

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Brian Gosby RIP
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C		
13th March 2022	9.00 am	Dennis Gillham RIP (Johnson)
	11.00 am	Eleanora Merlin RIP (Crasto)
MONDAY	9.15 am	Intentions of Christopher Galligan
TUESDAY	10.15 am	Frank Robinson RIP (Keane)
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am	Leslie Heath RIP (Greaney)
THURSDAY	<i>No Parish Mass today</i>	
FRIDAY	<i>No Parish Mass today</i>	
SATURDAY	6.00 pm	May & Ian Glen RIP
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C		
20th March 2022	9.00 am	Dorothy & Frank Johnson RIP (Anniv)
	11.00 am	Peter O'Hanlon RIP

Weekday Masses next week will be on Monday and Wednesday at 9.15am, and Tuesday at 10.15am.

Confessions take place every Saturday morning in the church from 11am to 12pm and by appointment. During Lent we are strongly encouraged to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation in advance of Easter, particularly if it has been a long time since the last time we celebrated the sacrament.

Parish Safeguarding Representative Adrian Scantlebury Tel: 01277 623325

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place as usual at 5pm this Sunday (13th March) at 5pm in the church. Our prayer intention will be for the people of Ukraine. Exposition is also available to watch via the livestream: <https://youtu.be/23aJHmWLi8I>

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C

13th March 2022



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

Reflection from Fr Adrian Graffy

After the stark reading about the temptations of Jesus in last Sunday's gospel we hear the gospel of the Transfiguration on the second Sunday of Lent.

The story, found in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, is an extraordinary one, narrating a mysterious event which deeply struck the disciples. Jesus is seen transformed by three of his disciples. His face is changed and he wears brilliant clothing, which suggests the life of the resurrection.

Moses and Elijah are with him. These two great figures from the Scriptures were believed, after many trials, to have been taken to the presence of God. No burial-place of Moses was ever found. Elijah, it was believed, had been taken up to heaven in a chariot.

Luke says that they speak with Jesus of his 'passing' or 'exodus', his leaving this world to return to the Father, that journey through suffering and death which they too have known. It is as if they provide encouragement as Jesus begins his journey to Jerusalem and to death.

The story of the Transfiguration is very elaborate. We read it in Lent both to focus on the triumph of Jesus beyond the cross, and to hear again the words: This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him!

Above all it invites us to accompany Jesus as he journeys through death to the life of the resurrection, a life which God prepares for us too, a life we can scarcely imagine.

What message can we take from the gospel of the Transfiguration in times of trial?

Do I really listen to the words of the Son, found in the Holy Scriptures?

We pray for courage as we face the difficulties of life.

We pray for the freedom to allow the hope of the resurrection to transform our lives

YouTube Links for weekend Masses:

6pm on Saturday, 12th March (Second Sunday of Lent):

<https://youtu.be/uJaAJWCzfXg>

9am on Sunday, 13th March (Second Sunday of Lent):

<https://youtu.be/VC0g1Whq3MI>

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>

Toddler's and Children's Liturgy this weekend:

Toddler's and Children's Liturgy will take place at the 9am Mass this weekend but not at the 11am Mass because of a shortage of volunteers. Toddler's and Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass will currently be on **the first Sunday of every month** until we are able to get more catechists.

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.

VACANCIES: SIMS Manager and Examinations officer at Sacred Heart of Mary School, Upminster.

Full time, contract term Permanent, start date June. For further details about the school and an application form please refer to the website www.sacredheartofmary.net Deadline: Tuesday 22nd March 2022

PA/Executive Assistant to the Director of Education, Brentwood Diocese

Further details are available on the Diocesan Website or can be requested by calling 01277 265284. Send a CV and a covering letter, highlighting how your skills and experience match the job description and person specification, to recruitment@dioceseofbrentwood.org Deadline: **1pm, 16th March 2022**

Workshop Technician – Design & Technology Department, The Champion School (part time) The successful applicant would be expected to work in the Design & Technology Department across all three key stages. Please apply on line (via JobsGoPublic). Deadline: **12 noon, 14th March 2022.**

Science Technician, Kitchen Assistant and Relief Cleaners – The Champion School. Please email for details: cnoddings@thecampionschool.org

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:

Clare McCarthy R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Clare McCarthy who died recently. Clare's Requiem Mass will take place at 1pm on Friday, 25th March. We pray for John and for all of the McCarthy family at this difficult time. May she rest in peace.

