

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Intentions of Dorothy Hales (Galligan)

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

4th July 2021 9.00 am Phyllis & Desiré De Smedt RIP
11.00 am Anne Feeney-McGarr RIP (McKay)

MONDAY *No Parish Mass today*

TUESDAY 10.15 am Denzil & Louise Reeves RIP

WEDNESDAY 9.15 am Gerry Lawlor RIP (Hasson)
11.00 am Mary Kelliher RIP **REQUIEM**

THURSDAY *No Parish Mass today*

FRIDAY 9.15 am Peter Patterson RIP (Spurling)

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Ann & Alan Turner RIP

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

11th July 2021 9.00 am Intentions of Maggie Wordingham
11.00 am Therese O'Mahony RIP (Condrun)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 11am to 12 noon
Please ensure that you retain social distancing while you are waiting for the sacrament and that you allow a short gap between confessions for the room to be sanitised.

Prayer to St Joseph:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you, Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.**

**Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.**

**Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.**

11am Mass Dial In Service: If you would like to listen in to the Sunday 11am Mass you can do so by **phoning 0333 0112 308**

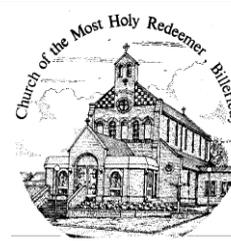
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Do make sure that you press the mute or silent button on your phone to cut down on background noise. Please note that there will just be one Mass broadcast live via the Masslink.

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*As a parish community we are committed to **Growing Together in Faith & Love.***

Reflection from Fr Adrian Graffy

Today's gospel reading gives us an account of the visit of Jesus to his 'home town', which we know to be Nazareth. Just as he has already done in Capernaum, here too he teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. But the reaction of the townspeople is not positive. How can this local man be gifted with so many fine qualities? They are determined to find fault with his wisdom and with his actions. They go on to speak of his family. They know his mother, and they know his relations. His humble origins rule out anything special. 'And they would not accept him.'

The sense of the Greek word used here suggests they were determined to find excuses for not accepting him. John's gospel will express this with the momentous words: 'He came to his own, and his own would not accept him.' (John 1:11)

This passage is important in the unfolding drama of the gospel. It was not only the religious and political leaders who were against Jesus. Jesus quotes what seems to be a common proverb in antiquity: 'A prophet is only despised in his own home.' The passage ends with the strange remark that 'he could work no miracles there'. The healing work of Jesus is not forced on those who do not wish to receive it, and who are not open to the new deeds the Lord is doing.

The text from the prophet Ezekiel confirms that, like Jesus, the ancient prophets of Israel often experienced rejection. St Paul, facing 'a thorn in the flesh', hears those comforting words of the Lord: 'My grace is enough for you.' We too should trust the goodness of God in our efforts to witness to Christ.

What does the rejection of Jesus in Nazareth teach us?

What do you think motivated the attitude of Jesus' compatriots?

Let us pray for those who face opposition because they live according to the values of the gospel.

Let us pray for missionaries and for those who witness to the truth amid injustice.

YouTube Links for weekend Masses:

This weekend Mass times are at 6pm on Saturday and at 9am and 11am on Sunday. The 11am Mass will also be available to listen to on the telephone link. The YouTube links are provided below.

6pm on Saturday, 3rd July (14th Sunday in Ordinary

Time): <https://youtu.be/2duYhBOfmoQ>

9am on Sunday, 4th July (14th Sunday in Ordinary Time):

<https://youtu.be/IJ5WRMpThIU>

The 11am Mass will also be available to listen to via the telephone link.

Coming to the weekend Masses: Please note that you no longer need to book in advance in order to attend one of the weekend Masses. If you would like to come to one of the Masses at the weekend do please make sure that you arrive in plenty of time before the start of the Mass that you are planning to attend and give your track and trace details to the Stewards when you arrive.

Weekday Livestreamed Masses:

If you'd like to watch livestreams of the Weekday Masses you can either follow the link from our parish website or subscribe to our parish YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNg5Uaks5YLB6s4MK-yM6GQ>)

Weekday Masses for the week beginning Monday, 5th July:

This week Masses will be celebrated on Wednesday and Friday at 9.15am and on Tuesday at 10.15am. **Please note that there is no 9.15am Parish Mass on Monday because Father Dan is away.**

The church will be open for private prayer this week on **Friday** from 9am to 1pm. While the church is open you will be allowed to light votive candles in front of the Sacred Heart and Lady Chapels but you will still need to sign in when you enter the church by using the NHS Covid App.

