

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Mary Bowditch RIP
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B 19 th Sept 2021	9.00 am	Eileen Corking RIP
	11.00 am	Marcelle Thurlow RIP
MONDAY	St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs.	
	9.15 am	Denzil & Louise Reeves RIP
TUESDAY	No Parish Mass today	
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am	Alan Griffiths RIP (Patterson)
THURSDAY	No Parish Mass today	
FRIDAY	Our Lady of Walsingham	
	9.15 am	Margaret Goldstone RIP (Johnson)
SATURDAY	6.00 pm	The People of our Parish
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B 26 th Sept 2021	9.00 am	Peter Patterson RIP (1 st Anniv)
	11.00 am	Intentions of Janet & Tom Dean (40 th Wedding Anniv)

Confessions: The Sacrament of Confession is now being celebrated every Saturday from 11am to 12pm in the church. There is no need to make an appointment if you would like to attend.

Parish Safeguarding Representative Adrian Scantlebury Tel: 01277 623325

New Covid Guidance from the Catholic Bishops' Conference:

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has issued additional guidance to parishes regarding the celebration of Mass after the 19th of July. If you would like to read the full document you can do so by following this link:

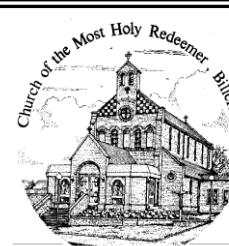
<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2021/05/CBCEW-COVID-Step-4-Guidance-150721b.pdf>

The Sunday Obligation: Included with the Bishops' Conference guidance is a document entitled "Sunday – It is our Day" which explains the importance of attending Mass in person. If you would like to read this, you can do so by following this link: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/sunday-it-is-our-day/>

Parish Office: Next week the Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9am – 12 noon.

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

19th September 2021



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

Reflection from Fr Adrian Graffy

The second half of the Gospel of Mark is dominated by the journey towards Jerusalem, the place of the death and resurrection of Jesus. Since this gospel is comparatively short, the tension of this journey is more evident than in the other gospels, as Jesus draws his reluctant and confused disciples to face the mystery of his cross.

For the second time Jesus announces his coming death. He will be handed over and put to death. Three days after he will rise again. While Peter had reacted strongly to similar words of Jesus in the previous chapter, here there is simply bewilderment.

The following verses underline that the disciples are not yet ready to face up to what Jesus has said. Their preoccupation is still with status and their relative positions in Jesus' company. Mark does not hesitate to present the disciples as having much to learn, both about the conditions for following Jesus and about the prospect of his martyrdom. Jesus' answer is to call them to accept the position of the least, and he illustrates this by placing a child before them.

Our first reading, from the Book of Wisdom, speaks of the plots of the godless against the virtuous man. It is not surprising that Christians used such texts to reflect on what happened to Jesus.

So should we.

How difficult is it to accept a crucified Messiah? Do I, like the disciples, seek to avoid awkward truths which are presented to me? We pray for those who face persecution and violence because of their beliefs. We pray for the gift of true humility and appropriate ambition.

The links to this weekend's Masses are here:

6pm on Saturday, 18th September (Twenty Fifth Sunday of the Year):

<https://youtu.be/G2zyRBnLwcg>

9am on Sunday, 19th September (Twenty Fifth Sunday of the Year):

<https://youtu.be/xYeESIY8mgU>

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**

Enter Room Access Key: 158 558 54# Followed by PIN Code: 5286#

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.

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>

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>

Social Distancing at Mass:

If you would prefer to sit on a bench which is socially distanced please speak to one of the welcomers when you enter the church and they will direct you to an area of the church where we have retained social distancing.

Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer:

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.

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:

Patricia Sinnott RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Sinnott, mother of Mike, who died on 8th September. Funeral Mass will take place in Boston Lincolnshire. May she rest in peace.

Eileen Donovan RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eileen Donovan, grandmother of Kelly Love, who passed away recently. Her funeral service will be held on Tuesday 5th October at 11.30am. May she rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES: Vera Kelley, Edward Walsh, Betty Page, John Brentnall, Angel Saunders, Beryl Barr.

Clergy: Canon Frederick Gahagan, Fr John Ryan,

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

Jean Adshead RIP The Adshead family would like to thank the people of The Most Holy Redeemer parish for their generous love and care for Jean during the long years of her illness. Dementia is a cruel and unforgiving disease but Jean and the family took comfort from the love and prayerful support of parishioners. This was never so fully expressed as in the weeks since her death. An absolute flood of letters, cards, email messages, and Mass intentions has been received and it was a great blessing that so many family members, parishioners and friends were able to attend the inspiring and uplifting Requiem Mass celebrated on 15 September. We offer our heartfelt thanks to you all.

Standing Orders: A very big "thank you" to all 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 and CONTACTLESS GIVING

For those who have not already set up Standing Orders this is an alternative way of donating to our parish. In the porch entrance and below you will find a series of 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.

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Please treat as gift aid donation, all qualifying gifts of money made from the date of this declaration. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that, if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations, it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

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If you are unable to donate with Giftaid-It then please use the codes below.

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Parish Vision Follow Up:

Following on from the launch of our Parish Vision last weekend we will be producing a leaflet listing all of the different groups and organisations that you can get involved in within our parish. This leaflet will be available as a hard copy and also on the parish website. Once the leaflet is produced we will provide a link to it on this email.

