

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Bridie Morahan RIP

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

26th October 2025 9.00 am Roy Underhill RIP (Anniv.)

11.00 am Deceased Catenians

MONDAY - THURSDAY

No Parish Mass

FRIDAY 9.15am Freda Barter RIP

1.00pm Fred Daly *Requiem*

SATURDAY 6.00 pm James & Anne Sheridan RIP (Anniv.)

ALL SAINTS (YEAR C)

2nd November 2025 9.00 am People of the Parish

11.00 am Theo Dawson RIP (Anniv.)

WEEKDAY MASSES: This week Parish Masses are at 9.15am on Friday. There are no parish Masses from Monday to Thursday.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place this Sunday (26th October) at 5pm in the church. Exposition is also available to watch via the parish YouTube channel. The link to the livestream is below:

<https://youtube.com/live/Ar6FuD6wdhc?feature=share>

If you wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the Holy Hour Fr Dan will be available to do so.

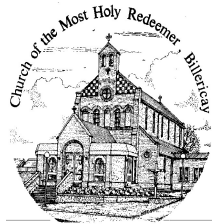
Confessions: Confessions will take place on Saturday from 11am to midday, and during the Holy Hour from 5pm-6pm on Sunday.

The Most Holy Redeemer Safeguarding Officer is Angela Sparke. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact Angela at: safeguarding-billericay@brcdt.org

Parish Family Life Co-ordinator Kristin De Freitas
Email: kristindefreitas@brcdt.org Mobile: 07492910138.

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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) 26th October 2025



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

A message from Fr Adrian Graffy:

The Parable of the Pharisee and the tax-collector is another of those wonderful parables which are only recorded in the Gospel of Luke. Rather like the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, this parable describes a stark contrast. Jesus gives a caricature of a Pharisee who is inordinately proud of his achievements, one who completes all that the Law requires, and far more besides.

Jesus describes the Pharisee as praying 'to himself'. This could simply mean that he was praying softly, but it seems also to suggest that the prayers of this man can never reach God. They are simply an expression of his pride and self obsession, which is accompanied by a judgemental attitude to others.

We should be careful not to extend this negative portrayal of one Pharisees to all Pharisees, as has often been done in interpreting the gospels, for many members of this religious group were exemplary in their attitudes and conduct.

In contrast, the tax-collector recognises his need of forgiveness. The gospels are full of references to tax collectors, who were often dishonest, and sought the company of Jesus along with other 'sinners' (as in Luke 15:1). This man is deeply conscious of his need for God. He stands far off because he recognises that the God of holiness is to be found in the Temple, and he feels unworthy to come closer. He is a man of genuine faith and he beats his breast in an honest expression of his need.

'Justification', being 'at rights with God', is not a result of our own efforts to accumulate good deeds but comes as a free gift to those who acknowledge their sinfulness and believe in the forgiveness Christ offers.

Are my efforts to do good an attempt to win God over, or an expression of love for the God who forgives me?

Do I pray as my heart directs me, or as I imagine I should?

Let us pray for those who are desperate to please God.

Let us pray for the faith which acknowledges the need of forgiveness.

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.

WEEKEND MASSES will take place at 6pm on Saturday and at 9am and 11am on Sunday.

The YouTube Links for this weekend's and next weekend's Masses are here:

6pm Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C:

<https://youtube.com/live/OsV2XWOpY6A?feature=share>

9am Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C:

https://youtube.com/live/0BpoelNox_k?feature=share

6pm Feast of All Saints:

<https://youtube.com/live/LRElsA9Y3NM?feature=share>

9am Feast of All Saints:

<https://youtube.com/live/VFxNVZSS5jk?feature=share>

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.

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:

Fred Daly RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fred Daly. Fred's Requiem Mass will take place at 1pm this Friday (31st October). May he rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES Lauraine Kirtley, Jim Tobin, Winnie Watts, Gladys O'Rourke, Charles Freeman, Dennis Dear, Patrick McCarthy, Patrick Lydon, Derek Butler, Fernand Reynier, Ann White, Mavis Reed and Brian O'Boyle.

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

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

PARISH OFFERTORY

Contactless Machine in the church porch: We now have a contactless machine in the church porch. 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.

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>

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 and it will take you straight to the link!



KIDS' CORNER

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Men

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Thank

Raise

Beat

Humbles

Parable

Temple

Stood

God

Eyes

Sinner

Fast

Two

Pray

Prayer

Week

Heaven

Home

Exalted

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.

Missio Red Box Donations Autumn Collection Envelopes for your donations will be available in the Church porch at all masses this weekend. Please collect your envelope and return it with your donation to the presbytery during the following week. Thank you very much for your continued support. Some Missio Red Boxes will also be available to take for anyone wishing to donate. Thank you.

