## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

6.00 pm Krystyna Swierdzewska RIP **SATURDAY** THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (A) **World Communications Day** 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017 **9.00 am** Natalia Mullerat's intentions (Catenians) **11.00 am** Paddy Tierney RIP (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv) **5.00 pm** Coleen's intentions **MONDAY** No morning Mass

**TUESDAY** The Visitation of The Blessed Virgin Mary

10.15 am Pat Rawlins RIP (Anniv)

WEDNESDAY **Dedication of the Cathedral Church of** 

St Mary & St Helen, Brentwood

9.15 am Wilfred & Iset Harper RIP

**THURSDAY** St Justin, Martyr

9.15 am Canon Aloysius Roche RIP

9.15 am Catherine Carroll RIP (Anniv) **FRIDAY** 

6.00 pm Carol LeBras (Hadley) **SATURDAY** 

PENTECOST SUNDAY (A)

4<sup>th</sup> June 2017 Jean Nuttall RIP (Anniv) 9.00 am

> Bronislawa Olejnik RIP (Anniv) & 11.00 am

> > Stanislaw Giszczak RIP (Anniv)

**5.00 pm** People of our Parish

# **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 11am to 12 noon** ADORATION & PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT TUESDAYS 10.45am to 11.15am & SATURDAYS 11am to 12 noon

**Prayer for Vocations:** Recently was the World Day of Prayer for Vocations and it marks the launch of our campaign to pray for vocations within our own parish. Please could you find time to pray this prayer:

# Lord Jesus,

you love us all so much that you gave your life for us upon the Cross. Thank you for the priests who have served in our parish. We ask you to continue to bless our parish by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

# THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (A)

28th May 2017

# The Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

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The tragic scenes that took place in Manchester on Monday night are ones that will live long in the memory. Maybe the reason why this particular terrorist act seems so shocking is because of the ages of the victims who died and were injured and because so many of us are able to picture ourselves waiting outside a concert venue to collect our children as they prepare to go home after a memorable night out.

In the aftermath of Monday night there have been many moving tributes, many moving scenes. One image that particularly stood out for me was a photograph which showed a Muslim Imam comforting a Jewish woman as they prayed together in front of the floral tributes that had been placed in Albert Square in Manchester.

At times like this, people can sometimes feel that religion is the cause rather than the solution to the pain, the hurt and the fear that many people are feeling. But as the image of the Imam and the Jewish woman showed, religion can also bring people together as well as divide them.

This Sunday we are celebrating the Feast of Jesus' Ascension back to his Father in Heaven and it is worth recalling the last words Jesus says to the disciples before leaving them. He says: "Know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time." Those words promise us that even when confronted with the most dreadful events Christ is there. 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, Wednesday & Friday: 8am-7pm

Thursday: 8am-9pm

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.

**Emmanuel Church Car Park:** A gentle reminder to parishioners that you should not park in the Emmanuel Church car park when you come to Mass at the weekend.

**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.

Baptisms at Most Holy Redeemer: If you would like your child to be baptised at Most Holy Redeemer then you must first arrange an appointment to see Father Dan. Rather than emailing or phoning the parish office the best way to do this is to speak to Father Dan after the Parish Mass that you normally attend at the weekend. In order for a child to be baptised at Most Holy Redeemer at least one of the parents must be a baptised Catholic and we do expect parents to be attending Mass regularly with their children.

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, Mary Carr, Helen Harte, Elizabeth Smith, Pam De Keyser, Isabel Jasinska, Barbara Flynn, Dai James, Jane Jowers, Maura Stone, Madge Folkard, Maureen Tall, Dorothy Wheeler, Margaret Bunker, Bernadette Reardon, Clare Wilson, Eileen Savory Pauline Wallace, Terry Nuttall, 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.

