

### KEEPING THE CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Thanks to our team of 'church stewards' we are able to have the church open during the day for private prayer; we are required to have two stewards on duty all the time we are open. If you could volunteer to cover a set hour each week – have a word with John to see where there are gaps.

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH MISSIO CO-ORDINATOR

Dear Red Box Holders, Many thanks to those of you who have made donations to Missio recently using the brown collecting envelopes at the back of our church. I appreciate fully the demands we are all facing: financially, physically and perhaps even mentally, as we attempt to regain some normality in our lives. However, please do continue to support Missio in whatever way you can. Church communities who under normal circumstances struggle anyway are now truly in dire straits because of COVID-19. Each year, our Pope asks the whole Church to pray for and support those church communities who are too young or too poor to support themselves. Across the world it is held on the same Sunday. This year it is on 18 October and has the theme "Here I am, send me!" Missio does, in a way, allow us to be 'armchair' missionaries and therefore to have the great privilege of continuing the work begun by Jesus. On the noticeboard at the back of the church is a poster from Missio thanking you for your very kind and generous support last year. This year please just give whatever you can. Many thanks, *Kate Welcome*.

### SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

Do Catholics have to go to Mass on Sunday? In ordinary times, the answer would be: yes, we are obliged to keep the Sabbath holy by participating in Sunday Mass. However, during this health crisis the obligation has been lifted. So, you might like to consider coming to a weekday Mass instead – a quieter celebration that allows for ample social distancing.

### CARITAS DIOCESE OF BRENTWOOD – Development Officer

If you are passionate about supporting local volunteers, and have strong experience in training and networking in the charitable sector, this could be your perfect job! The deadline to apply is 2 October 2020 and the start date is January 2021. For the Job Description and full details of this significant new role, which will help enhance our Gospel mandate to serve and recognise Christ in the poor, and in those on the edges.

Please visit: [www.caritasbrentwood.org/news/developmentofficer/](http://www.caritasbrentwood.org/news/developmentofficer/)

### CHAPEL OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

This week, the light in honour of Our Lady is for Angela, Mary and Gloria.

*A number of people have 'planned ahead' and booked dates for 2021; envelopes are available in the porch if you would like to be sure of a particular week next year. There are only 18 weeks still free.*



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 29 August : 6.30 pm Don Philliston RIP (Gardner)

Sunday 30 Aug : 9.00 am Johnny McCarthy RIP (Dolby)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Monday 31 Aug : 9.00 am Father John Seabrook RIP (PACT Westminster)

Tuesday 1 Sept : 9.00 am Betty Compton RIP (Chadwick)

Wednesday 2 Sept : 9.00 am Tony & Justine Knight RIP (Cast)

Thursday 3 Sept : 9.00 am Rita Blake RIP (Chadwick)

Friday 4 Sept : 9.00 am Father Antony Conlon RIP (PACT Westminster)

#### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 5 Sept : 6.30 pm Kenny Roche RIP (Butcher)

Sunday 6 Sept : 9.00 am Kay Cole RIP (Cole family)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

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## Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

29-30 August 2020



*Corpus Christi Church, Collier Row*

### PARISH WEBSITE

[www.corpuschristicollierrow.org](http://www.corpuschristicollierrow.org)

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00 am – 12.00 noon

### SUNDAY MASSES

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

### MASS DURING THE WEEK

Monday to Friday : 9.00 am

### MORNING PRAYER

Monday to Friday : 8.45 am

### NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Friday : 7.30 pm

### 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

*The church is open at the following times:*

Monday to Saturday

9.00 am to 12 noon and 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm

### COVID AND THE CHURCH

Are you sitting in the right place? Please ensure you sit in places that are marked as follows:

-  < this place is only for someone who is on their own
-  < these places are only for two people from the same household or bubble
-  < these places are only for families – groups of three or more people from the same household or bubble

As more people return to church for our weekend Masses, we need to ensure that we make the best use of the spaces that are available and maintain social distancing.

**Try to be on time** – once Mass has begun, it is very difficult to spot places that are free and, because seating is limited, finding a place can be very disruptive. It is difficult to maintain 'social distancing' whilst climbing past others. Our Sunday Masses begin at 6.30 pm (Saturday), 9.00 am and 11.30 am (Sunday).

**Face masks or coverings must be worn** in all places of worship (some people are exempt on medical or other grounds). We have a small supply of disposable masks for anyone that forgets to bring one.

**Just before you approach to receive Holy Communion**, you will need to lower, unloop or remove the covering briefly. Replace it as you return to your seat.

**You really must maintain social distancing** when chatting with people from outside your household (or bubble), before or after Mass. If you are wearing a mask this means a minimum of one metre distance. If you are not wearing a mask: two metres distance is essential.

### CHURCH CAR PARK

During the school holiday the church car park has been open for those coming to weekday Mass. However, because of anti-social behaviour there during the past few months, the car park will be closed for the rest of the day. It will be open for weekend Masses as usual.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Daniel Uchenna Anuebunwa and Maria, Mickayla and Zoey Akin into God's family, the Church. May they and their families grow in the knowledge and love of God within our community of faith.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

Next Saturday we have the first of this year's (lockdown-interrupted) First Holy Communion celebrations. Because of the restrictions placed upon us, it will be a much simpler affair than is usual; but we hope it will be no less memorable for the children and their families. Please keep them in your prayers.

