

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Dennis Dear RIP (Anniv)
THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B) 27th Oct 2024	9.00 am	Anne Lewis RIP (Allen)
	11.00 am	The People of our Parish
MONDAY	SS Simon and Jude, Apostles	
	9.15 am	Intentions of John Fowley (Hasson)
TUESDAY	<i>No Parish Mass Today</i>	
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am	Mary & Christopher Roche RIP
THURSDAY	10.00 am	Terence O'Neill RIP Requiem Mass
FRIDAY	Feast of All Saints – Holyday of Obligation	
	10.30 am	James & Annie Sheridan RIP (Anniv)
	8.00 pm	Holy Souls
SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Theo Dawson RIP (Anniv)
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B) 3rd Nov 2024	9.00 am	Roy Underhill RIP (Anniv)
	11.00 am	Deceased Catenians RIP

Weekday Masses: Weekday Masses this week are at 9.15am on Monday, Wednesday & Friday. There is no 10.15am Parish Mass this Tuesday (29th October) or the following Tuesday (5th November)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place this Sunday (27th October) at 5pm in the church. If you would like to participate via our livestream please follow this link: <https://youtube.com/live/RzeOUH-GsAY?feature=share> Please note that after this date, Sunday Exposition won't take place again until **Sunday, 24th November.**

Saturday Confessions: from 11am to 12pm - also available by request.

Diocesan Safeguarding Representative Simon Moules 01277 265234

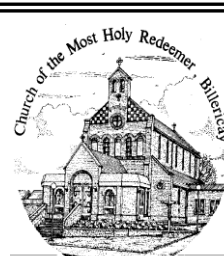
Parish Family Life Co-ordinator - Kristin De Freitas: Email address: kristindefreitas@brcdt.org Mobile number is: 07492 910138

Spiritual Reading: My Day by Day (£1.15) and Bible Alive (£3) for November are in the Church Porch – please put the money in the wall box.

Hall Bookings The booking officer is Jane Maddocks who can be contacted by e-mail canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF YEAR B

27th October 2024



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

From Fr Adrian Graffy:

With this Sunday's gospel passage we reach the end of chapter 10 of the Gospel of Mark, and, more significantly, we are reaching the end of the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem. At the beginning of the next chapter Mark will recount the triumphal entry of Jesus into the holy city.

During the journey Jesus has spoken on three clear occasions of His coming suffering and death, and He has attempted to teach the disciples about the mystery of martyrdom, the martyrdom which He and they must face. What place does our present passage have in the story? Bartimaeus reminds us of the basics as he sits 'by the road'.

Human beings are in need of healing and forgiveness, and these are the things that Jesus provides. He calls out to Jesus with the title 'Son of David'. He has an inkling that Jesus is the Messiah, but he will have had little idea that the Messiah is called to suffer and die in Jerusalem. Nevertheless, his call of faith is heard and Jesus in turn calls Bartimaeus to Him. He is told to 'get up', an expression which would have reminded the early Christians of the resurrection. His rising up in faith and his subsequent healing point to the full gift of new life through faith in Jesus.

The gift of sight to Bartimaeus symbolises the gift of faith. Faith allows us to see with open eyes and a true heart. Unlike an earlier healing of a blind man in Mark, Jesus heals by word alone. The faith of Bartimaeus triggers the command of healing from Jesus. This time there is no delay in the healing. Bartimaeus receives his sight without delay. He becomes a disciple and follows Jesus along the road, exultant, on the last stages of the journey towards Jerusalem.

Do I seek true vision?

How determined am I to be healed by Jesus and to become His disciple?

Let us thank God for the light of faith. Let us pray for all teachers of the faith that they may bring the light of truth to those to whom they minister

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.

The YouTube Links to this weekend's Masses are here:

6pm on Saturday, 26th October (30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B)

<https://youtube.com/live/MPY5qpk5Wc?feature=share>

9am on Sunday, 27th October (30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B)

<https://youtube.com/live/0jpPd8c9mAE?feature=share>

Change of email address:

Please note that our email address is changing to billericay@brcdt.org. This is to bring us in line with other parishes across the diocese. While this change is taking place the old office email address is still active.

Gift Aid: A big thank you to all of you who are members of the Gift Aid scheme. If you are a taxpayer and you would like to join the scheme you can do so by picking up a form from the church or following this link on the parish website: <https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/giftaid.php>

Baptisms at the Most Holy Redeemer: If you are enquiring about having your child baptised at the Most Holy Redeemer then please contact the Parish Office so that we can put you in touch with a member of the Baptism Welcome Team.

MHR Flower arrangers If you would like to know more about this friendly group, please contact Esther Wilkins on 07702 139120.