Lucy Burton RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lucy Burton, a former parishioner for many years, who died on Saturday 5th March. May she rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES: William Overs, Mollie Hosegood, Lillian Cox, Philip Parks, Patrick Fernando, Mary McGarr, Ernest Hales.

Clergy: Fr William Luby, Canon Martin Horkan, Fr Donal Donegan.

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

John Thomson RIP: Pat and family would like to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation to the parishioners of The Most Holy Redeemer for their kind words of comfort and support, Mass cards, messages of condolence and for attending John's Requiem Mass at the Church. Thank you also for your donations to the Alzheimer's Society in John's memory.

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 this link: https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/includes/pages/parish/giftaid/gift_aid_declaration.pdf and return to the Parish Office. 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.** Any queries please phone or email the Parish Office.

<p>Brentwood Diocesan Directory 2022 available in the Church porch (£2 – please put money in the paper box in the wall)</p>
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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 amount that you wish to use, all you need to do is to use the camera on your mobile phone to scan the QR code and you will be directed to a page to give your bank details. You will be given an option to save these details 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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CAFOD Lent Appeal:

Every child should grow up big and strong. Lent Fast Day is a day when we eat simply and give generously to support mums around the world, with expert training in growing and making healthy food. Your small act of love this Lent will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. We particularly remember the families in the Ukraine. We are observing Lent Fast Day on **Friday 18th March**. You can make a donation in the CAFOD envelopes which are being given out this weekend or in a gift aid envelope. Cheques should be made out to **Catholic Church Billericay (not CAFOD)**.

Ukraine Appeal:

Caritas Diocese of Brentwood has a webpage dedicated to ways that people can offer practical help and support to the Ukrainian people – through prayer, financial donations, and donations of food, medical supplies and clothing. All the information is at: www.caritasbrentwood.org/ukraine
You can also donate specific items at a donation point organised by Key Lime PR and Marketing in Billericay High Street in the office block next to the Police Station. On arrival please press the buzzer for Key Lime, donation boxes will be set up for you to put your various items into.

The items they are collecting are: Sanitary towels & tampons, Toothbrushes, Tooth paste, Body wash, Wet wipes, Packets of tissues, First aid kits, Field Bandages, Strong paracetamol, Ibuprofen, Cold and flu treatment, Antiseptic cream, Bandages, Sterile dressings, Surgical tape, Cough syrup, Antiseptic body wipes, Water purification tablets, Hand gel, Bandages of different types and width, Sterile gloves, Baby bottles, Nappies, Baby milk-cartons and powder, 3 in 1 coffee sachet, Cuppa soups, Tins of food, Pasta, Plastic cups/plates and cutlery, Torches with batteries, Candles and matches, Dog & cat food

Gift Aid envelopes for the year 2022/23 will be available for collection in the Church porch from 26/27th March. Please remember your gift aid number. **All gift aiders are allocated a box of envelopes which contains envelopes for special collections etc., even if on Standing Order, so please collect yours.** Alternatively, contact the Parish Office.

Missio Red Box Donations Collection Thank you to all those who gave so generously to Missio during the pandemic. We shall be resuming twice yearly collections of your Red Box donations this year. **Envelopes for your donations will be available in the Church porch at all masses over the weekend of 2nd/3rd April.** Please collect your envelope and return it with your donations to the presbytery during the following week. A supply of New Missio Red Boxes will also be available for anyone wishing to take one. Thank you.

Lent and Holy Week Information: If you'd like to know about what is happening in our parish during Lent and the times of the Holy Week Services you can download our Lent and Holy Week Leaflet from the parish website by following this link:

<https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/news.php?page=2022-03-07%2020:09:19&type=events>

Walk With Me Lent Calendar: At all of the Masses this weekend you will be able to collect a children's Lenten calendar with suggestions for things to do for each day of Lent.

