

THE CRY OF THE POOR - STUDY DAY FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION

A study day on Pope Francis' encyclical letter Fratelli Tutti on 'fraternity and social friendship' will be live-streamed from 11.00 to 12.30 BST on Saturday 2nd October. The study day, entitled 'The Cry of the Poor', is organised from Gidea Park parish, and the speaker is Fr Ashley Beck, expert on Catholic Social Teaching. The event is free of charge and no registration is necessary. The encyclical is a challenge to see the implications of faith in Christ in the face of the widespread xenophobia and discrimination prevalent in our society and in so many parts of the world. To access the livestream go to the website: www.whatgoodnews.org where the previous study day 'The Cry of Creation' (exploring Laudato si') is also available.

ON-LINE RETREAT - Living Laudato Si' : 15th – 18th October

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 see the poster at the back of church or email laudatosi@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Please remember in your prayers

Those who are ill . . .

Neil Abrahams, Isabella Ayres, Lesley Carroll, Tom Coddington, Pat and Janet Defreitas, Brenda Duke, Eddie Margot, Gary Martindill, Maureen Mongan, Helen Murray, Sue Read, Stephen Smithers, Sue Spelling and Mary Treston.

Those who have died recently . . .

Margaret Campbell died on Wednesday 22 September. Margaret ran the Covenant (forerunner of the Gift Aid) Scheme here for a number of years and was Head of Maths at the Sacred Heart Girls' School in the 1990s. Following her retirement, she moved to a newly-built house in the grounds of Belmont Abbey in Herefordshire, where she was able to join the Benedictine Community for the Mass and Offices.

Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

25 Sept – 1 Oct: Josephine Flaherty, Sister Aquinas Frayne (*first headteacher of St Patrick's*), Sheila Oxby, Bridget (Barbara) Dobson, Venerable John Paul I, Mick Clark, Michael Smith, Bamidele Suleiman, John Rowan, Harry Hopkins, James Kennedy, Ted Lampey, Mary Palmer, Bridget Smith, Patricia Field and Jason Lewis.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of **Our Lady** is in memory of David Jackson.

The light in honour of **Saint Joseph** is for the intentions of the donor.

The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph have been generously supported by donations for the whole of 2021; a list of dates that are still available in 2022 is on the porch noticeboard.



MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 25 Sept : 6.30 pm Teresa Lynch int (Smyth)

Sunday 26 Sept : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community

11.30 am Mike Smith RIP (Mollie, Shaun, Rita & family)

Monday 27 Sept : 9.15 am SVP intentions

Tuesday 28 Sept : 9.15 am Special Intention for Rosario & Chris Ogbechi

Wednesday 29 Sept : 9.15 am Tony & Justine Knight RIP (Cast)

Thursday 30 Sept : 9.15 am Harri Jahn RIP (Spelling)

Friday 1 Oct : 9.15 am In Thanksgiving (Welcome)

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 2 Oct : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 3 Oct : 9.00 am David Barwell RIP (Barwell family)

11.30 am Louis-Phillippe Coeur de Lion RIP (Kelly)

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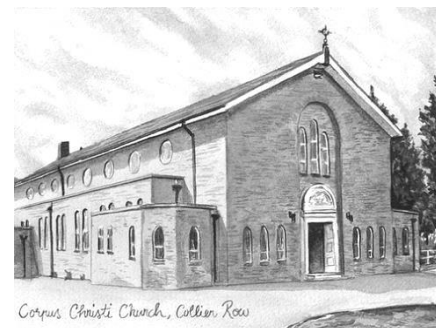
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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 25-26 September 2021



Corpus Christi Church, Collier Row

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Daily until 6.00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday : 6.30 pm, Sunday : 9.00 am and 11.30 am

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Monday to Friday : 9.15 am

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday : 5.30 – 6.30 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday : 6.00-6.30 pm or any other time on request

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Friday : 9.45 am

PARISH WEBSITE

www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

STREAMING

Live and recorded streaming of Mass can be accessed from the Home page of the parish website

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00 am – 12.00 noon

KEEP EVERYONE SAFE FROM COVID by maintaining these precautions in church . . .