Laminated Mass Cards with prayers of the Mass are available at the entrance to the church as an alternative to the Mass Books. They are also very helpful for visitors and for those who have just started coming to Mass.

Mass Bags for Children. We have Mass bags available at all of the weekend parish Masses for children aged 1-3 and children aged 3 and older. The bags contain colouring books, pencils and soft toys. Please speak to the Welcomers before Mass if you would like to have one of the bags, specifying which bag you would like, and please make sure that at the end of Mass they are returned to the church porch so that other families are able to use them.

Parish Grotto Opening: The Parish Grotto is now open every day from 8am until mid-afternoon.

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:

Terry O'Neill RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Terry O'Neill. Terry's Requiem Mass is going to take place at 10am **this Thursday** (31st October). May he rest in peace.

Heather Parish RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Heather Parish. Heather's Requiem Mass will take place at 11am on Wednesday, 13th November. She will be received into the church at 4.30pm the night before. Please note that this Mass replaces the normal 9.15am Parish Mass on that day.

ANNIVERSARIES: Jim Tobin, Winnie Watts, Gladys O'Rourke, Charles Freeman, Dennis Dear, Patrick McCarthy, Patrick Lydon, Derek Butler, Fernand Reynier, Ann White, Mavis Read, Brian O'Boyle, Christopher Beckett.

Clergy: Fr George Steadman, Fr Stephen Wyatt, Fr William Loveland, Canon Thomas Bishop, Canon Richard Gay.

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

PARISH REGISTRATION:

If you are new to our parish, or you are an existing parishioner, please could you take a few moments to complete the electronic registration form which is on our parish website: <https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/register2.php> *Adults who are living in the same household will need to complete separate registration forms in order for the database to recognise you as separate individuals.* You can scan the QR code below and it will take you straight to the link!



New Contactless Machine in the church porch: We now have a new contactless machine in the church porch which should be quicker and more reliable than the previous one. If you normally gift aid your donations you will need to submit your details the first time you use the machine and then it will remember your information every time you use it subsequently provided that you use the same debit or credit card. Thank you to all of you who have donated to the parish using this method. To date this has raised over £11,000.

KIDS' CORNER

Thirtieth Sunday of Year B

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Jesus	Crowd	Large
Blind	Beggar	David
Courage	Pity	Son
Jumped	Cloak	Spoke
Faith	Saved	Sight
Return	Road	Quiet
Jericho	Louder	Master

Mass Bags Amnesty: We are currently missing 3 of the children's Mass bags. If you have taken one of these bags from the church by mistake please could you return it so that other families are able to make use of the bags during Mass.

Parish Gift Day Saturday, 23rd November We would be extremely grateful for the offer of any raffle prizes for our Grand Draw. Please contact the parish office if you can help. Donations of bottles, chocolate, luxury foods (suitable for Christmas hampers) and new toiletries will be gratefully received. A box will be placed in the back of the church from next weekend (26th/27th October). Thank you.

Primary School Applications: If you have a child who will be eligible for primary school next year and you would like them to be considered for a place at a Catholic Primary School, you will need to see Father Dan. Please note that when you see him you will also need to bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate. Appointment sheets are available at all of the parish Masses this weekend (26th/27th October) and subsequent weekends except for the weekend of the 9th/10th November. Please make sure that you make a note of the time and the date of your appointment. All of the appointments will be in the Pastoral Centre behind the church.

Faith in Action is inviting you to a Sweet Treat From Around The World Event, in the Pastoral Centre on Sunday 17th of November after 11am Mass. We are celebrating our diversity! We have parishioners from more than 20 different nationalities and cultures and the hall will be filled with stalls with various Sweet Treats on offer from around the world. All are welcome. Children will also be given passports to be stamped as they travel through the countries. The event doesn't cost any money but a voluntary contribution of £5 per family would be greatly appreciated as all the proceeds will go to Mary's Meal. If you feel able to contribute by baking a cake or any other sweet treat that celebrates your heritage than please let us know we'll be very grateful. Please contact kristindefreitas@brcdt.org

Foreign Currency for 'Mary's Meals': Please donate any unwanted currency or any UK notes and coins that are no longer legal tender to the **Parish Office**. 'Mary's Meals', is a charity which helps to provide nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest countries. www.marysmeals.org.uk

Vacancy: Safeguarding Administrator- DBS, Cathedral House. To support the Safeguarding Coordinator with the efficient processing of Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) applications for parish volunteers. Hours: 20 hours per week. Start Date: ASAP. Salary: £12.42 per hour Send a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) HR@brcdt.org Application closing date: 1st November 2024

Vacancy: Parish Health & Safety Co-ordinator: We are looking for somebody who is prepared to take on the role of Parish Health and Safety Co-ordinator. If you have some experience of Health and Safety in your workplace or as a volunteer please speak to Father Dan or contact the Parish Office at billericay@brcdt.org

Billericay Foodbank The green box remains in the church porch, all donations continue to be gratefully received. Thank you

Deacon Joseph Manuel-Mokwenye: This Sunday (27th October) we welcome Deacon Joseph Manuel-Mokwenye from Brentwood Cathedral who will be preaching at the 9am and 11am Parish Masses. Deacon Joseph was ordained as a permanent deacon by Bishop Alan Williams in September.

