

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR TWO WEEKS

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

MONDAY 4TH – FRIDAY 8TH NO MORNING MASS

SATURDAY 9th **6.00 pm** Ron Lidlow RIP (Anniv)

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B) Remembrance Sunday

10th Nov 2024 **9.00 am** Dead of World Wars
 11.00 am Eileen Corking RIP

MONDAY *No Parish Mass Today*

TUESDAY **St Josphat, Bishop & Martyr**
 10.15 am Mary & Anthony Carty RIP (Tansey)

WEDNESDAY **11.00 am** Heather Parish RIP **Requiem Mass**

THURSDAY *No Parish Mass Today*

FRIDAY 9.15 am Intentions of The Padre Pio Prayer Group
 7.30 pm Bereavement Mass

SATURDAY **6.00 pm** Nick Hogg RIP (Anniv)

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)

17th Nov 2024 **9.00 am** Aidan Keane RIP (Anniv)
 11.00 am Patricia Clark RIP (Anniv)

Weekday Masses: There are no weekday Parish Masses from Monday, 4th to Monday, 11th November.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will resume at 5pm on 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

THIRTY-FIRST and THIRTY- SECOND SUNDAYS OF YEAR B

3rd/10th November 2024



Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, Billericay

21, Laindon Road, Billericay, CM12 9LL
Parish Priest: Father Daniel Mason
Telephone: 01277 624891
Email: billericay@brcdt.org
www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk

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

From Fr Adrian Graffy:

Jesus is now in Jerusalem and the evangelist Mark gives us an account of his activities there. He has several encounters with the religious teachers. In this particular meeting there is no animosity. It is a peaceful dialogue between those who seek to do God's will.

The passage shows how Jesus' teaching takes the Hebrew Scriptures as its starting point. The words of Scripture Jesus speaks here are the same words we have already heard in the first reading from the Book of Deuteronomy, which includes in its final verses the Jewish prayer known commonly as the Shema' ('listen, Israel). To these words taken from Deuteronomy Jesus adds a quotation from Leviticus, another book of the Law, which commands love of neighbour. The conversation with the scribe continues by raising a point very frequently made by the prophets of the Old Testament and by Jesus: love of God and of neighbour is of more importance than 'holocaust and sacrifice'.

There is a profound agreement between Jesus and the teachers of Judaism. The tragedy which follows comes when worldly calculations are seen to be more important than seeking together to do the will of God. It is a situation repeated with dreadful regularity throughout the history of the world.

***Do I seek to follow the great commandments given by God and restated by Jesus?
Do I cherish the Jewish foundations of my faith and seek to understand them?***

Let us pray for the Jewish people, the first to hear the word of God. Let us pray for all involved in peaceful dialogue between faiths.

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, 2nd November (31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B)

<https://youtube.com/live/SLHawV8Pgf4?feature=share>

9am on Sunday, 3rd November (31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B)

<https://youtube.com/live/TDnJkhaKo28?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:

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: Ada Taylor, Vic Pereira, Theo Dawson, Mary Johnson, Jimmy Edmond, Ron Lidlow, Angela Moody, Maureen Hilkeene, Catherine Price, Austin Harper, Jack Foley, Pearse Norton, John Codling, Bernard Fleetwood, Jack Burns, Mary Puckrin, Ernest Lazaro, Ethel Reason, Edward Chiappe, Eileen Corking, Roy Underhill, Marie Louise Hill, Amy Moore, Teresa Whitcombe, Len Reason, John McCrone, Leslie Heath, Joanne Hayes, Patricia Clark, Joe Hoare, Roger Hill, Bert O'Connor, James McCormick, Nicholas Hogg, Ivor Stebbing.

Clergy: Cardinal John Carmel Heenan, Fr William Philpot, Deacon Norman Wiseman, Canon Denis Petry, Fr Terence Howes, Fr James Allis.

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

Thirty-First Sunday of Year B

M	I	N	D	M	P	L	I	S	T	E	N	C
W	I	S	E	L	Y	S	Z	F	T	U	F	O
I	S	R	A	E	L	T	R	U	E	W	Q	V
V	C	E	F	M	A	S	T	E	R	K	S	B
S	T	R	E	N	G	T	H	Y	Y	G	B	E
H	E	A	R	T	E	L	O	R	D	F	A	R
E	I	Q	U	E	S	T	I	O	N	O	N	E
R	J	S	F	K	I	N	G	D	O	M	R	T
A	N	E	I	G	H	B	O	U	R	S	U	P
Z	S	C	R	I	B	E	I	C	S	O	U	L
L	O	V	E	S	E	C	O	N	D	E	P	M
F	I	R	S	T	S	P	O	K	E	N	G	G
K	H	L	G	R	E	A	T	E	R	E	M	O

NEIGHBOUR
STRENGTH
GREATER
KINGDOM
LISTEN
WISELY
MASTER

HEART
QUESTION
SOUL
SCRIBE
FAR
SPOKEN
ISRAEL

LORD
LOVE
MIND
TRUE
SECOND
ONE
FIRST

Mass Bags Amnesty: We are currently missing 4 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. There is a box in the church porch.

The Most Holy Redeemer Christmas Grand Draw is LIVE! Thank you to the very kind parishioner who has once again donated an I-Pad for our first prize. Second prize is £100 cash. The number of prizes that you can win will be increasing over the coming weeks. If you would like to purchase a ticket and support our raffle please follow this link: <https://go.rallyup.com/mhr2024>

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 (2nd/3rd November) but not the following weekend (9th/10th November). The appointments will take place on **Wednesday, 13th November** from 5-7pm. 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.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay, warmly invites parents who are applying for a Reception place for September 2025 intake, to an Open Morning on the following dates: Wednesdays 6th and 27th November and 9th January at 9.30am. Please contact the school office to book your place 01277 653770.

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.

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

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

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.

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 November: 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 are available from Father Dan at all of the parish Masses this weekend. Our Confirmation course is open to young people who are in school Year 9 and above.

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

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.

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

Padre Pio Prayer Group will be meeting on Monday 11th November at 10am in the Lounge of the Pastoral Centre. All are welcome. For more details please ring Claire Wallis on 01277 658783.

Wine Tasting Evening in Aid of the BCCS, 15th November: All tickets have now been sold. Thank you for your support. If, in the event of cancellations, you would like to go on a "stand by" list please contact Ray on 07789885804.

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) Christmas Craft and Gift Fair will be held at The Mill Hall Arts & Events Centre, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh SS6 7ED on Sunday 3rd November from 10.30am - 4pm.

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

Our **Parish Parent and Baby Friendship Group** is keen to welcome more families. We are now meeting at the slightly earlier time of 9.30 am to 11.30 am every Thursday morning in term time in the Pastoral Centre. Parents or carers with babies or toddlers under two years of age are very welcome. Come along for tea or coffee, chat, toys and singing. Next session will be on Thursday 7th November.

Missio Red Box Donations A big "Thank You" for your Missio Red Box donations. Your prayers and support will help missionaries work alongside communities worldwide, regardless of background or belief. Please continue to pray for all who share the love and hope of Christ with our sisters and brothers in need throughout the world. For information on how to support Missio please contact Mike Dempsey on 07773 889480 or visit missio.org.uk.

Cathedral Young Adults Group. Are you aged between 18 – 35 and interested in meeting like minded individuals in a relaxed and social environment? The Group meets on the first Sunday of each month after the 6.30 Sunday Mass at Brentwood Cathedral. We walk to a nearby Pub after Mass for some food or drink and to meet and support each other spiritually and socially, wherever you are on your Faith journey. Details email cathedral@brcdt.org