Order of Mass: If you would like to follow the prayers of the Mass while watching the livestream or you want to print off the prayers for when you attend Mass in person you can do so by following this link:

<https://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Missal/Text/MCFL.pdf>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated in the church every Saturday from 11am-12pm. If you are planning to come to confession please ensure that you retain social distancing while you are waiting for the sacrament and that you allow a short gap between confessions for the room to be sanitized

Coordinator of Music for the 11am Sunday Mass: We are delighted to announce that Alison Connolly has been appointed as the new Coordinator of Music for the 11am Mass. Alison will be taking up her post later in the month.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK AT HOME, IN HOSPITAL AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

Mary Kelliher RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Kelliher. Mary's Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 7th July at 11am.

Rita Burl RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rita Burl, who died during the week. Funeral arrangements pending.

Bernadette & Gabriel Donohoe Please pray for the repose of the souls of Bernadette (sister of Mary Maguire) also her husband Gabriel, who died on the 24 & 27 June respectively in Co Louth, Ireland. Bernadette had been ill with cancer for several years and in later years Gabriel contracted cancer and motor neurone disease. Joint cremations took place in Cavan on 30 June.

May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES: Gwen Wilks, Ronald Morgan, Giselda Yarrow, Sheila Pearce, James Rourke, Terry Lewis, David Bowman, Mary Humphreys, Ellen Redmond and Frank Wilding.

Clergy: Fr Patrick Curran, Fr Patrick Carthy, Canon Thomas Barrett, Fr Peter Brady, Canon Francis Gilbert.

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

Parish Office: Next week the Parish Office is open Monday & Wednesday from 9am – 12 noon. You should only come to the office if it is an urgent matter or if you have an appointment. Otherwise, we would ask at this time that you email or phone.

Volunteers Co-ordinator: Kathy Smith has kindly agreed to be our new Volunteers Co-ordinator. If there is any ministry or parish organisation which you are interested in joining please contact Kathy either by emailing the Parish Office (office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk) or by phoning during office hours on 01277 624891. Kathy will then put you in touch with the relevant organisation or group that you are interested in joining.

RCIA: If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, or if you know an adult Catholic who would like to make their First Holy Communion or Confirmation, please ask them to email the Parish Office or to speak to Father Dan after one of the weekend Masses. We are planning to begin a new RCIA course in the autumn.

Alpha Course We are planning to run an online Alpha Course in September. In advance of this, members of the Alpha Team will be speaking at the end of the weekend Masses on the weekend of the 17th and 18th of July.

KIDS' CORNER

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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WOLVES	PURSE	HAVERSACK
SANDALS	SALUTE	PEACE
HOUSE	OFFER	WAGES
WELCOME	STREETS	DUST
FEET	LIGHTNING	HEAVEN
POWER	UNDERFOOT	REJOICE

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has several charity places for the **Virtual London Marathon** taking place over 24 hours on 3rd October 2021. This can be run anywhere and on completion, runners will receive the official London Marathon Finisher's medal and New Balance T shirt. If you would like one of our places and think you could raise a fundraising total of £300, please email Julie jabbott@bccs.org.uk for registration details.

Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer: This prayer is to be said during Communion while watching or listening to the Mass.

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

Standing Orders: A very big "thank you" to all of you who have been supporting our parish through Standing Orders. Without your support we would be in severe financial difficulty due to the loss of income from the weekly collection.

If you would like to set up a Standing Order you can find the forms on the parish website: <https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/giftaid.php>
 This form needs to be returned to your bank or building society.

If you are a tax payer and you are not currently part of our parish Gift Aid scheme, you can also print off a Gift Aid form from the website which needs to be returned to the Parish Office. The link is here:

https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/includes/pages/parish/giftaid/gift_aid_declaration.pdf

By gift aiding your donations it means that we are able to claim an extra 25p from the Inland Revenue for every £1 that you give to the parish. **However, please note that if you are part of the Gift Aid scheme you cannot claim more in Gift Aid than you pay in tax.**

If you have any queries about setting up a Standing Order or about joining the Gift Aid scheme please don't hesitate to phone or email the Parish Office.

QR Codes for donations to the church: This weekend we are introducing a new way of donating to the church for those who have not already set up Standing Orders. In the porch entrance you will find a laminated card with QR codes listing different sums of money. There is also the option to Gift Aid your donation if you wish to do so. Once you have selected the QR code that you wish to use, all you need to do is to use your mobile phone to scan the QR code and the donation will then be deducted from your account and sent electronically to the parish bank account.