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#### WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

**Patricia Vincent RIP** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Vincent, a former parishioner, sister of Kathy Underhill, who died suddenly on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Please remember her husband Neville and their family in your prayers. The Requiem Mass will be in Guildford.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Mary Mitchell, Eileen Seal, Mabel Christie, Hermine Crisp, Brenda Cannon, Vera Gilbertson, Phil Polley, Robert Beat, Jean Nuttall.

**Clergy:** Fr John Timmins, Bishop John Petit, Canon Eric Goldingay, Fr Donald Clover, Canon Jerome Deady.

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

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**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** 

Parish Safeguarding Representative Adrian Scantlebury Tel: 01277 623325

**HALL BOOKINGS** The booking officer is Katie Smith who can be contacted Tel: 07437 443738, e-mail <a href="mailto:canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com">canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com</a>

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Disciples	Heaven	Fell

MHR Youth Club. For your diaries, the club nights for the remainder of academic year 2016/17 are: 16/06 (Laser Tag, Rayleigh), 14/07.

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (A) 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017

MONDAY SCHOOL HALF TERM THIS WEEK

THURSDAY Church Cleaning

Social Committee 7.30pm (Pastoral Centre)

Sunflower Club 7.30pm (lounge)

**SATURDAY** Sacrament of Reconciliation 11am-12 noon

Lourdes Quiz Night 7.30pm (Hall)

PENTECOST SUNDAY (A)

4<sup>th</sup> June 2017

12pm Parish AGM (Pastoral Centre)

12.30pm Baptisms: Ronnie Alfred Charles Line

**Thomas Anthony Luxmoore** 

OFFERINGS Thank you for your generous Offerings last Sunday of £1945.33 (£1490.53 Gift Aided), and £98.40 in the CAFOD BOX to support our parish CAFOD Project in Sebeya, Ethiopia.

The 100 Club draw for May was won by Mrs S Barry who receives a cheque for £100. A further £100will be donated to St Patrick's Missionary Society to help fund projects for the very poorest of the poor people of Kenya, thus enabling them to fend for themselves.

**Lourdes Quiz Night** to raise funds for those young people going to Lourdes this year will be held on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** in the Pastoral Centre. Tickets are **£5 per person** and will be—bring your own drinks and nibbles! For tickets or further information contact Suzanne Reeves on 07977430825 or 01277 632166.

**Parish AGM:** Our Parish AGM will take place at 12pm next Sunday (4<sup>th</sup> June) in the Pastoral Centre. At this meeting we will be discussing what has taken place over the previous year and what we are planning to do in the coming year.

A **#bakeitbetter** bake sale raising funds for the Great Ormond Street Children Hospital (GOSH) will take place on **Sunday 4th June** in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre after the 9am & 11am Masses, and before the Parish AGM. Parishioners who would like to bake or donate some goodies please contact Giulia at <u>Lorenzini.giulia@gmail.com</u> or on 07972383925

"Party Pieces" Parish Concert: On Saturday, 1st July at 7.30pm we are going to be holding a night of entertainment in the Pastoral Centre highlighting all of the talent that we have in our parish and our school. Tickets are on sale from the Parish Office and are also available from St Peter's school. Make sure you don't miss out on what is guaranteed to be the social event of the year!

**Father Dan Away:** Father Dan will be at the Appleby Horse Fair from Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> June to Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> June. While he is away Father Bob White will say the parish Masses on Thursday and Friday.

**Parish Faith Development Group:** Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm when we will be studying chapters 10 and 11 of "Forming Intentional Disciples".

Commissioning of new Ministers of Communion: This weekend (Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May) we will be commissioning our new Ministers of Communion at all of the parish masses after the Homily. There will also be an invitation to existing Ministers of Communion to come forward to be recommissioned. Please pray for all our parishioners who exercise the important ministry of distributing the Body and Blood of Christ and taking Jesus to the sick and housebound.