November Month of the Holy Souls: It has been a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church to pray for our dead during the month of November. If you have a loved one who has died who you would like to be remembered during the Masses in November, please take one of the November Dead Envelopes which will be available in the church this weekend. Then write the name of the person you wish to be remembered on a piece of paper, place it in the envelope and place the envelope in the basket which will be in front of the altar. If you wish you can also put a donation in the envelope.

Feast of All Saints: This Friday, 1st November we celebrate the Feast of All Saints which is a Holy Day of Obligation. On this day Masses will be at 10.30am and at 8pm. The 10.30am Mass will be livestreamed and is available to watch via this link: <https://youtube.com/live/8c-Sk5nQJDs?feature=share>

Blessing of Graves at Burstead Cemetery: 3pm on Sunday, 3rd November
On Sunday, 3rd November at 3pm there will be the annual blessing of graves at Great Burstead Cemetery. If you would like to attend the blessing of graves we would ask you to gather in the cemetery for a short service and then make your way to the grave you wish to be blessed.

Memorial Mass for Deceased Parishioners: 7.30pm on Friday, 15th November This is our annual Mass to remember all of those parishioners who have died in the previous year. All are welcome to attend.

No Weekday Masses from Monday, 4th to Monday, 11th October: Father Dan is going to be on pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi with a group from our parish from November 4th-11th. While he is away there will not be any weekday Masses and the weekend Masses will not be livestreamed. On the weekend of the 9th and 10th November we are delighted to welcome back Canon John McGrath who will be celebrating the parish Masses.

Confirmation 2025: Confirmation Registration packs will be available from Father Dan from next weekend (26th/27th October). Our Confirmation course is open to young people who are in school Year 9 and above. The deadline for returning the forms is Sunday, 24th November.

Sacred Heart Upminster 6th Form Open Evening is Wednesday, 13th November from 6pm. Disabled parking only on site.

The Repository shop will be open next weekend (2nd/3rd Nov). **Christmas cards** supporting the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society will be on sale.

Hamper: Recently we received through the post a hamper of gifts but there was no name attached to indicate who it came from. If you sent this gift we would like to express our thanks for your generosity.

Wine Tasting Evening in Aid of the BCCS: Ray Keilthy is organising a wine tasting evening on 15th November at 7.30pm in the Church Hall in aid of the BCCS. 4 reds, 4 whites, a rose and a sparkling wine will be sampled with some cheese and crackers. There will also be a raffle a quiz and some fun games. Tickets £25 each -contact Ray on 07789885804. Numbers are limited.

Parish Outreach Group: Joining a new parish can sometimes be a little bit daunting. To help welcome new parishioners to our church, we have a small group of volunteers who 'reach out' to new members of our community. The volunteers will arrange to come and visit you (usually in pairs) in your home at a time that is mutually convenient and chat to you about our parish and share some helpful information leaflets. Hopefully, they can also answer any questions that you might have and point you in the right direction if you have a particular interest in a specific area of parish life. If you would like a member of the Outreach Group to visit, please contact the Parish Office.

Our **Parish Parent and Baby Friendship Group** is now open to welcome families with babies or toddlers up to 18 months old. We meet every Thursday morning in term time from 10am until midday in the Pastoral Centre. Come along for a tea or coffee, a chat, toys and singing for the little ones, and a chance to make new friends.

Catechist Training and Resources Day, Brentwood Ursuline Convent School, Saturday 9th November, 10am-3pm With guest speakers, new workshops, exciting resources and fresh ideas. Open to anyone working with young people in the Diocese of Brentwood, including First Holy Communion / Confirmation Catechists, Parish Partnership Youth Coordinators and Youth Leaders as well as those who look after the children's liturgy, especially any young people (16+) who already are or may be interested in working as young leaders and catechists in the parish, and wish to develop their faith further post-confirmation. Please visit www.bcys.net/events for more information on how to reserve your FREE place.

Assisted Dying Bill: Kim Leadbeater MP is introducing a bill to introduce assisted suicide, which will be voted on by MPs on the 29th November. We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs. Please contact your MP by visiting www.livesworthliving.org.uk