### PARISH OFFERINGS

Your offerings last weekend came to: £786.14 (of which £455.00 was gifted aided). Thank you for your continued support.

### REPOSITORY

The Repository is being kept closed at present; please ask if you would like it opened for you.

### THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial of St Aidan and the Saints of Lindisfarne** – a saintly bishop who established Holy Island as a missionary base for preaching the gospel in northern England. Aidan died in 651. His monastery became a powerhouse of prayer and faith, producing many saints of the north, including St Cuthbert (whose Memorial is this Friday).

Tuesday is the **Diocesan Memorial of St Sebbi**, King of the East Saxons – after thirty peaceful years as king, he received the monastic habit at London, died shortly afterwards and was buried in Old St Paul's.

Thursday is the **National Feast of St Gregory the Great** – a truly outstanding Pope and Doctor of the Church. It is said that he was captivated by the sight of a group of blond-haired people from England, on sale in the slave market. When told that they were Angles, he is supposed to have remarked: 'They are not Angles, but Angels'. In 596 he sent Augustine and forty Benedictine monks to convert these English people – Augustine becoming the first Archbishop of Canterbury. A pioneer of liturgical reform, the style of singing known as Gregorian Chant is named after him (though it was written many centuries after he died).

Friday is the **Memorial of St Cuthbert** – a monk at Melrose and at Ripon; following the Synod of Whitby, he was asked to go as Prior to Lindisfarne under its new Benedictine Rule. In 685 he was ordained abbot-bishop. He died in 687 and his tomb became a popular pilgrimage shrine. In the ninth century, Viking raids led to an end of monastic life at Lindisfarne and in 875 his shrine was transported across the north until it reached Durham in 995. There the shrine became one of the most frequented in medieval Europe. At the Reformation his shrine was destroyed and his body re-buried on the same site, where it remains to this day.

*Please remember in your prayers*

#### **Those who are ill . . .**

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

#### **Those who have died recently, including . . .**

**Denis Myers** who died on Thursday; he had been ill for some time. We keep his wife Vonnie and their family in our prayers.

#### **Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .**

**29 Aug – 4 Sept:** William Hayes, Ralph Secker, Patrick Joseph Hughes, Paul Sullivan, Teresa Parker, Bob Wells, Tom Connolly, Bridget Overson, George Scott, Joyce Brennan and Patsy Allen.

### VACANCIES – details on porch noticeboard

**Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School, Upminster :** Part-time Independent Study Centre Co-ordinator  
**Brentwood Cathedral Site :** Site Manager

### BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

has registered for the Fun Walk which normally takes place at the Barleylands Farm site in Billericay. This year, participants and parish groups are invited to walk 2k or 5k anywhere they wish at any time during September and ask for sponsorship from friends and family to help support our work. All details & sponsorship forms are available on [www.bccs.org.uk](http://www.bccs.org.uk) under the Events/Virtual Fun Walk tab or follow us on social media for updates. We would be very happy to hear from parish or family groups who would like to walk for us – please email Libby: [lphillips@bccs.org.uk](mailto:lphillips@bccs.org.uk)

### REVISED TEMPORARY MINISTRY ROTA

	Readers	Communion Minister
<b>29-30 August</b>		
6.30 pm	Jean Capps Vanessa Thompson	Liz Lawrence
9.00 am	Aimee Peters Pat Pridham	Tricia Rogan
11.30 am	Susan Smithson Onyema Agbebi	Victoria Cassettari
<b>5-6 September</b>		
6.30 pm	Kim Pritchard Doug Mongan	Carmelina Fulton
9.00 am	Lorna Lyons Ken Hay	Katie Fernandes
11.30 am	Triston Osuji Shirley Hay	Catherine Burnett
<b>12-13 September</b>		
6.30 pm	Nicola Charles Sophie Pritchard	Gail Furniaux
9.00 am	Alex Hinton Eileen Jonas	Alison Greene
11.30 am	Terence Osuji Michael Chadwick	Michaela Henkel
<b>19-20 September</b>		
6.30 pm	Eileen Rogan-Hill Margaret Smith	Henrietta Oppong
9.00 am	Roger King Wally Barnes	Auxilia Rayan
11.30 am	Les Hislop Carleen Heath	Alexandra Burt-Allen
<b>26-27 September</b>		
6.30 pm	Sue Butcher Connor Furniaux	Chantelle Makamba
9.00 am	Charles Gallen Mary Brennan	Roger King
11.30 am	Stephen Doherty Nuala Doherty	Elaine New
<b>3-4 October</b>		
6.30 pm	Vanessa Thompson Mary O'Driscoll	Caroline Ramstead
9.00 am	Maria Green Lisa Walker	Olivia Paton
11.30 am	Catharine Welcome Attracta Caulfield-Ross	Susan Byrne

*With a more simplified liturgy, due to restrictions currently in place, each Mass requires just two Readers and one Extra-Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion.*

*Hence the need for a revised, temporary rota, which will frequently be updated. You will find it on the website, in the 'Rotas' section.*

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

*Readers will need to collect a pair of disposable gloves from the Sacristy. They remove their face covering just before reading and replace it immediately afterwards.*

*The first Reader listed will be responsible for the First Reading and Psalm; the second Reader for the Second Reading and leading people in the Gospel Acclamation.*

*Communion Ministers will need to sanitise their hands just before distributing Holy Communion. Hand gel is available on the Credence Table.*