecilia Fisk, Moriah Egan, Daniel Chesterman, Lucy Wyatt. Savannah & Cayde Lewis. May the healing power of the Holy Spirit come down upon all who are ill.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

Rose Speller R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rose Speller. Rose's Funeral Service will take place at 12.30pm this Tuesday 7th February.

Anne Layland R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anne Layland. Anne will be received into the church at 4.30pm on Thursday, 9th February and her Requiem Mass will take place at 9.15 am this Friday, 10th February.

Jill Foote R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jill Foote, Katie Smith's mum. Jill's funeral service will take place at 1pm on Friday, February 10th in Upminster Crematorium.

Edward Brown R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Edward Brown. Funeral details pending.

ANNIVERSARIES: Teresa Holben, Molly Lazaro, Alivera White, Jan Pawlowski, Lisa Ann Sharpe, Sarah Blogg, Bridget Stevens, Thomas Delaney, Rose Walmsley.

Clergy: Fr Francis Richardson, Fr Alan Wilcox, Canon Bernard Manning, Pope Pius XI, Fr Donald Mills.

Eternal rest grant to them. O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

PARISH HELP SCHEME assists parishioners who need transport to Mass; to doctor or hospital appointment; collecting prescriptions in emergency or shopping Contact **Pat Griffiths 651789** or **Joan Forbes 655636**

KIDS' CORNER

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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T	E	A	R	T	H	S	Y	D	T
P	R	A	I	S	E	L	A	M	P

Salt	Earth	Good
Underfoot	Trampled	Thrown
Men	Light	World
City	Built	Hill
Shines	Tub	Lamp
House	Sight	Works
Praise	Hidden	Top

Joke: What kind of tree can fit into your hand?
A palm tree!

MHR Youth Club. For your diaries, the club nights for the remainder of academic year 2016/17 are: **10/02, 10/03, 21/04, 12/05, 09/06, 14/07.**

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

FIFTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A

5th Feb 2017

Family Mass at 11am followed by refreshments in the hall

3pm Confirmation Group meeting

MONDAY

Restorative Exercise 1st Session **10am**

2nd Session **12 noon** (Small Hall)

Guides

RCIA 8pm (Room 2)

TUESDAY

Brownies

Eucharistic Ministers' training session 7.30 pm (Room 3)

Baptism Preparation 8pm (Room 2)

WEDNESDAY

Rainbows & Brownies

THURSDAY

Church cleaning

Most Holy Redeemer Children's Choir practice 4.30pm

Choir practices: **11am Choir: 7pm 9am Choir: 8pm**

FRIDAY

Youth Club 7pm (Hall)

SATURDAY

Sacrament of Penance 11am - 12 noon

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10am - 6pm

SIXTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A

12th Feb 2017

OFFERINGS Thank you for your generous Offerings last Sunday of £2092.35 (£1531.02 Gift Aided). There was £37.62 in our CAFOD BOX to support Our Parish CAFOD PROJECT in Sebeya, Ethiopia.

Third World 100 Club Draw: This scheme enables the donation of £100 monthly to charities dealing with extreme poverty, whilst also giving you the chance to win £100. More members are needed. **If you would like to join, Joan Keane would be pleased to hear from you, on 01277 651773.**

Collection at CTB United Service in aid of St Luke's Hospice - £190 (some gift aided) – Thank-you to all who came and contributed.

BAPTISM Congratulations to the families of Daniel Berry, James Tony Gammell, Jack William Larner and John James Anderson who were Baptised in our Church recently. May the Lord help them to bring up their children in the knowledge and love of God.

CHURCH REPOSITORY SHOP Volunteer needed for 15 minutes before and after the **Saturday 6pm Mass.** If you can help, even occasionally, please contact the Parish Office either by telephone or email.

Day of Exposition for the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday, 11th February: The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday, 11th February marks the beginning of a year of celebrations to mark the centenary of the formation of the Diocese of Brentwood.

On this day each parish in the diocese has been asked to have a time of exposition in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

On Saturday, 11th February we will begin with Mass at 10am in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes and then the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed throughout the day until the start of the 6pm Vigil Mass.