Brother Guy Consolmagno SJ is Director of the Vatican Observatory. He will lead a study day entitled 'God and the Cosmos', in which he will explore how looking at the immensity of creation leads us to become more familiar with who God is and how God loves us. Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June from 11 – 3pm at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. Admission free, tea/coffee provided, please bring a packed lunch. Parking at the church, 3minutes' walk from Gidea Park Station. It is essential to book your place and this should be done by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com

Meeting the "Living God" Seminars 2017- Cathedral House, Brentwood. Seminar 4: "The Beautiful will save us: beauty in the thought of Pope emeritus Benedict XVI."

Speaker: Fr Martin Boland, Dean of Brentwood Cathedral

**Date:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017, 10.30am-12.00noon

For information contact: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org Tel.01277265285

# Diocesan Centenary Lectures at Cathedral Hall, Brentwood.

Wednesdays at 7.30pm

**7 June:** Father Stewart Foster, Diocesan Archivist: 'The Foundation & Early Years of the Diocese (1917-1951)'

**14 June:** Canon Brian O'Shea, Parish Priest of Grays: 'The Development of the Diocese (1951-1979)'

**Diocesan Centenary Exhibition,** Cathedral House Conference Room Foyer, Ingrave Road: April-June 2017. Opening Times: Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday 9am-1pm & 3pm-8pm. (Sunday times subject to change) Other times by arrangement: 01277 265238 archives@dioceseofbrentwood.org

BAPTISM Congratulations to the family of Harry Harvey, Caiden Howland and Elodie Howland who were Baptised in our Church recently. May the Lord help them to bring up their children in the knowledge and love of God.

**Brentwood Diocesan Centenary Celebration at Walsingham on Saturday, 22**<sup>nd</sup> **July:** To mark the centenary of our diocese there is a special celebration taking place at the Walsingham Shrine on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July. We would like to take a group of parishioners to Walsingham but in order to organise a coach we need to have an idea about numbers. If you would like to go to Walsingham please could you email the Parish Office at <a href="mailto:office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk">office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk</a> or sign the sheet at the back of the church with your name and contact number.

**Re-decoration of the Church Sanctuary:** Beginning on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> June the church will be closed for five days in order for the sanctuary to be re-painted. While the work is taking place the daily Masses will be held in Rooms 2 and 3 of the Pastoral Centre at the usual times.

**Flower Ladies** coffee morning on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 10.30am at Flat 41, Hawkley Court, Chapel St – parking is available behind the flats or Waitrose. If unable to attend let Teresa know your available dates for the rota on 652573. New members are welcome to keep the flower rota going!

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017. £699 per person sharing. Price includes flight from Stansted with 15kg checked in bag, all taxes, luxury transfers, 5 nights' Knock House Hotel, full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Single supp. £60. Contact 01268 762278 or 07740 175557 or email <a href="mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com">knock Pilgrimages is a member of the TTA and is fully protected by ATOL T7613</a>

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Charity Golf Day on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June at The Rayleigh Golf & Country Club, Hullbridge. Tickets £55 per person, include a Golfers' Breakfast, 18 hole Stableford competition and a two course lunch & prizegiving served in a private dining room overlooking the course. To secure your place, contact Julie Abbott on 07912 277413 / jabbott@bccs.org.uk Ladies' Ascot Day Luncheon Friday 23rd June at the Rayleigh Golf & Country Club to coincide with Royal Ascot week. Ladies are encouraged to dust off their best hats and enter into the spirit of a 'Day at the Races'. Tickets £25per person for a delicious two course luncheon with tea & coffee served in our own private dining room, with plenty of time to enjoy some racing from Ascot before the school-run. Please contact Libby for more information & to book tickets on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk

### YOUTH POLL ON LIFE, FAITH AND VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT

Would all our young people between 13-29 contribute their views to this poll at: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/cathnews-synod-youth-poll">https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/cathnews-synod-youth-poll</a>. It closes on 5 June 2017 and can be completed in less than half an hour. These resources will be used by the Bishops of England and Wales in a report to be sent to the Vatican ahead of the 2018 Synod on: 'Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment'.