

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Mavis Reed RIP (Padre Pio Prayer Group)
SIXTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B
11th Feb 2018 9.00 am Intentions of Jennifer & Keith Warren on their 50th Wedding Anniversary
11.00 am Maureen Briggs RIP
5.00 pm Jill Foote RIP (1st Anniv)

MONDAY *No morning Mass*

TUESDAY 10.15 am Ted McKenzie RIP (Allen)

ASH WEDNESDAY – a Day of Fast & Abstinence
10.30 am Geoffrey Topple RIP (1st Anniv)
8.00 pm Ron Lidlow RIP (Jeffrey)

THURSDAY 9.15 am Sean & Olga Carroll RIP (Anniv)

FRIDAY 9.15 am Mary Scarr RIP (Johnson)

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Ida & George Zarb RIP

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B
18th Feb 2018 9.00 am Francis (Frank) Finnigan RIP
11.00 am Brian Parker RIP
5.00 pm Intentions of Mavis Reed's family

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

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

Imagine if I was to tell you that there is something that all of us can do which has been shown to make us feel calmer, enable us to do more of what we enjoy and free up more hours in the day. I think most people would jump at the chance to be able to try this.

But what if I was to tell you that the secret to unlocking all of these benefits lies in spending less time peering at the rectangular piece of plastic we carry around in our pockets and handbags.

It's estimated that the average adult in the UK checks their phone about 33 times a day which, extended over a year, amounts to a staggering 30 full days. Now of course, sometimes you have to use your phone for work or for keeping in contact with loved ones. But in addition to this, a lot of time is devoted to playing apps, reading social media posts and putting photographs on Instagram.

When I was thinking about what I would do as a Lent resolution I decided that my resolution this year would be to only use my phone to make phone calls and read emails. Everything else: you tube, WhatsApp, Twitter, Facebook, I'm going to steer away from for the next 6 weeks and instead I'm going to try to use the time that I would have spent on these apps by praying and reading more.

Pope Francis last year urged the crowds in St Peter's Square to consult their bibles as frequently as they look at their smartphones. I'm not sure I'm quite there yet, but my aim at the end of Lent is to spend less time in the virtual world and more time appreciating and exploring the God given world all around me.

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.

RCIA: Our RCIA course for those who are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith will continue on 19th February. We will be meeting at 8pm in the upstairs part of the Parish Pastoral Centre.

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.

Healing Mass: Fr Eammon's Healing Mass resumes on Friday February 16th at 2pm. St Mary Immaculate and the Holy Archangels, Kelvedon. We are on the main line from London to Ipswich – trains from Shenfield & Brentwood. For more information please contact Angie Hart mahart66@outlook.com

Emmanuel Church Car Park: A gentle reminder to parishioners to avoid parking in the Emmanuel Church car park when you come to Mass at the weekend.

Parish Centre Alarm: All parish groups should be aware that the Parish Centre is frequently alarmed. If any groups do not know the code for the alarm then they should contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

Parish Hall Keys: One of the sets of keys for the Pastoral Centre which is kept in the key box has gone missing. If any group or individual has this set of keys please could you return it to the key box.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME AND IN HOSPITAL:

Eric Hollingworth, Lucy Harding, Maureen Bewick, Mary Cronjaeger, Aileen Fleetwood, Mary Carr, Helen Harte, Martin Goldstone, Elizabeth Smith, Barbara Flynn, Jane Jowers, Maura Stone, Dorothy Wheeler, Margaret Bunker, Eileen Savory Pauline Wallace, Grace Howlett, Marlene Hawkins, Caroline Hill, Kirsti Dennett, Jean French, Jean Kenway, Anna Sullivan, Elsie Jackson, Julie Halstead, Beryl Barclay, Diane Bowen, Gertie Walsh, Margaret Sefton, Jenny Flack, Julie Bouchel, Debbie Dowds, Eileen Molloy, John Gaut, George Pritchard, Jim Bowen, Erroll Newman, Christopher Browne, Frederick Stocks, Peter Patterson, Michael Pierce, John Sheldon, Michael Howlett, Tommy Campbell, Francis Monk, Peter Bion, Jamie Taylor, Gerald Connaw, Brian Mardle, Keith Warren, John Sheridan, Priska Wiederkehr. Children: Daisy Locker, Cecilia Fisk, Moriah Egan, Daniel Chesterman, Lucy Wyatt.
May the healing power of the Holy Spirit come down upon all who are ill.