Thank you to all of those who have already signed up for a slot but we still have a few spaces left. Please could you commit to spending half an hour or an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament by signing the sheet in the church.

Ash Wednesday: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent. This year Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday, 1st March and Masses will be at 10.30am and 8pm in the church.

Parish Lent Day of Recollection: On **Saturday, 4th March** we will be holding a Day of Recollection in the Pastoral Centre led by Fr John Hemer who teaches Scripture at Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea. The day will begin at 10am and finish at 3pm with a shared lunch halfway through.

Meeting the “Living God” Seminars 2017- Cathedral House, Brentwood.

Seminar 2: The three marks of Easter Faith

Speaker: Bishop Emeritus Thomas McMahon

Date: Saturday 4th March 2017, 10.30am-12.00noon

Seminar 3: *With Christ during Lent* **Speaker:** Bishop Alan Williams, sm

Date: Saturday 18th March 2017, 10.30am-12.00noon

For more details contact: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org Tel.01277265285

Fire Warden Training: It is a Health and Safety Requirement that there are trained Fire Wardens at each of the parish weekend Masses in order to be able to safely guide parishioners in the event of the church needing to be evacuated.

On Monday, 20th March at 7.30pm there will be training offered in the Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall from 7.30pm to 9pm. All Ushers and any other parishioners who are interested in becoming Fire Wardens are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting. For more info please speak to Fr Dan.

Ministers of Communion: If there are any Ministers of Communion who would be available to take Holy Communion to the sick during the week please could you contact the Parish Office so that we can update our list.

RCIA: Our RCIA course for those who are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith will continue on 6th February. We will be meeting at 8pm in the upstairs part of the Parish Pastoral Centre.

Faith Development Group: New Members welcome. The next meeting of the Faith Development Group will take place on Wednesday, 15th February at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre. We will be looking at a book by Sherry Weddell called “Forming Intentional Disciples.” If you would like to be a part of this group you will need to make sure that you have a copy of the book and that you have read the Introduction and Chapter 1 in advance of the meeting. Copies of “Forming Intentional Disciples” are available from the Repository at £10 each.

Parish Social Committee: Our next meeting will take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 8th March in the Pastoral Centre in order to begin planning some of the events that were discussed at our previous meeting. If you were not able to attend our first meeting you are very welcome to come to this meeting

Beginning Experience There is a healing weekend for men and women who find themselves single again following divorce, separation or the death of a partner from 17th to 19th March 2017 at the Emmaus Centre, West Wickham, Kent. For more details please contact Freda 01322-838415 Sandra 01293-783965 or John 01992-642443 email johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk

Hot Water in the Pastoral Centre: We have now identified the source of the leak in the Men’s toilets and a plumber has been contacted to repair the pipe-work. Work on the toilets should take place during the week beginning Monday, 20th February. While this work is going on the downstairs toilets will be out of bounds to all groups. In the meantime please do not try to turn on the hot water taps in the Men’s and Ladies’ Toilets and in the Kitchen area.

BCCS: Annual Charity Ball at The Rayleigh Club, Hullbridge on **Saturday 4th March 2017**. Tickets are £55 per person to include a drinks reception, three-course dinner, tea & coffee, dancing & entertainment. To reserve tickets for our few remaining tables, or to donate an raffle or an auction prize, please contact Julie 01268 784544 / 07912277413 / jabbott@bccs.org.uk

New Hall School is looking to appoint a **Senior School Administrator** Details are on the notice board in the Church porch.

St. Helen’s Catholic Infant School, Brentwood Required 18th April 2017 **Teacher Foundation Stage/KS1 Fulltime, permanent post.** For details and application forms or to arrange visits, please contact the school office on 01277 215626 or via email admin@st-helens-inf.essex.sch.uk Closing date 6/2/17

Our Lady Queen of Peace Medjugorje Retreat at Emmaus Centre, West Wickham on 17/18/19th February. For details contact Carmen on 01277 821886.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 7 nights half board, flight and airport transfers 22nd-29th April and 13th-20th May, Gatwick to Dubrovnik €459 per person. Email jackiemulort@btinternet.com or call 020 3239 8662