

"LOURDES AT YOUR LOCAL" : 26th – 30th July 2021

From Monday 26th - Friday 30th July, the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service will be hosting "Lourdes at your Local" for Summer 2021. There will be a Mass celebrated each morning at 11am, with Anointing of the Sick and joyful music, followed by coffee and refreshments. These will then be streamed online each evening, as well as Daily Rosary, a Torchlight Procession and Talent Show (which we encourage you to also get involved in!). The Masses will take place in Leigh-on-Sea, Clacton-on-Sea, Canning Town, Wanstead and Brentwood, and we are welcoming all ages, with particular invitation to those who have been housebound or shielding over the last year. Further details and a full itinerary are available on our website www.bcys.net/events or you can email gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org for more information.

"LOURDES ON THE LAWN" : 31 July 2021

This event is open to anyone currently in school Year 13 or above (approx. age 18-28) from 12pm – 4pm on Saturday 31st July. We will celebrate Mass together with Bishop Alan at Midday, and invite those attending to bring a picnic to enjoy in the beautiful grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick during the afternoon. You can find more information at www.bcys.net/events or email gabriellafusi@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, Rose Sheridan, Stephen Smithers, Sue Spelling, Mary Treston and Gwen Wright.

Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

3-9 July: Sister Gabriel Ryan (one of the first teachers at St Patrick's), Jerry Kingston, Luigi Mormile, John Collins, Humphrey Long, Mark Barron, Harry Griffin, Joan Prior, Hannah (Ann) Jones, Dolly Ling, Jane (Jenny) O'Sullivan and Richard (Dick) Crowley.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Luigi Mormile.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Eric Moores.

The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph have been generously supported by donations for the whole of 2021; several weeks in 2022 have already been covered.



MASS INTENTIONS

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 3 July : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community
Sunday 4 July : 9.00 am Ed & Margaret Corcoran RIP (Pye)
11.30 am John Lyddon RIP (McKie)

Monday 5 July : 9.15 am Humphrey Long RIP (Long family)

Tuesday 6 July : 9.15 am Onyema Agbebi & family int

Wednesday 7 July : 9.15 am Norman Barnard RIP (Mary)

Thursday 8 July : 9.15 am Welcome family int (Kate)

Friday 9 July : 9.15 am Holy Souls

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 10 July : 6.30 pm Father Michael Barwick int
Sunday 11 July : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community
11.30 am Thanksgiving (Vettath family)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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Parish Priest:

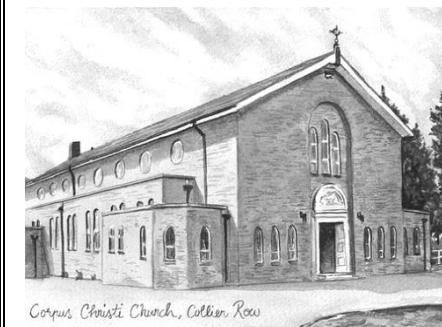
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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3-4 July 2021



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.corpuschristicollerrow.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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Victor Agboola, Richard & Alexander Oluwadare and Sofia & Isabella Barclay into God's Family and pray that they and their families will grow in the knowledge and love of God.

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

We pray for Deacon Michael Barwick who will be ordained to the priesthood next Saturday; Michael was here on placement in January 2017. We wish him many fruitful years of ministry in our diocese – *ad multos annos!*

FATHERS' GROUP

Colin Smith will be starting a group for fathers in the coming weeks. This will be a great opportunity for dads of all ages in the parish to get together one evening a month for a short time of guided prayer in church followed by an informal social. The aim is to strengthen family men in their faith and example, and to build fellowship. Each month we will take a different theme or form of prayer. The group will be a joint initiative with St. Edward's in Romford. Please email Colin at colinandvictoria@virginmedia.com to register your interest or if you would like to find out more.

