

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY 6.00 pm** The People of our Parish

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B**  
**29<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

**9.00 am** Ellen & Harold Peniston & Alana RIP (Anniv)  
**11.00 am** Provincial Catenian Mass  
**5.00 pm** Avina Southgate RIP (Murphy Family)

**MONDAY** *No morning Mass*

**TUESDAY** 10.15 am Sr Rosalie Temple RIP

**WEDNESDAY** **St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor**  
9.15 am Eileen Stannard RIP

**THURSDAY** **SS Philip & James, Apostles**  
9.15 am Edwin Jordan RIP

**FRIDAY** **The English Martyrs**  
9.15 am Mary Josephine Mills RIP (Anniv)

**SATURDAY 6.00 pm** Alfred Bunker RIP (Anniv)

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B**  
**6<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**9.00 am** John McCarthy RIP (Anniv)  
**11.00 am** Mary Macklin RIP (Parker)  
**5.00 pm** The 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 (NOT ON 5<sup>th</sup> OR 12<sup>th</sup> MAY)**

**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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## *The Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church*

*Diocese of Brentwood - Brentwood Deanery Reg. Charity 234092*



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

Families can be a great source of joy but occasionally they can also be quite the opposite. In my experience there are very few people who are capable of winding you up as much as family members who are able to bring up events which may have taken place several years before and which you've tried to forget about!

While they can be frustrating, families are also a great support. There is a story told about a wealthy landowner in South India who had some very argumentative sons. They were always jealous of one another and always arguing among themselves. On his deathbed the father called all of his sons together and divided his property among them. He then called for some sticks to be brought, tied into a bundle, and asked them one by one, beginning with the eldest, to try and break the bundle of sticks. While they were closely bound together it was impossible to break any of the sticks.

The father then said to the eldest son, "untie the bundle and try to break the sticks singly." This was not difficult and soon all of the sticks were broken and lay before them in two pieces. By doing this the father taught his sons a lesson that they never forgot: that united they stand but divided they fall.

In today's gospel Jesus tells the disciples that if they are to bear good fruit they must be united to Him: "As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me." Just as a family is stronger when it is united, so our faith increases the more we unite ourselves with Jesus, the true vine. *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.

**Masses in May:** During May some of the parish Masses will be busier than usual because of First Holy Communion and Confirmation celebrations. **The Masses that are affected are the 9am and 11am Masses on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> May and the 5pm Mass on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> May.**

**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.

**Bereavement Support Group:** We are hoping to set up a small group of volunteers who would be available to support those who are coping with terminal illness and bereavement. It is intended that those involved would have experienced this themselves and be able to offer a small amount of time, either for a phone call or, if requested, a visit. If you feel you are able to give some time then please contact the Parish Office for more details.

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

**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.

**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. They have no spaces available for Funeral parking this week.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME AND IN HOSPITAL:**

Sara Abbs, Margaret Andrews, Pam Dixon, Lucy Harding, Peter and Cecilia Clegg, 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 Connew, 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:**

**Eileen Rogan RIP,** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Field's sister, Eileen, who died this week in Liverpool. May she rest in peace.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** George Zarb, Edward Hughes, Margaret Parks, Alison Parks, Maria Carmen Cano-Suckling, Eileen Christie, Patricia M'Clintock, Henry Wilks, Elizabeth Paolillo, David Mahony.

**Clergy:** Fr Brian O'Higgins, Fr John Kennedy, Canon Thomas Norris, Fr Feargus Saurin, Fr Andrew Dorricott, Canon Patrick Palmer, Canon Basil Booker, Fr John O'Callaghan.

**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 **Chris Nightingale 625604**.

**Many thanks to Joan Forbes for all the work she has done running the Help Scheme for many years.**

# KIDS' CORNER

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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DISCIPLES	BRANCH	VINE
FRUIT	CUT	TRUE
PRUNES	MINE	FATHER
WITHERS	SPOKEN	HOME
REMAIN	BEAR	MAKE
PLENTY	THROWN	FIRE
BURNT	GLORY	WORD

**MHR Youth Club.** The remaining club nights for 2017-2018 school year are:  
11 May, 22 Jun, 13 Jul.

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B**

29<sup>th</sup> April 2018

12.30pm Baptisms: Lucas Smith-Luis  
Rebekah Anna Hall

3pm Confirmation Course

**MONDAY**

Restorative Exercise 1st Session **10am**  
2nd Session **12 noon**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Session **2pm** (Small Hall)  
Guides  
Hall Committee meeting 7.30pm (Room 1)

**TUESDAY**

Tea and coffee in the Lounge after Mass  
Brownies  
Parish Visiting Group 7pm (Lounge)  
Baptism Preparation meeting 8pm (Room 3)

**WEDNESDAY**

First Holy Communion Rehearsal 4.15pm (for 5/6 May)  
Rainbows and Brownies  
Parish Social Committee meeting 7.30pm (Room 3)

**THURSDAY**

Church cleaning  
MHRCC Rehearsal 4.30pm  
Choir Rehearsal: **11am Choir:** 6.30pm **9am Choir:** 8pm  
Sunflower Club 7pm (Lounge)  
New Eucharistic Ministers Training 7.30pm (Church)

**FRIDAY**

Garden Club (9.45am)

**SATURDAY**

**First Holy Communion Mass 11am**

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**OFFERINGS** Thank you for your generous Offerings last Sunday of **£1990.90** (£1443.22 Gift Aided). There was **£119.60** in our **CAFOD BOX** to support Our Parish **CAFOD PROJECT in Sebeya, Ethiopia**

**Gift Aid Envelopes** If you are a UK tax payer and not in the scheme then we encourage you to join as we can claim back £1 for every £4 donated. **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.*

**First Holy Communion Rehearsal:** This Wednesday (2<sup>nd</sup> May) at 4.15pm there will be a rehearsal for all of the children who are making their First Holy Communion on the weekend of Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> May.