Restricted Parking on Thursday, 30th October Due to works taking place in the car park on Thursday, 30th October, parking will be restricted. If possible please avoid parking in the car park on this day.

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 are available in the church. 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, 2nd November

November is traditionally the month when Catholics remember those who have died. On Sunday, 2nd 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, 7th November

This is our annual Mass to remember all those parishioners who have died in the previous year. All are welcome to attend.

Parish Gift Day: Saturday 22nd 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 has been placed in the church porch for donations.

Applications for Catholic Primary Schools If you are applying for a place at a Catholic Primary School for your child, you will need to see Father Dan. The appointments sheets are available at all of the weekend Parish Masses. When you see Father Dan, you will also need to bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate with you. 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.

Confirmation Information Evening at 7pm on Sunday, 23rd November If you are in school Year 9 or above and are interested in making your Confirmation in our parish next year, there will be an information evening taking place at 7pm on Sunday, 23rd November in the Pastoral Centre. You will be able to collect application forms and find out about the content of the course. For more information please speak to Father Dan after Mass.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School Billericay warmly invites parents who are applying for a Reception place for September 2026 intake, to an Open Morning on the following dates: Tuesday 11th November, Tuesday 18th November and Thursday 8th January at 9.15am. Please contact the school office to book your place 01277 653770.

Parish Parent and Baby Group Babies and toddlers up to age two with their parents or carers are very welcome at our Parish Parent and Baby Group. We meet every Thursday morning during term time in the Small Hall. Drop in any time between 9.30 and 11.30am for a cuppa, a chat, and playtime for your little ones. Free of charge. We would love to see you!

Vacancy at St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and motivated Learning Support Assistant to join our team. For more information about the position and to apply, please visit <https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=114330> Closing date is Midday on 10th November 2025. Visits to the school are welcomed and can be arranged by contacting the school office by phone 01277 653770 or email on admin@st-peters-pri.essex.sch.uk

Teaching Vacancies in Brentwood Diocese

Headteacher-Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Benfleet

Closing date 10/11/25 Start date April 2026

<https://assiscatholictrust.com/holy-family-headteacher/>

Headteacher – Our Lady Immaculate School, Chelmsford

Deadline for applications: 12:00 (noon), Thursday 20th November 2025

[2025-11-20 1200 Our-Lady-Immaculate-Primary-School-Chelmsford Headteacher Job-Advert.pdf](#)

Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School Parents/Carers & Year 11 Students you are warmly invited to attend our Sixth Form Open Evening a co-educational facility on Thursday 6th November, from 6.30-8.30 pm. Hear more about our wide range of courses, meet our dedicated teachers and speak with current students. We are especially excited to share news of our brand new Sixth Form Study Centre opening in September 2026. For any further information email Mrs Fryer Cfryer@buchs.co.uk

Wine Tasting in aid of The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Come along and sample wines from all over the world at a fun evening in the Canon Roche Hall on Friday 7th November at 19.30. (Cheeses and Nibbles will be provided). Tickets at £25 per person – scan the QR code to book. For any queries, please contact Ray Keilthy (07789 885804 raykeilthy@talktalk.net) or Millie at BCCS (07986 841178 communications@bccs.org.uk)



Join Our Mission: Become a Trustee and Support Children's Wellbeing

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is currently seeking new Trustees with expertise in fundraising and marketing to help us expand our reach and strengthen our impact. Your skills and experience could play a vital role in shaping the future for children and young people, ensuring we continue providing essential services to children and families in need. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity or know someone who might be a great fit, please do not hesitate to contact our Director, Bernadette Fisher, at bfisher@bccs.org.uk. She will be delighted to hear from you

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Christmas Craft and Gift Fair Join us for a festive day of fun at the BCCS Christmas Craft and Gift Fair on Sunday, 16th November at the Mill Arts and Events Centre in Rayleigh. All proceeds from the event will go directly to support our work with children and families. At the fair, BCCS will have a stall selling quality bric-a-brac, and we would be very grateful for any good quality items you might be able to donate - unfortunately, we are unable to accept books or DVDs. Donated items can be dropped off at our office — 133 High Street, Billericay — between 9.15am and 4pm, Monday to Friday. If you have several items and would prefer them to be collected, please contact Damian at 07912 308000 or ddillon@bccs.org.uk and he will be happy to arrange a pickup.

Connect Groups Connect Groups are small faith sharing groups made up of parishioners who meet together regularly to pray and to support each other. If you would like to find out more about joining a Connect Group please email the Parish Office at billericay@brcdt.org or look at the Connect Groups noticeboard in the church porch.

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