

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Sister Neome Hayes RIP (Diffley)

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (A)

6th August 2017 9.00 am Patrick & Kathleen Patterson RIP

11.00 am The People of our Parish

5.00 pm David Henderson RIP (Galliers)

MONDAY *No morning Mass*

TUESDAY **St Dominic, Priest**

10.15 am Padre Pio Prayer Group's intentions

WEDNESDAY **St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr**

9.15 am Liam Lawlor RIP (Farrell)

THURSDAY **St Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr**

9.15 am Paddy Harte RIP (Anniv)

FRIDAY **St Clare, Virgin**

9.15 am Maureen Tall RIP (Johnson)

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Jack Healy RIP (Anniv)

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)

13th August 2017 9.00 am Mick Cannon RIP (Anniv)

11.00 am Allan McHugh RIP (Anniv)

5.00 pm Barbara Dabrowska Branch's intentions

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: 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

Parish Safeguarding Representative Adrian Scantlebury Tel: 01277 623325

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (A)

6th August 2017

The Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

Diocese of Brentwood - Brentwood Deanery Reg. Charity 234092

Parish Priest: Father Daniel Mason

21, Laindon Road, Billericay, CM12 9LL

Telephone: 01277 624891

Email: office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk

www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk

St Peter's R.C. Primary School: 01277 653770

www.stpeterscatholicprimaryschool.co.uk



Hall Bookings: canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com or 07874 071058

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

Gospel Reflection

This mystery in the life of Christ is so important that we read this gospel two times a year: on the 2nd Sunday of Lent and on the Feast of the Transfiguration. While Jesus was still walking among them, the apostles tended to take him as simply human with extraordinary powers. The transfiguration was intended to help them see him beyond what the human eye can see. This was a moment in his human existence that Jesus allowed the chosen apostles, and us, to see the divinity in his Person. The splendour of the divinity was allowed to pierce through the humanity and be made visible. That should have been enough for Peter, James and John to stand firm on Good Friday through Holy Saturday until they see him again on Easter Sunday. Yet they were frightened, confused, insecure. They all ran away and abandoned Jesus. Peter even denied the Lord altogether.

The presence of Elijah and Moses is a confirmation that the Law and the Prophets are fulfilled in Jesus. Jesus brings to completion all that God had promised in the Torah and the Prophets. But there is something we must take note concerning Elijah and Moses: these two men had close encounter with God the Father on Mount Sinai

A third point to consider is the statement: "Listen to him." Jesus is the prophet sent by his Father; he is the Word of God. "Listen to him." This command is for all of us. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. What he has taught by word and example we must heed, and we shall be assured of eternal life. We are sure, because on the mountain we saw his glory.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (A) 6th August 2017

**12.30pm Baptisms: Alice Emily Rose Mills
Avalynn Maro-Odeh**

THURSDAY Church Cleaning

SATURDAY Sacrament of Reconciliation 11am-12 noon

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A) 13th August 2017

12.30pm Baptism: William Jack Edwards

Fr Dariusz will be coming to us from Monday, 14th August until Monday, 28th August. Please note that Fr Dan will be away from the parish during those dates.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK AT HOME AND IN HOSPITAL AND THOSE MENTIONED IN OUR PETITIONS BOOK.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

ANNIVERSARIES: Edward McBride, Julian Field, Noreen Candler.

Clergy: Deacon Frederick Wall, Fr Henry Tilley, Fr David Coghlan, Fr Hugh Verity, Fr David Papworth.

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

OFFERINGS Thank you for your generous Offerings last Sunday of **£1878.98** (£1469.35 Gift Aided), and **£49.30** in the **CAFOD BOX** to support our parish **CAFOD Project in Sebeya, Ethiopia.**

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**

BAPTISM *Congratulations to the family of Nancy Elizabeth Cross whose Baptism was celebrated in our Church last Sunday. May the Lord help them to bring up their child in the knowledge and love of God.*

Going to University this year? Look out for our Catholic Chaplaincy. Visit www.Catholicsatuniversity.org.uk. It's a great way to settle in and meet new people as your faith develops. Everyone welcome.

The next important stage of the **Stewards of the Gospel** discernment process is upon us! On Monday 7th August a document setting out in draft a vision and strategy to take our diocese forward will be published at <http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/news/>

Children's Holiday Bible Club - 21st August to 25th August - will be held every morning in the Pastoral Centre. It is open to children starting school in September 2017 up to Year 6. This year's theme is 'Dinosaurs' and will include arts and crafts, edible art, Bible stories, music and outdoor activities. Booking forms are in the Church Porch.

Altar Servers Training will commence on **Saturday 9th September** for anyone wishing to be an altar server who is in Year 4 or above and has made their First Holy Communion. The sessions will be on 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th September and 7th and 14th October at 4pm, and attendance is required at all sessions. Application forms are available in the sacristy.

Catholicism DVD Course: On **Thursday, 14th September** at 8pm in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre we will be showing the first episode of the "Catholicism" dvd presented by Bishop Robert Barron. This dvd is a beautiful introduction to the faith and is particularly appropriate for those who are not Catholic and are considering joining the RCIA course. For more information about the Catholicism course please visit catholicism.wordonfire.org

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes June 2018 If you are interested in being part of a parish pilgrimage to Lourdes in June 2018 please could you speak to Father Dan or contact the Parish Office as soon as possible so that we have an idea about numbers.

Most Holy Redeemer Youth Club. Applications are now being taken for children starting year 6, 7 or 8 in September 2017. Children currently registered do not have to reapply. We will try to accommodate as many applications as possible, but there will be a cap then a waiting list. If interested, please fill in the application form at the back of the church and drop through the letter box of Fr Dan's house, annotated "MHR YC" on corner of envelope or post to (with cheque/photos): The Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 21 Laindon Rd, Billericay, CM12 9LL. The 1st club night will be 15th Sept 7.30-9.00pm at the Canon Roche Hall, then 2nd Fridays of month thereafter. MHR YC Committee.

Lourdes, Summer 2017 – turn your computer on, and enjoy the “virtual pilgrimage.” Video clips of 2-10 minutes capture the flavour of the recent Diocesan pilgrimage, including all the homilies, and interviews with Bishop Alan and Fr Bob Hamill. You can find these via www.bcys.net or search “Virtual Pilgrimage – Lourdes 2017” on YouTube.

World Youth Day, Panama, January 2019. If you will be in year 12, or aged 17-27, in January 2019, then join the BCYS group travelling to Costa Rica and Panama for an encounter with 2 million young people from all over the world, and the Pope. This is truly a “once in a lifetime” experience and an amazing opportunity to discover and celebrate faith in Latin America. Visit www.bcys.net or email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org by 15th September 2017.