Sanitise hands • Wear face coverings • Keep to the seating arrangements

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

At the Saturday evening Mass this weekend we welcome our candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation as they begin their short time of preparation; they will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in November (this should have taken place in May, on the Feast of Pentecost, but was delayed due to pandemic restrictions).

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Noah Trutwein and Taliayah Smith into God's Family and pray that they and their families will grow in the knowledge and love of God.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY - RETIRING COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Friday is the annual Harvest Fast Day; envelopes and information are available as you leave church this weekend. After all Masses next weekend the proceeds of the Harvest Fast Day will be collected – helping the world's poor.

THE RETURN OF THE ALTAR SERVERS

We hope to resume serving at the altar from the first weekend of October, with an initial training session taking place on **Saturday 2 October: 9.00 – 9.30 am**. For the moment, numbers will be restricted for each Mass: for Saturday 6.30 pm and Sunday 11.30 am we need teams of three Servers and for Sunday 9.00 am teams of five. To be a Server, you need to have received your First Holy Communion. If interested, please sign up on the list in the sacristy.

YOUR OFFERINGS

Last weekend the Parish Offerings amounted to £677.55 (£330.00 of this was gift aided). The collection for Home Mission came to £230.27 (£157.40 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

THURSDAY CLUB

The Thursday Club (for over 60s) meets on Thursdays: 1.15 to 3.15 pm in the Parish Centre Hall – come and join us, everybody welcome. For more information 'phone Kay on 01708-722672.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

If you have a child going into Year 3 in September (or older) and you would like them to be prepared to receive First Holy Communion next summer – please send us an email with the child's name and a contact telephone number for us to contact you (or telephone the Parish Office). The Preparation Programme will begin after Christmas; we will get back to you once the arrangements have been finalised.

DONATIONS USING QR CODES

It is now possible to make donations using your mobile phone and QR codes. There are notices in the porch for contributions to the parish.

THE CHURCH REPOSITORY

The Repository is now open after all weekend Masses and also on request. Please continue to wear face coverings while at the Repository. Thank you.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial of St Vincent de Paul** – the SVP honours this saint by bearing his name. St Vincent founded the Vincentian Fathers and, also, shared in founding the world-renowned Sisters of Charity. He died in 1660.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Wenceslaus** – born in 907 near Prague, he was raised as a Christian by his grandmother and became Duke of Bohemia in 922 at a time of pagan and anti-German reaction. He met this with patience and tolerance, but was assassinated in 929 at the door of the church at Stara-Boleslav by his brother Boleslav. He is patron of the Czech Republic. The incidents related in the carol 'Good King Wenceslaus' are fictional.

Wednesday is the **Feast of SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael** – each of these archangels plays an important part in sacred scripture and in the life of the Church. Their names are Hebrew: Michael meaning 'Who is like God?', Gabriel – 'Strength of God' and Raphael – 'The Healing of God'.

Thursday is the **Memorial of St Jerome** – one of the Church's greatest scholars, he was the first to complete a translation of the Bible from Hebrew and Greek into Latin – by then the common (vulgar) language of the people – hence the name 'Vulgate Bible' (which was for centuries the standard Latin version of the Bible used by the Church. He died at Bethlehem in 420.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus (Lisieux)** – she showed by her life as a Carmelite nun and by her writings how each of us can 'become like little children again' in God's sight. She died at Lisieux in 1897.