**Catenian Association:**

The Most Holy Redeemer Church welcomes Catenians from Province 2 to celebrate the year in office of Provincial President David Mullen.

**Mass to celebrate Monsignor Bill Nix's Golden Anniversary:** On Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm we will be having a special Mass to celebrate the Golden Anniversary of Monsignor Bill Nix's ordination to the Priesthood. Father Bill was Assistant Priest and Parish Priest at the Most Holy Redeemer and we are delighted that he is able to come back to celebrate with us.

**Parish Social Committee:** The next meeting of the Parish Social Committee will take place this Wednesday (2<sup>nd</sup> May) at 7.30pm in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre.

**Faith Development Group:** The next meeting of the Faith Development Group will be on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre.

**Ascension Day Masses:** The Feast of the Ascension is on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> May and is a Holy Day of Obligation. On this day Masses will be at 10.30am and at 8pm.

**The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society** would like to **thank the parents and children of this year's First Holy Communion** cohort for their very generous donations of £181.09. We would like to wish the children well as they prepare to receive this very special Sacrament over the next few weekends.

**Catenians:** [www.thecatenians.com](http://www.thecatenians.com) Brother Paul Moore was installed as President for the next 12 months and would like to invite gentlemen of all ages who would like to consider and be considered for joining our happy and very friendly Fellowship to come along as a guest so we can get to know each other at one of our dinner meetings held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at Stock Brook Manor from 7pm. Please Contact: Paul Moore 01277 657662 or by email: [pjeps@gmail.com](mailto:pjeps@gmail.com) if you would like more information.

**Reminder - The Sunflower Club** meeting is on Thursday 3rd May at 7 pm in the lounge of the Pastoral Centre. New members especially welcome. For more details contact Mary Lorens on 01277 525093 or Jac Topple on 01277 622158

**Mass for Migrants, Bank Holiday Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 11am, Southwark Cathedral.** For decades the Church has welcomed people from many shores, and this Mass celebrates the international diversity of our congregations. Celebrated by the Archbishop of Southwark, with our own Bishop Alan, and many priests and people from across London, Essex, Kent and Hertfordshire, this Mass is full of joy. All welcome. Details on poster on notice board.

**Oberammergau Passion Play 2020** Date 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020, 5 days in Austrian Lake District, half board 1 day and 1 night in Oberammergau £1,239. Cost includes Flights, 4 tours in Austria, Passion Play, 3 course meal in the interval. Bookings made through Lee Robinson 01277 652358. All details of this tour can be found on [www.tailored-travel.co.uk](http://www.tailored-travel.co.uk) quote mhrp201

**Save the Date - MHR Party Pieces 2!** Saturday 30th June 2018 – 7.15pm. Tickets on sale soon. If you would like to attend the MHR Social Committee meeting please contact the Parish Office.

**Brentwood Catholic Children's Society** has several charity places for **The Vitality London 10K** run on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018. For each place, we ask for a registration fee of £30 and a pledge to raise a minimum sponsorship of £200. If you have your own place in the race, we would love to have you on our team; we won't set a sponsorship target, but any funds you can raise for us would be hugely appreciated. Also they will be hosting their **annual Charity Golf Day at The Rayleigh Golf and Country Club, Hullbridge on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June.** Tickets £55 per person and include bacon roll on arrival, 18 Hole Stableford Competition and a Golfers' Lunch. For tickets and further information on both of these items, please contact: Julie Abbott 01268 784544 / 07912277413 / [jabbott@bccs.org.uk](mailto:jabbott@bccs.org.uk)

**Soapbox Derby:** Helpers needed at the Churches Together marquees at Sun Corner during the Soapbox Derby on Bank Holiday **Monday 7th May.** Please see ecumenical notice board in Porch.

#### **Vacancies:**

**St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay.**

**Cleaning operative** - Monday to Friday 15.30pm to 17.30pm. To carry out cleaning duties within the school. Vacuuming, dusting and general cleaning.

**Site Caretaker/Cleaning Operative** - Monday to Friday 07.00am to 10.30am then 1.30pm to 6pm. To carry out general maintenance of school and grounds, keeping all areas clean and tidy and following all health and safety guidelines. Job role is responsible for opening and closing of school premises, daily. This role also incorporates 2 hrs cleaning. This entails sweeping/mopping of the school hall and sweeping/mopping of staircases. Position becomes available July 20th 2018 but successful candidate will need to attend site for training prior to this date. Apply to Joanne Daniels, Account Manager Enterprise Support Services UK Ltd on 07912 732632

**De La Salle School, Basildon - Teacher of Science and Teacher of Business**

Application closing date: 01/05/2018 <http://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk>

St Peter's Primary school, Dagenham would be most grateful if you could kindly advertise the following in your newsletter, please:

**St Peters Primary School Dagenham - Deputy Head Teacher required,** From: September 2018. Please contact school for application pack on Tel. 0208 270 6524. Closing date 11 May 2018. [www.st-peter.bardaglea.org.uk](http://www.st-peter.bardaglea.org.uk).

**Appointment:** The Governors of St John Payne Catholic School are delighted to announce the appointment of Thomas Coen as Headteacher, effective from 1st September 2018