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.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

Patrick Moyne RIP, formerly of Billericay, who died recently. Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 28th February at 11am.

ANNIVERSARIES: Edna Etherington, Gisela Trinneman, Joseph Aldorino, Joan Duffett, Fred Porter, Geoff Tople, Siobhan Phillips, Patrick Jordan, Johanna Lidlow, John Nolan, Walter Pinnington, Frank Finnigan.

Clergy: Fr Donald Mills, Fr Charles Snell, Fr John Joyce.

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**. **We need more parishioners who would be prepared to help. If you come to a regular Mass, perhaps you would be prepared to give someone a lift. If you can help or need more information, please contact the Parish Office.**

BRENTWOOD DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2018 giving details of all parishes and organisations in the Diocese is on sale in the Church porch at **£2.75**. Please put money in the wall money box.

KIDS' CORNER

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Y	E	E	R	L	E	F	T	E	N	G
S	T	R	E	T	C	H	E	D	L	T

Leper	Recovery	Pleaded
Knees	Cure	Sorry
Hand	Touched	Priest
Offering	Healing	Moses
Man	Talking	Freely
Story	Once	Town
Outside	Stretched	Left

MHR Youth Club. The remaining club nights for 2017-2018 school year are:
9 Mar, 20 Apr, 11 May, 8 Jun, 13 Jul.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

SIXTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

11th Feb 2018

MONDAY

SCHOOL HALF TERM WEEK

WEDNESDAY

Church Cleaners

THURSDAY

Padre Pio Prayer Group 10am (Lounge)

FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross 7pm

SATURDAY

Sacrament of Reconciliation 11am-12 noon

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Group 127 HCPT fundraiser:

selling bacon sandwiches after 9am and 11am Mass

OFFERINGS Thank you for your generous Offerings last Sunday of **£2077.64** (**£1523.61** Gift Aided). There was **£76.50** in our **CAFOD BOX** to support Our Parish **CAFOD PROJECT in Sebeya, Ethiopia.**

For Taxpayers: Gift Aid & Standing Order forms are available in the Church porch and when completed may be posted through Presbytery letter box for processing. *Please pass the standing order form to your bank.*

Garden Fund: Many thanks to those that attend the Tuesday coffee morning, as they have given £55 to the garden fund.

Pastoral Centre Small Hall: Beginning this Monday (12th February) we will be working on refurbishing the Small Hall in the Pastoral Centre. The work is estimated to take approximately 2-3 weeks to complete and while the work is going on the Small Hall will not be available for use.

Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent: Ash Wednesday takes place on Wednesday, 14th February. Masses on this day will be at 10.30am and 8pm. Ash Wednesday also marks the start of the season of Lent when we are encouraged to make a Lenten resolution either to give something up or to take on an additional act of charity. During Lent we are also encouraged not to eat meat on Ash Wednesday and on Fridays.

Group 127 HCPT fundraiser: On **Sunday 18th February** after both our 9am and 11am masses we will be selling bacon sandwiches to help fundraise our Lourdes trip. Group 127 are taking two children from St Peters to Lourdes this Easter and we are very grateful for your support and prayers. We look forward to seeing you in the Parish Centre for a bite to eat and a nice cup of tea/coffee.

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

Lent Leaflets: At the back of the church you will find leaflets listing all of the different events that are taking place in our parish during Lent and Holy Week.

Walk With Me Calendars and Booklets: To help us with our Lenten preparations we have Walk With Me calendars available for children and Walk With Me booklets for adults. Both of these are free.

