

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Sylvia Monaghan RIP

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR C

13th Jan 2019 9.00 am The People of our Parish

11.00 am Jackie Presland RIP

5.00 pm Janusz Stranc RIP

MONDAY *No morning Mass*

TUESDAY 10.15 am Brigitte Cronin RIP

WEDNESDAY 9.15 am Intentions of The Padre Pio Prayer Group

THURSDAY **St Anthony, Abbot**

9.15 am Intentions of Katrina May Shaw

FRIDAY 9.15 am Denzil & Louise Reeves RIP

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Denis Daly RIP (Anniv)

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Peace Sunday

20th Jan 2019 9.00 am Edith & Jack Hinchliffe RIP

11.00 am Dorothy & Frank Johnson RIP (Anniv)

5.00 pm Brigitte Cronin RIP (Anniv)

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 Evangelisation

Loving Father, You so loved the world that you sent us your only Son, that we might believe in him and have eternal life. May we encounter Jesus Christ anew this day and live the Good News with joy. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to “go out to the whole world and proclaim” our faith with confidence. Give us the courage to witness to the Joy of the Gospel by our words and actions. Help our parish to become more welcoming and missionary, so that you may be known and loved by all people. We make this prayer through Our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Parish Safeguarding Representative Adrian Scantlebury Tel: 01277 623325

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

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Hall Bookings: canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com

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

You may have come across the story about the baby who was baptised a few years ago. After the baptism had ended, as the family were driving back home, the parents noticed that the baby's older brother was sobbing in the back seat. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, "That priest said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, but I want to stay with you guys!"

Although it is meant to be a joke, this anecdote does bring out an important aspect of baptism which is worth reflecting on as we celebrate the Feast day of the Baptism of Jesus. Whether we were baptised as children or whether we chose to have our children baptised, by doing so we made a promise to God: we made a promise that we would do our best to try and live our lives as members of God's family, the Church. As parents, there is also an additional responsibility that you take on of raising your child within the faith and educating your child about the Catholic Faith.

And just as we make a promise to God, in the same way God makes a promise to us on the day of our baptism, a promise which I think is beautifully encapsulated by the words of the Father in the gospel. As Jesus emerged from the River Jordan the voice of the Father said: "This is my Son, the Beloved, and my favour rests on Him."

In the same way, the Father said to us on the day of our baptism, "you are my son, you are my daughter the beloved and my favour rests on you." God's love never leaves us but sadly we sometimes forget to return that love. As we celebrate the feast day of Jesus' baptism this may be a good opportunity to reflect on how well we are living out our baptismal promises as we strive to be faithful to God's call to be His disciples. *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.

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.

New Parishioners: If you are new to our parish, do please introduce yourself to Father Dan at the end of Mass. New parishioners are encouraged to fill in a registration form which can be found in the church porch. We are also able to arrange a visit from some existing parishioners if you would like more information about what is available in our parish.

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 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**.

HALL BOOKINGS The booking officer is Katie Smith who can be contacted by e-mail canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com

Emmanuel Church Car Park & Quilters School: A gentle reminder to parishioners to avoid parking in the Emmanuel Church car park and in front of Quilters School when you come to Mass at the weekend.

Alpha Course: It's now too late to join this year's Alpha course. If you would like to join the next Alpha course that we will be running in the parish please fill in the registration form or email: alpha@mostholyredeemer.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME AND IN HOSPITAL:

Michael Adshead, Sara Abbs, Gerard Lawlor, Margaret Andrews, Peter & Cecilia Clegg, Maureen Bewick, Mary Cronjaeger, Mary Carr, Peter Patterson, Dorothy Wheeler, Margaret Bunker, Grace Howlett, Michael Howlett, Anna Sullivan, John Gaut, Frederick Stocks, Peter Bion, John Hegarty, Priska Wiederkehr.

May the healing power of the Holy Spirit come down upon all who are ill.

Sick and Housebound Parishioners: To comply with the new regulations on data protection, we need to update the list for our sick at home and in hospital. If you wish your name or that of a relative or friend to go on the sick list in the newsletter, please contact the parish office either by telephone or email. You need the permission of the person concerned for their name to be published.

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:

ANNIVERSARIES: William Allison, Charles Sproul, Janusz Stranc, Alice Glavin, Frank Britt, Bill Walker, Jack Morrow, Michael Johnson, Irene Young, Rose Speller, May Glen, Bridget Lydon.

Clergy: Fr John King, Fr Gilbert Pearson, Fr Neville Banks, Fr Kenneth Green, Canon Charles Kuypers, Mgr Canon David Donnelly.

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

George Pritchard R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of George Pritchard who died on Saturday 29th December in Queens Hospital. May he rest in peace.

Bereavement Support Group: We have set up a small group of volunteers who are available to support those who are coping with terminal illness and bereavement. Those involved have experienced this themselves and are able to offer a small amount of time, either for a phone call or, if requested, a visit. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

KIDS' CORNER

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JOHN
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JESUS

PEOPLE
SHAPE
DOVE
VOICE
REST
SPIRIT
FIRE

Bazaar photos: There are some Santa photos ready for collection – if your child had a photo taken and you haven't received it, please collect it from the Parish office. Thank-you.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

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MONDAY

Restorative Exercise 1st Session **10am**
2nd Session **12 noon**, 3rd Session **2pm** (Small Hall)
Guides

TUESDAY

Tea and coffee in the Lounge after Mass
Brownies

WEDNESDAY

Church Cleaning
Ladies Group 9.30am (Lounge)
Rainbows & Brownies

THURSDAY

Padre Pio Prayer Group 10am (Lounge)
MHRCC Rehearsal 4.30pm
Choir Rehearsal: **11am Choir: 7pm 9am Choir: 8pm**
Justice & Peace Group meeting 8pm (Lounge)

SATURDAY

Sacrament of Reconciliation 11am -12 noon

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OFFERINGS Thank you for your generous **Offerings last Sunday** of **£2112.96 (£1596.90 Gift Aided)** and **£123.17** in the **CAFOD BOX** to support our parish **CAFOD Project** in **Sebeya, Ethiopia.**

Standing Order: the most efficient way for you to support our parish financially. Please fill in a form in the Church porch and return it to your bank. If you are a tax payer do think seriously about Gift Aiding your donations. Gift Aid forms are available at the back of the church.