THE YOUTUBE BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE

Do you feel the Bible is too big and too difficult to understand? Do you get lost with all the characters and stories? If so, this course aims to help you better understand the riches of the Bible in a simple and straightforward way. The course begins on Wednesday 29 Sept, 2021 at 7pm. For more information and to register go to www.comeandsee.org

THE THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTIONS

are a series of talks for adults who want to grow in understanding and confidence when questioned or speaking about their Catholic Faith. The talks and discussion will take place on Zoom from 4.00 - 5.00 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon. The talk is on the 26th September and will consider the question: "What is the relationship between faith and reason?" It will be given by Fr Mark Swires, the chaplain at the University of Essex. If you would like to join this discussion please email your name and a contact email address to adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org For more information about The Thresholds of Hope Questions go to www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk

THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD OPEN EVENING (Year 7 Admissions 2022)

Wednesday 6 October 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Tours from 6:00 pm. Headteacher's talk at 7:00 pm. For more information please visit: www.uai.org.uk

JOB VACANCY – Cook & Kitchen Supervisor at Walsingham House Abbotswick

We are looking to recruit a cook and kitchen supervisor at Walsingham House at Abbotswick (15 hours/week, 39 weeks – Saturday 10.30am – 6.30pm; Sunday 10.00am – 1.30pm & Monday 10.00am – 1.30pm, with the potential for occasional overtime on weekdays), starting in January 2022. If you or any of your family and friends are interested in this role further information and a full job description can be found on our website, www.bcys.net or by emailing clairebailey@dioceseofbrentwood.org. The closing

date is midday on 18 October 2021, however applications will be reviewed as they arrive. Please note that on occasions, posts may close earlier than the closing date due to the volume of applications being received. Early applications are therefore advised.

VACANCIES at St John's RC Special School, Woodford Bridge

Recruiting for an SEN Class Teacher with PHSE responsibility and Classroom Support Assistants. These are full-time, term time only roles in a school with students aged 5 - 25 with a wide range of special needs. Previous experience essential. For application packs please contact the school office on 020-8504 1818 or email office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk stating the role you are interested in. Successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced DBS check. www.stjohnsrcschool.co.uk

Items of particular use to the Foodbank at present:

instant coffee • long life milk • tinned custard • tinned carrots, peas, sweetcorn • chocolate & crisps
long life fruit juice • deodorant, shower gel, shampoo • washing up liquid
clothes washing liquid or similar (not too big)

MINISTRY ROTA

The full version of this rota is on the parish website, in the 'Rotas' section. There are also hard copies available in the Sacristy for those who do not use the internet.

We have tried to include as many people as possible who were on the rota in 'normal times'.

At present, we do not need as many Communion Ministers as Readers –

this will only change when it is safe to restore the chalice.

If you have returned to Mass, are not on the rota and would like to be included – please let John know.

Readers and Communion Ministers should come to the Sacristy to sign in.

READERS

1 = *First Reading and Responsorial Psalm*

2 = *Second Reading and Gospel Acclamation*

3 = *Universal Prayer*

Readers remove their face covering just before reading and replace it immediately afterwards.

2-3 October		
6.30 pm	1. Jean Capps 2. Frank Smith 3. Mary O'Driscoll	Dylan Scott
9.00 am	1. Maria Green 2. Colin Smith 3. Lisa Walker	Alison Greene
11.30 am	1. Onyema Agbebi 2. Les Hislop 3. Catharine Welcome	Barbarta Binder
9-10 October		
6.30 pm	1. Carol O'Kane 2. Vanessa Thompson 3.	Carmelina Fulton
9.00 am	1. Alex Hinton 2. Pat Pridham 3. Eileen Jonas	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	1. 2. Terence Osuji 3. Nuala Doherty	Margaret Moffat
16-17 October		
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. 3.	David Elliott
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. Charles Gallen 3.	Andrew Walker
11.30 am	1. Michael Chadwick 2. Shirley Hay 3. Carleen Heath	Catherine Burnett
18-19 October		
6.30 pm	1. Sue Butcher 2. Kerry Truman 3. Mick Doolan	Henrietta Oppong
9.00 am	1. Ken Hay 2. Roger King 3. Wally Barnes	Auxilia Rayan
11.30 am	1. Stephen Doherty 2. 3. Triston Osuji	Michaela Henkel