

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Francis Price RIP
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT(A)
12th March 2017 9.00 am Roy Underhill RIP (Murphy)
11.00 am Joe Burchall RIP (Anniv)
5.00 pm The People of our Parish

MONDAY *No morning Mass*

TUESDAY 10.15 am Pat Kent RIP (Watters)

WEDNESDAY 9.15 am Linda Appleby RIP (Allen)

THURSDAY 11.00 am **Geoffrey Topple RIP** **Requiem Mass**

FRIDAY **St Patrick, Bishop, Apostle of Ireland**
9.15 am Patty Toner RIP (Anniv)

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Alicia & Joseph Skelton RIP (Anniv)

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT(A)
19th March 2017 9.00 am David Fisher RIP (Watters)
11.00 am Denzil & Louise Reeves RIP
5.00 pm Wendy Vineall RIP (Davies)

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
DIVINE OFFICE PSALMS from Week 2 of Psalter, for Week 2 of Lent

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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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR (A)

12th March 2017

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

Last Saturday we had our Lenten Day of Recollection in the Pastoral Centre which was led by Father John Hemer, the Scripture Professor at Allen Hall Seminary. Those of you who were fortunate to attend will know how good the day was but I just wanted to highlight one thing that Father John said in his talks.

He began by explaining that for many years he worked as a priest in Kenya and the biggest problem that he experienced there was mud. Most of the churches were off the tarmac and so whenever it rained the dirt roads turned into thick sticky mud which led to his car getting stuck.

Father John said that when this happened, most people would come running out from the village, they would hitch up their skirts or trousers and start pushing. And eventually with a lot of pushing and shoving there would be a roar of the clutch and the car would escape and he would look in the mirror and see the people waving, covered from head to toe in mud.

Father John went on to say that this is how God is like with us. When God saw that we were in trouble, He did not stand at the side of the road and let us fend for ourselves. Instead He sent His son to get down into our mud, our messiness. As we celebrate Jesus' transfiguration today we might want to also give thanks that the God who was glorified is also the God who suffered for us.

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.

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.

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/>

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**

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME AND IN HOSPITAL:

Lucy Harding, Mary Cronjaeger, Aileen Fleetwood, Mary Carr, Helen Harte, Terry Nuttall, Elizabeth Smith, Pam De Keyser, Isabel Jasinska, William Lawlor, Barbara Flynn, Dai James, Jane Jowers, Maura Stone, Madge Folkard, Maureen Tall, Dorothy Wheeler, Margaret Bunker, Bernadette Reardon, Clare Wilson, 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: 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:

Geoff Topple R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Geoff Topple, husband of Jac, who has died recently. Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday, 16th March at 11am followed by committal at Bentley Crematorium

Marie Liddall R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marie Liddall, who has died recently. Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday, 5th April at 10am, please note that this will replace the 9.15am Parish Mass on that day, followed by committal at Upminster Crematorium.

Liam Lawlor R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Liam Lawlor who died during the week. Funeral details pending.

Margaret Peters R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Peters, sister of Marie Dear, who has died recently. Requiem Mass was celebrated on Thursday, 2nd March in Ireland.

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Geoghegan, Elizabeth Lillywhite, William Overs, Mollie Hosegood, Lillian Cox, Philip Parks, Patrick Fernando.

Clergy: Fr William Luby, Canon Martin Horkan, Fr Donal Donegan.

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

Thank-you: Mary Porter and family would like to thank parishioners for their many messages of sympathy, cards and prayers following Fred's death. We appreciated the support of so many parishioners at his funeral.

KIDS' CORNER

2nd SUNDAY of LENT A

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Brother	Face	Shone
Sun	Clothes	Moses
High	Good	Wish
Three	Tent	Bright
Cloud	Shadow	Listen
Afraid	Rise	Dead
Eyes	Touched	White

Joke: What is the best thing to put in a sandwich?
Your teeth!

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

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A

12th March 2017

Retiring Collection after all Masses following CAFOD FAST DAY

12.30pm Baptisms: Isla Grace Alexandrou
Rosie Elizabeth Richardson

MONDAY Restorative Exercise 1st Session **10am**
2nd Session **12 noon** (Small Hall)
Guides
RCIA 8pm (**Lounge**)

TUESDAY Brownies

WEDNESDAY Church Cleaning
Ladies Group 9.30am (**Lounge**)
Rainbows & Brownies
Faith Development Group meeting 7.30pm (**Lounge**)

THURSDAY Most Holy Redeemer Children's Choir practice 4.30pm
Choir practices: **11am Choir: 7pm 9am Choir: 8pm**
Hall Committee meeting 7.30pm (**Lounge**)
Justice & Peace meeting 8pm (**Room 1**)

FRIDAY Stations of the Cross 7.30pm

SATURDAY Sacrament of Penance 11am-12 noon
HCPT Race Night 7.30pm (Hall)

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

19th March 2017

3pm Confirmation Group meeting

OFFERINGS Thank you for your generous Offerings last Sunday of £2153.06 (£1572.95 Gift Aided). There was £36.62 in our CAFOD BOX to support Our Parish CAFOD PROJECT in Sebeya, Ethiopia.