Vision Document: Shaping Our Future. Bishop Alan has recorded a video message to all parishioners that can be viewed on the Diocese's website www.dioceseofbrentwood.net by clicking on the News button. Please take time to watch and listen to this message. In the News section you will also find a link to the Vision Document: Shaping Our Future. This is an online resource in line with our early commitment to making better use of technology. Viewing the document online enables it to be read in large print and some people have access to read aloud functions. We also have hard copies of the booklets for those who cannot access the online version.

Parish Meeting about the Basildon, Billericay and Wickford Parish Partnership: On Sunday, 3rd February after the 11am Mass we will be having an open meeting in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre to discuss our parish partnership with the neighbouring parishes of Basildon and Wickford. At this meeting there will be an opportunity to ask questions and to find out more about how the partnership will work in practice.

Parking in the Parish Car Park: Sadly we have had a few incidents in the last six months of parishioners sustaining damage to their cars while parked in the parish car park. If you are aware that you have accidentally hit or scratched another car while entering or exiting the car park it is your responsibility to leave a note on the car that has been damaged. If you require paper or pens these are available in the Sacristy upon request.

Spring Spirituality Talk Mgr David Manson will be giving a talk on “The Spirituality of Pope Francis”- Saturday 19th January 2019 - 10.30am-12 noon at Cathedral House Conference Centre, Brentwood.

Contact details: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org Tel. 01277 265285.

The Gospel of Luke: On Wednesdays 23rd and 30th January at 7pm Fr Adrian Graffy will lead an exploration of the Gospel of Luke, the gospel being read on Sundays in 2019. These ‘Gidea Park Faith Evenings’ will take place in the hall at the Catholic Church, 410 Brentwood Road, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. Book by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com Refreshments provided. Admission free.

Healing Service: If you are feeling stressed, anxious, emotionally/psychologically broken or generally struggling with life, you are warmly invited to attend the English Martyrs' Healing Service from 6-8pm Saturday 26th January for emotional, psychological and spiritual healing. To register your attendance please email HealingService@English-Martyrs.com or contact Mandy on 0780 1470 516. English Martyrs RC Church, 240 Alma Ave, Hornchurch RM12 6BJ.

Billericay Circle of The Catenian Association is a social organisation for Catholic men. Our aim is to strengthen family life through friendship and faith which we do through monthly meetings with dinner afterwards and the organisation of social activities with our families. We also raise funds for Charity. The Billericay Circle was founded in 1995 and currently has 58 members (known as Brothers). We meet at Reids and our planned Social activities over the next month are as follows:

22nd January – Burns night with our Ladies and Guests

31st January - Evening tour of Billericay Brewing Company

If you are interested in finding out more about the Catenians please contact our Membership Officer: Pepe Mullerat on 07710 712330

BCYS Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage: For those in school year 10 or above. Applications will be open from the evening of Sunday 21st October and will remain open **until 31st January 2019**. These can be made at www.bcys.net/events where you will also find more information about the trip. Likely travel dates will be 20th - 27th July 2019.

Brentwood Catholic Children’s Society – Children and families are now able to access direct therapeutic support in one of our clinics. Sessions take place after school or at an evening clinic at our counselling suites in Rayleigh. Our highly experienced counsellors provide support directly to the whole family or to children and adolescents on a 1:1 basis. If you are concerned that your child may need someone to talk to, please contact Catherine on cmunns@bccs.org.uk. There is a sessional charge, so please enquire.

Company sponsorship for our Youth Service? In 2019 the BCYS will take 35 young people to Costa Rica and Panama for World Youth Day with Pope Francis, and 250 young people to Lourdes to serve the ill and elderly. Each young person will have polo shirts and hoodies, and will be in lots of photos and videos – would you consider your company name and logo on the front, back and/or sleeves of each shirt and hoodie, as well as on posters and our website throughout the year? Corporate sponsorship will help young people in financial need to come to such events, and support Youth Ministry across the Diocese. If you own a company, and can help, please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or phone Fr Dominic on 01277373959.

Date for your diary: Billericay Twinning Association Annual Quiz at the Pastoral Centre (large hall) on Saturday 26th January starting at 7.30 pm. Entry is £5 per person with tables of up to eight persons. Please arrange your own tables although we shall be pleased to seat you if required. Please bring your own refreshments. For bookings and information, please contact Jeannine Watson on 01277 657624.

Churches Together in Billericay - The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity is 18th-25th January. The United Service for Churches Together in Billericay will be on Sunday 20th January at 6.30pm at St John's Church, Outwood Common Road Billericay CM11 2LE.

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit www.catholicingles.org.uk or tel. 0161 941 3498

BAPTISM Congratulations to the families of Poppy Rose Hansford and Lottie Cecilia Florence Brooker who were Baptised in our Church recently. May the Lord help them to bring up their children in the knowledge and love of God.

Diocesan Directory for 2019 is in the Church porch cost £2.75