Lenten Lending Library: Throughout Lent we are making available booklets from the Catholic Truth Society which it will be possible to borrow from the porch entrance. Once you have read the booklet you can return it and, if you wish, borrow another leaflet. Our hope is that this will provide spiritual reading for those who wish to go deeper into their faith during the Lenten season.

Stations of the Cross takes place every Friday evening in the church at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

Lent Online Resources: If you are looking for some good online Catholic Lenten resources visit this webpage for links to various Catholic apps and websites: <https://catholic-link.org/lent-best-catholic-resources-for-lent-2022/>

Lent Scripture Group every Thursday at 7.30pm: The Lent Scripture Group will be meeting again this Thursday (17th March) at 7.30pm in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre. You would be very welcome to join us on Thursday to reflect and to discuss together the readings from the Sunday Masses.

Parish Grotto Update: A big thank you to all you who have already contributed to the Grotto and Memorial Garden Fund. A reminder that if you would like to make a contribution you can do so either by writing a cheque to "Catholic Church Billericay" and marking on the envelope that it is for the Grotto Fund or by emailing the Parish Office so that we can give you the information you need to make a bank transfer. Our intention is that the Grotto and Memorial Garden will be finished and complete by the beginning of May 2022 (Our Lady's Month).

Evangelistic Event in Billericay on Saturday, 9th July 2022 Love Essex in co-operation with Churches Together in Billericay, are putting on an evangelistic event on Sun Corner on Saturday 9th July. The Churches in Billericay are praying for this event under the banner 'Love Billericay.' We are currently looking for someone who would be prepared to be a "Love Billericay" champion to act as a point of contact for passing on information and being an advocate for the Love Billericay Prayer Initiative. If this is something you think you might be interested in please speak to Fr Dan or email the Parish Office.

Church Repository Shop This month the Repository will be open after all Masses on the weekend of 25/26th March. Also on Tuesday mornings for a short time after the 10.15am Mass. Further dates will be announced in the newsletter. Mass intention cards can also be obtained from the Parish Office during working hours.

Messengers: Thank you to all those who answered the call for volunteers to deliver the Parish Easter Card - a great response. The lists have been compiled and cards should be available in a couple of weeks. All new volunteers will be contacted even if not needed this time.

"Opportunities to serve in our Parish" Booklet: Our new booklet can be downloaded from the parish website by following this link: <https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/news.php?page=2022-01-21%2019:23:49&type=news> If there is anything in the booklet that you are interested in taking part in, please either contact the lead person direct or contact Kathy Smith, our Volunteers Co-ordinator, by phoning the Parish Office on 01277 624891 or by emailing: office@mostholyredeemer.org.uk. Kathy will then put you in touch with the group or organisation you are interested in and if any training is required they will make sure that you are given all of the help and the support you require.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bp Alan will lead the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 24 – 29 July; a time to pray at the Grotto of Our Lady and enjoy the opportunities of this experience. You can book now on-line: www.tangney-tours.com/brentwood For further information, please contact Cathy O'Connor, the Administrative Director: cathy@dioceseofbrentwood.org or 07813 710070.

BCYS Lenten Revision Retreat, 2nd - 3rd April, Walsingham House
In years 11 -13 and preparing for exams this year? Get a change of scenery and a fresh perspective at Walsingham House at Abbotswick this lent for times of prayer, socialising and activities, but mostly to revise, alongside friends and the Walsingham House team members. As always the chapel is here for times of quiet reflection throughout the day. Book online NOW at www.bcys.net/events.

Webmaster needed: If anyone has expertise in hosting and administering a website please get in contact with Father Dan or the Parish Office. Knowledge of code is required.

Sponsored Sleepout: Caritas Diocese of Brentwood are inviting people from the night of April 8th to the morning of April 9th, to join the 2022 Sponsored Sleepout; Raising awareness and money to help our local homeless charities and the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service. All information can be found at www.caritasbrentwood.org/sleepout or by emailing sleepout@dioceseofbrentwood.org