This weekend Father Dan will be preaching on the first part of the Parish Vision: Making Disciples.

OUR PARISH VISION PRAYER

Loving Father, we ask you to bring this vision to life within us. Embolden us with a desire to grow and mature as missionary disciples of Jesus. Give us the courage and grace to reach out to others within and beyond our parish with compassion and perseverance, so that they too may encounter Jesus and become His disciples.

Lead our parish forward in the power of Your Spirit, help us to respond to Your call to evangelise by using our gifts and talents and proclaim Jesus in faith and love to all people. Amen.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place at 5pm this Sunday (19th September) in the church. You are very welcome to either come to the church in person or alternatively to follow via the livestream:

<https://youtu.be/1KmqgZk0HfY>

Sing with our Choirs: If you would like to experience the joy of singing with others, and sample a rehearsal, these have restarted in Church, socially distanced. This is an ideal time to start as we begin to prepare the wonderful Carol repertoire, traditional & new. Rehearsals take place in the church every Thursday: 7pm for the 11 o'clock Singers and 8pm for the 9 o'clock Singers. Contact Kathy on 07810123122 or Ali on 07786077212 for more information.

MHR Youth Club

The club nights for the Autumn term are: 8th Oct, 5th Nov, 3rd Dec 7.30 – 9pm at the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre. It is open to children going into years 6-8 from Sept 21. If your child is interested in joining the club then please send an email to mhr-youthclub@gmail.com and you will receive an application form with further details. Thank you, MHR Youth Club Committee (Will/Matt/Hugh).

Canon Roche Pastoral Centre: We are intending to re-open the Pastoral Centre to parish groups and external groups from September onwards but for the time being the Pastoral Centre is not available for private hires (birthday parties, baptisms etc).

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 are in Year 3 or Year 4 this September 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 practicing 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.

Calling all Altar Servers: If you are a server, or the parent of a server, and you, or your child would like to begin serving at Mass again then you would be most welcome. Please email the Parish Office at: office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk or speak to Father Dan or Sarah Dean, our Parish M.C. We would love to be able to have altar servers at all of the weekend Masses as we did before the start of the pandemic.

RCIA – About Becoming Catholic Our RCIA course for those adults who are not Catholic and who are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith and for adult Catholics who have not made their First Holy Communion or Confirmation will begin again on **Monday, 11th October at 8pm** in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre. For more information please speak to Father Dan after Mass.

Toddler's and Children's Liturgy: We are planning to restart our Toddler's and Children's Liturgy sessions during the 9am and 11am Masses from Sunday, 3rd October. At first this will be on a monthly basis on the first Sunday of every month with the intention of it becoming more regular once we have a bigger group of helpers. If you are interested in joining the Toddler's or Children's Liturgy groups please could you contact Kathy Smith at the Parish Office either by telephone or by email (office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk). Please note that as this position involves working with children it will be necessary to have a DBS certificate issued by the diocese.

The Campion School Open Evening concerning admission of boys who will be eleven years old during the current academic year will be held virtually on the school's website: www.thecampionschool.org.uk and can be found under Admissions. The Supplementary Information Form (SIF) will be available online that evening until 4pm on Friday, 22nd October 2021

Catholic Secondary Schools Applications: If your child is currently in Year 6 at Primary School and would like to be considered for a place at a Catholic Secondary School you will need to arrange an appointment with Father Dan in order to receive a Certificate of Catholic Practice. In order to do this you can either telephone the Parish Office on 01277 624891 or you can speak to Father Dan after the Mass you usually attend. A reminder that if you are applying for the Brentwood Ursuline Convent School they do not require a Certificate of Catholic Practice. Information about how to apply for Catholic Primary Schools will be issued at a later date.

Sacramental Preparation for members of the Gypsy, Roma & Traveller Communities:

We are going to be running two training sessions in the Pastoral Centre for parishioners who are interested in helping children from GRT communities prepare for the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The two training sessions will be on Thursday, 14th October and Thursday, 21st October from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. If you are interested in taking part in this please speak to Father Dan or email the Parish Office at: office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk.

Please note that as this position involves working with children, it will be necessary to have a DBS certificate issued by the diocese.

Vacancy: St. Helen's Junior Catholic Junior School Academy, Brentwood Head Teacher Vacancy for January 2022

For more information, an Application Pack or to arrange a visit, please contact the school office on 01277 213962, email: HR@st-helens-jun.essex.sch.uk. Full details and application form at: www.st-helens-jun.essex.sch.uk. Application Deadline - Monday 27th September 2021 at 10:00am

Vacancy: Part-Time Parish Administrator – Dunmow: to provide support to our Parish Office. The successful applicant will ideally be an administrator with experience in office organisation. 12.5 hours per week at £10 per hour. Closing date: **Thursday 30th September**. Contact the parish office for a full job description and application details dunmow@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Vacancies: The Campion School have the following vacancies – Relief Kitchen Assistant, Relief Cleaners, Invigilators. If you are interested in any of these roles and would like an application form, please email the Headmaster's PA, Mrs Noddings: cnoddings@thecampsionschool.org

Living Laudato Si' – Online Retreat – 15th – 18th October 2021. Open to all, this retreat will help personal prayer and reflection, and parish action, on the critical issue of care for God's creation. Bishop Alan will open the retreat, which will be led by expert speakers. For more information or email laudatosi@dioceseofbrentwood.org