Lent Early Morning Tuesday Masses: During Lent we will be having an additional early morning Mass every Tuesday at 6.30am followed by a simple breakfast in the Pastoral Centre. This will be starting from Tuesday, 20th February. If you are available to assist with setting up and organising the breakfast, please contact the Parish Office.

Faith Development Group: The next meeting of our parish Faith Development Group will take place on Wednesday, 21st February at 7.30pm in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre.

Mass for Travellers on Saturday, 24th February 2018 at Westminster Cathedral, 2.30pm celebrated by Bishop Paul McAleenan at Westminster Cathedral for members of the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Communities. For more information please contact Fr Dan Mason, the National Catholic Chaplain for Gypsies, Roma and Travellers on 01277 624891.

Retreat Day for Ministers of Communion, Readers and Welcomers/Ushers on Saturday, 3rd March The day will start with Mass at 9.30am in the church followed by input from Des Kelly, a parishioner from Our Lady Immaculate Parish, Chelmsford. The day will end at 3pm with a re-commissioning service. The lunch will be a shared lunch so please bring food that you can share.

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Annual Charity Ball at The Rayleigh Club, Hullbridge on Saturday 10th March. Tickets £55 per person, which will include a drinks reception and three course dinner along with a full evening of entertainment. Guests will be seated on tables of 12. As tickets for this event sell out quickly, please contact Julie asap to avoid disappointment: 01268 784544 / 07912277413 / jabbott@bccs.org.uk

World Youth Day, January 16th – 30th 2019. Travel with the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service to Costa Rica and Panama; gather with over a million young people from across the world, together with our Pope. Age 17(school year 12)-27 when we travel. Cost £1,750. More details of this "once in a lifetime" opportunity at email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or www.bcys.net, or come to the **information evening on Sunday 18th February 5.00-8.00pm, Walsingham House at Abbotswick, Navestock Side, Nr Brentwood, CM14 5SH.** Places are very limited.

Churches Together: Lectio Divina takes place in St. Mary Magdalene Church, Gt. Burstead, normally on the Wednesday after the second Sunday of each month but there will be no meeting on 14th February as it is Ash Wednesday. Next meeting 14th March, gather from 7:30pm for 8:00pm start.

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has been chosen as one of the Charities of the Month at Waitrose, Billericay for the month of February. If you are shopping in Waitrose this month, please would you consider dropping your token into the 'bccs' box near to the entrance of the shop and asking your families and friends to do the same. Thank you.

Vacancy: Walsingham House at Abbotswick: Hospitality, Retreats and Facilities Co-ordinator. Living on site, the person in this full time role will enable the smooth running of Walsingham House at Abbotswick, ensuring a welcoming, safe and Christ-centred environment for all retreatants and visitors. The role includes the leadership of some youth retreats, as well as excellent team working with staff and volunteers. 2 year fixed contract, starting late August. £18,000pa + accommodation. Visit www.bcys.net/vacancy-abbotswick/

Billericay Catholic Pre-School Our waiting list is open for enrolment. If you would like to enquire about our Pre-School, held in the Canon Roche hall, please contact billericaycatholicpreschool@gmail.com or look at our website www.billericaycatholicpreschool.co.uk. We have free funded places for 2, 3 and 4 year olds. Our team has a wealth of experience and success in providing a happy, safe environment which your children can learn and develop within. Contact us now for further information.

Time and Talents: Thank You to all of you who took the time to fill out the Time and Talents forms. If you have not already handed in your form, it's not too late. Spare forms are available at the back of the church and can be given to Father Dan or handed in to the Parish Office. Over the next few weeks we will be contacting all of you with more information about the group or organisation you expressed an interest in.

The Champion School is looking to appoint a casual **Examinations' Invigilator.** Experience is not required as training will be provided. However, the ideal candidate should have effective verbal and written communication skills and be a confident and reassuring presence to candidates in examination rooms. To apply, please complete the application form on the school website (www.thecampionschool.org.uk) or contact the Headmaster's PA, Mrs Noddings for an application form (cnoddings@thecampionschool.org)'