

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Intentions of Avril and John Grumbt
TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY YEAR C		Education Day
8th Sept 2019	9.00 am	The People of our Parish
	11.00 am	Ray Edwards RIP (Anniv)
	5.00 pm	Martin Stokes RIP (Anniv)
MONDAY	<i>No morning Mass</i>	
TUESDAY	10.15 am	Fr Val Carroll RIP (Anniv)
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am	Phyllis and Tom McLay RIP
THURSDAY	9.15 am	Thomas McCarthy RIP (Gladding)
FRIDAY	St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor	
	9.15 am	Marian Mallet RIP
SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Intentions of Tim, Alex and Family
TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY YEAR C		Home Mission Day
15th Sept 2019	9.00 am	The People of our Parish
	11.00 am	Breda Quirke RIP
	5.00 pm	George Robertson RIP

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.

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

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF YEAR C

8th September 2019



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

A few years ago I attended a Conference of Priests in Leeds looking at how we can encourage and support families and one of the speakers at the Conference was a man called David Wells. If you haven't heard of him before, David is a very engaging, very funny speaker and he told us about something that happened to his family while they were returning along the motorway back to their home in Exeter.

His youngest son was at that stage where he was constantly asking questions and so, every few miles along the motorway he would ask his dad what the different road signs meant. By the time they eventually got home, it was getting late but his son still didn't want to go to sleep. When David went up to see what was wrong, his son turned to him and said with a serious expression on his face: "Dad, does tiredness really kill?" He had seen the road sign along the motorway and was convinced that if he closed his eyes to go to sleep, he might not wake up again!

We might have a similar reaction when we hear Jesus' words in our Gospel today. Does Jesus really mean that we can't be his followers unless we hate our parents, our spouses, our children and our brothers and sisters? These are hard words and maybe the reason why Jesus is using such stark language is to make the point that to be one of his disciples must involve being prepared to make sacrifices.

The world is full of people who talk about wanting to be involved but who, when it comes to the crunch, aren't willing to commit. But if we are to be His disciples then, like the first apostles, we must be prepared to take the next step. This weekend we all have an opportunity to do just that by filling in the Time and Talents forms that will be distributed during the Homily. As you complete these forms I would ask you to please be generous and ask the Lord how you can use the talents that He has given you to serve Him and His People in our parish community. **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 Safeguarding Representative Adrian Scantlebury Tel: 01277 623325

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 Jane Maddocks 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. If at all possible please could you refrain from parking on the pavement next to Quilters School to avoid blocking the pavement for pedestrians.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME AND IN HOSPITAL:

Gary Dean, John Torrie, Michael Adshead, Margaret Goldstone, Ruth Gillespie, Sara Abbs, Jonathan Sheldon, Gerard Lawlor, Margaret Andrews, Peter Clegg, Maureen Bewick, Mary Cronjaeger, Mary Carr, Peter Patterson, Joanna Lyon, 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 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:

Iris Sage RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Iris Sage. Iris was involved in a serious accident in the High Street where she sustained fatal injuries. Her funeral arrangements are still to be confirmed.

Matthew Bion RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Matthew, who died this week. We remember particularly Kathy, Peter & Patrick and all the family at this very sad time.

ANNIVERSARIES: Ron Chitty, Violet Woodrow, Ray Edwards, Annie Rogers, Jill Field, Marie Wheeler, Peter Fordham, Carlo Walker, Terence Watts. **Clergy:** Mgr Canon Michael Wilson, Fr Charles Johnson, Fr Conrad Smith, Fr Theophilus Borer, Abbot George Andrew Beck, Canon James Hemming, Deacon Arthur Woods, Fr Louis Heston.

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

Bette McHugh, Barbara Hodges and the family of the late Jennifer Ryan, thank most sincerely Father Dan for his care, support and spiritual guidance in their recent bereavement. Also sincere thanks to the parish family and friends for the Mass cards, floral tributes and messages of comfort and support which were treasured by them. A Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

Time and Talents Weekend: This weekend at all of the Masses we will be asking all of you to consider how you can become more involved in our parish by filling out a Time and Talents form listing all of the different groups and organisations that we have within our parish.