Our Lady's Grotto and Covid Memorial Garden:

As our parish project this year we want to transform the space behind the Pastoral Centre where the mobile phone mast used to be and turn it into a Grotto and Memorial Garden dedicated to all of those parishioners who lost their lives during the course of the pandemic. The plan will be to have a statue of Our Lady, paving and benches for those who wish to spend some time praying in the garden. We estimate that this project will cost approximately £15,000. Thank you to all of you who have already donated money to support this effort. We have already raised around **£11,500** thanks to your incredible generosity.

If you would like to donate to this project you can do so either by writing a cheque made payable to "Catholic Church Billericay" and put on the envelope: "Our Lady's Grotto" or alternatively, if you would prefer to make a bank transfer you can do so by emailing the Parish Office and we will send you our bank details. If you choose to do this please put "Grotto" as the reference.

If you would like to watch a short video that Father Dan has put together about the Grotto you can do so by following this link:

<https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/news.php?page=2021-05-28%2000:00:00&type=news>

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will not take place this Sunday, 4th July. Exposition will begin again on Sunday, 11th July at 5pm in the church.

Baptisms: In order for your child to be baptised at the Most Holy Redeemer you do need to be attending Mass on a regular basis and we would ask that instead of emailing or phoning the Parish Office, in the first instance you speak to Father Dan at the end of one of the weekend Masses.

First Holy Communion 2022 Because of the Covid restrictions we haven't been able to complete the First Holy Communion preparation for this year's First Holy Communion children. This means that for children who will be going into Year 3 in September or for children in Year 3 who will be going into Year 4 and are not on this year's First Holy Communion course, the next First Holy Communion course will begin in Spring 2022.

Please note that in order to join the 2022 First Holy Communion programme you do need to be a practising Catholic family. We will also be expecting families on next year's course to be prepared to take on a ministry or act of service within the parish while the First Holy Communion preparation is ongoing. More details will be given about this nearer the time.

Confirmation 2022 Our Confirmation programme for young people who will be going into Year 10 in September will begin in January 2022. More information about how to apply will be announced at the parish Masses nearer the time.

Reverend Michael Barwick: Please pray for Michael who will be ordained a priest for our diocese on Saturday, 10th July at the Cathedral. Michael will be celebrating the weekend Masses in our parish on 21st and 22nd of August.

Justice and Peace Group: Like other groups we have been unable to meet since February 2020 and the number of members has decreased since then. It is the consensus of members that we sadly can't sustain the activities of the group for the future. If any parishioners feel they could take forward the issues that the J & P have championed in the past the chairman and other member would be very happy to offer support. The group has been active supporting many causes for over thirty years and I wish to thank all past and present member for all their contributions. Gareth Herbert - Chairman

Vacancy: Parish Halls Cleaner:

Parish Cleaner Salary: £10.00 per hour. Hours: 10 hours per week.

Location: Canon Roche Pastoral Centre, Billericay. We are recruiting for a Cleaner to clean the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre. The successful candidate will begin work from the 1st of September 2021. This role would suit someone who has previous experience working in a similar environment who can be flexible and sensitive to the needs of a wide range of site users. If you - or any of your family or friends- are interested in this role, further information and a full job description can be obtained by contacting the Most Holy Redeemer Parish Office on 01277 624891 or by email: office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk. Applicants are asked to submit a CV and covering letter and should highlight how their skills and experience meet the requirements of the role. Please forward applications to office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk by Friday, 9th July. Interviews are expected to be held week commencing Monday, 19th July.

St. Peter's Catholic Primary School, Celebrating 50 years: Some of you will already know that during the first lockdown St. Peter's marked its 50th anniversary, and it was planned to kick off a year of celebrations. The Friends (PTA), are hoping to raise enough funds for a permanent legacy in the school. To raise money for this we are currently selling limited edition stationary sets, with our special 50th logo on, of a pencil, ruler, rubber and sharpener for £5. We are also selling logo'd coffee mugs for £3 and enamelled 50th pin badges for £1.50. If you would like to purchase any, or want to see what they look like, please email thefriendsofstp@hotmail.co.uk

Thresholds of Hope Website: The Thresholds of Hope website has now been launched. This new online resource is the work of the Brentwood Diocese Vicariate for Adult Formation and aims to help adults to deepen their relationship with Christ and His Church. Please have a look at the website and watch it develop over time. Do let us know what you think of it. The website address is www.thresholdofhope.co.uk