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY: FRIDAY 10th MARCH - This Lent Fast Day, we come together as a Catholic community to help our poorest sisters and brothers who work hard every day of their lives, but want the chance to give their children a future. CAFOD works with local organisations like the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & Mary in Zambia, to help people support themselves. This Lent Fast Day CAFOD is asking us to make a little sacrifice so that our poorest sisters and brothers can live lives free of poverty. Please give what you can afford to donate in this weekend's collection. **Please note: Cheques are payable to Catholic Church Billericay**

Lent Leaflets: Leaflets describing all the different events and activities that are taking place in our parish during Lent and Holy Week are available at the back of the church.

Stations of the Cross: Stations of the Cross take place every Friday evening throughout Lent at 7.30pm in the church.

Faith Development Group this Wednesday, 15th March. The next meeting of the Faith Development Group will take place this Wednesday, (15th March) at 7.30pm in the Lounge area of the Pastoral Centre. Even if you weren't able to attend the first two sessions you are very welcome to attend our next session but you will need to obtain a copy of a book by Sherry Weddell called "Forming Intentional Disciples." **Copies of the book can be obtained from the Repository at a cost of £10 each.** In our next meeting we will be discussing and reflecting on chapters 2 and 3 of "Forming Intentional Disciples".

Healing Mass at Abbotswick House of Prayer, Brentwood to be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at 2.30pm on **Wednesday 15th March.** Please call 01277 373959 or visit www.abbotswick.org for more information. All are welcome.

Lent Lectures at the Catholic Church Hall, 11 Church Hill, Epping.
Monday 13th March at 8pm "The Joy of Love - Amoris Laetitia" Fr Alban McCoy OFM, Dean of St Edmund's College, Cambridge, will speak on Pope Francis' reflection on the recent Synod of Bishops, on the family, and pastoral practice and moral issues.

Monday 20th March at 8pm "Being a Catholic Doctor in 21st Century England & staying true to the Catholic Faith - lessons for a lay Catholic". Dr Charlie O'Donnell FRCP, Consultant on Emergency Medicine & Intensive Care, will speak on the challenges facing doctors who follow Christian and moral principles. All are welcome and admission is free.

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

Essex Recusant Society (Brentwood Diocesan Historical Society) next meeting will take place at 2.30pm on Saturday 1st April at The Grange, Queens Road, Brentwood CM14 4EY. Janet Cosgrove will speak on 'Anti-Catholic Feeling in Brentwood, 1851-1861.'

BAPTISM *Congratulations to the families of Keira Emily Harrison and Lewis Patrick Slade who were Baptised in our Church recently. May the Lord help them to bring up their children in the knowledge and love of God.*

NEW PUBLICATION: The Diocese of Brentwood – 100 Years in Pictures, a Souvenir Booklet to mark our Diocesan Centenary, 110 pages with more than 300 colour and black & white photographs. Copies may be ordered from: *Centenary Booklet, Brentwood Diocesan Archives, Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood, Essex CM15 8AT.* The Suggested Donation is £7 per copy (plus £2 postage & packing). Cheques should be made in favour of BRCDT.

Pastoral Centre Improvements: Next week Rooms 2 and 3 in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre will be painted. While this is going on these rooms will not be available for use. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Parish Car Park: On Wednesday, 22nd March part of the parish car park will be closed in order to allow tree surgeons to trim the hedges bordering the car park.

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. If you would like to attend this meeting please speak to Father Dan or contact the Parish Office.

HCPT Race Night Saturday 18th March (in the Pastoral Centre)
HCPT Group 127 - Basildon & Billericay is a new group travelling to Lourdes for the first time at Easter. We are taking children from both parishes to enjoy a week in Lourdes, staying in hotels with their volunteer helpers. Basildon Parish have already started fund raising now it's our turn. For tickets contact Gail Childs, 07411 592829 or gailchilds@hotmail.com.

Diocese of Brentwood Vacancy for a Deputy Director of Education – Full details are on the notice board.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School, Leigh-on-Sea. The governors are seeking to appoint an inspirational, dedicated **Headteacher** to lead our school into an exciting future, from 1st September. See the Catholic Teachers Gazette or email recruitment@ourladyoflourdes.southend.sch.uk for an application pack. Closing date: 10th March 2017

Class Teacher required at Our Lady of Ransom, Rayleigh.

Clerk required by New Hall Multi Academy Trust.

Early Years Practitioner required by New Hall Preparatory School.

Drama Teacher, Economics, and **Maths Teacher** required by New Hall Senior School and Assistant Housemistress and Boarding Assistant
See notice board.