First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion 2019-20 Preparation classes start next Saturday, 14th September at 9.20 in the Pastoral Centre. A couple of reminders! Parents: we're still missing a few photographs for our display board in church - we'd be grateful if you could bring them with you on Saturday. And children: don't forget to bring your bookmarks! **(NB These classes are for families who have already submitted application forms)**

Parish Partnership Plan for the Basildon, Billericay and Wickford Partnership: Hard copies of the draft Pastoral Plan for the Basildon, Billericay and Wickford Parish Partnership are available at the back of the church and are available for download on our parish website. In order to download a copy of the plan go to www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk and then click on Newsletter and choose News Archive from the drop down menu. If you have any comments about any aspect of the Pastoral Plan do please contact the Parish Office or speak to Father Dan or David Mullen, our Steward of the Gospel. This plan will be submitted to the diocese at the beginning of December.

RCIA: About Becoming Catholic If you are not a Catholic, or if you are an adult Catholic who has not made their First Holy Communion or Confirmation, you are very welcome to come along to the first session of our RCIA Course which will begin again on **Monday, 30th September at 8pm** in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre (the building behind the church). For more information about the RCIA, please speak to Father Dan or contact the Parish Office.

Evangelisation: Why/What/How? On Friday, 4th October Michael Dopp will be leading a workshop on "What is Evangelisation and What holds us back?" from 2.30pm to 5pm. He will then be presenting a lecture on the importance of Evangelisation in a parish context from 6.30pm to 9pm. Both events will take place in the Cathedral Hall at Brentwood. If you would like to go, tickets are available via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/evangelisation-whywhathow-michael-dopp-tickets-66879385041> or you can email adeleangel@dioceseofbrentwood.org or contact the Parish Office.

BCYS Youth Gather, Mersea Island, 26th-27th October 2019 (half term weekend). The Youth Gather is for anyone in school year 9-13, and includes a mix of inspiring speakers, reflection and prayer, together with outward bound activities like zip wires, high ropes and climbing walls. The cost of £50 includes coach from Stratford, Romford, Basildon, Brentwood, Chelmsford or Southend, as well as all meals and activities. Full details and online booking at <https://bcys.net/events/youth-gather-2019/>

The MacMillan World's Largest Coffee Morning 27th September 9.30am-12pm in the small hall of the Pastoral Centre. Last year we raised £730 plus gift aid and hope that this year will be bigger and better for such a great cause. We need help on the day with refreshments, selling raffle tickets etc and would also be grateful for any donations to the raffle and most importantly **homemade cakes** (or shop bought) to serve with tea/coffee and to sell. Please bring donations to the hall in the morning or contact Caoilfhionn on [07843491604](tel:07843491604) / chcubitt@gmail.com if you would like to donate and/or volunteer. Hope to see you all there.

Family Bingo Night on Saturday 5th October in the Large Hall of the Pastoral Centre from 7.15pm to 10pm to raise funds for **HCPT Group 8** who are taking children to Lourdes Easter 2020. Tickets are £7 Adults £3 Children. Lots of prizes to be won. BYO Drinks as no licenced bar. Please do not bring snacks or soft drinks as there will be a tuck shop and food will be on sale. Pre-Order Pizza. 13" (10 Large Slices) £12 Cheese and Tomato or £14 Pepperoni. For Tickets and Pizza Pre Orders please contact Will Wallis; william.wallis@gam.com or Tel 07847 395585.

Billericay Catholic Preschool is hosting a 'Back to School' party in the pastoral centre on Saturday 28 September from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. It'll be an afternoon of music, fun and games and is open to all families with children of pre-school and primary age. Family tickets are £10 each, which admit two adults and up to four children. Individual child and adult tickets are also available. Please email bcpsfundraisers@gmail.com for more details. The Pre-School are also one of the three Waitrose 'green token' charities this month, and would like to ask parishioners to remember them whilst they're shopping in there.

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.

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.