YOUR OFFERINGS

Last weekend the Parish Offerings amounted to £631.65 (£382.40 of this was gift aided).The 'Peter's Pence' collection raised £144.00. Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – important information for young people in Year 11

If you are in Year 11 at the moment, come to Mass at this church, and would like to be Confirmed, please contact Father Philip to let him know you are interested. Either send an email (this would be the best option) or phone the Parish Office as soon as possible. You will need to give us an email or home address so we can send you details when they are finalised. **The absolute deadline for doing this is Sunday 25 July** – but don't wait until then! **Please note: the Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 20 November at 12 noon.**

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.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Receiving Holy Communion in the hand

It is important that we take great care when receiving Holy Communion, following this procedure:

1. Before you approach the priest or minister your face covering should be removed or lowered.
2. The Host is placed in your hands with the words: 'The Body of Christ'; you respond: 'Amen'.
3. Step to one side.
4. Stand still and reverently consume the Host.
5. Return to your seat, replacing your face covering as you go.

Receiving Holy Communion on the tongue

This is now possible once more ... however, you must wait until everyone else has received and come up at the end of the Communion Procession. Obviously, you should remove or lower your face covering. Because the priest or minister will not be able to sanitise hands between each communicant, there could be a health issue: at present there can be no guarantee that receiving in this way is safe from the risk of infection.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK ...

Monday is the **Memorial of St Anthony Mary Zaccaria** – an Italian, he founded the Congregation of St Paul (the Barnabites) – they gave practical as well as spiritual help to the victims of sixteenth century plagues.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Maria Goretti** – this Italian saint was a girl of twelve when she died. She had received fatal knife wounds in virtuously resisting a lustful attack by a young, local man named Alessandro Serenelli. He was sentenced to 30 years hard labour and, for some time, seemed viciously unrepentant. Then, around 1908, he experienced a vision of Maria in which she handed him 14 lilies, thought to be representative of the number of stab wounds she had received. From that day onwards, he proved a model prisoner. Released in 1927, he found a place as a gardener and lay-brother in a Capuchin monastery. He made his peace with Maria's mother and, in 1950, attended Maria's canonisation in the company of her family. He died in 1970.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions** – from Wuchuan in Guizhou, China. He was a warden of a prison in which Christians were being held and was converted by their example. In 1781 he was ordained and went to do missionary work in western Sichuan. He was arrested in 1815 and, being already ill, died in prison after torture.

Pope Francis, extract from the Angelus Address, St Peter's Square, 8 July 2018

Today's Gospel passage (cf. Mk 6:1-6) narrates the story of when Jesus returns to Nazareth and begins to teach in the synagogue on a Saturday. Ever since he had left it and begun preaching in the nearby hamlets and villages, he had never again set foot in his country. He has returned. Therefore, the whole town must have been there to listen to this son of theirs, whose fame as a wise master and powerful healer had by now spread throughout Galilee and beyond. But what could have stood out as a success, turned into a resounding rejection, to such an extent that Jesus could not perform any mighty work but only a few healings (cf. v. 5). The dynamics of that day are reconstructed in detail by Mark, the Evangelist: At first the people of Nazareth listen [to him] and are astonished; then perplexed, they ask themselves "Where did this man get all this?", this wisdom? and in the end they take offence, recognizing him as the carpenter, Mary's son whom they had seen grow up (cf v. 2-3). Thus Jesus sums it up with the expression which has become proverbial: "A prophet is not without honours, except in his own country" (v. 4).

We may ask ourselves: why do Jesus' fellow townsmen go from astonishment to disbelief? They make a comparison between Jesus' humble origins and his current abilities: he is a carpenter; he did not study and yet he preaches better than the scribes and he performs miracles. And instead of opening up to the reality, they take offence. According to the people of Nazareth, God is too great to humble himself to speak through such a simple man! It is the scandal of the Incarnation: the unsettling event of a God made flesh who thinks with the mind of a man, works and acts with the hands of a man, loves with a human heart, a God who

struggles, eats and sleeps like one of us. The Son of God overturns every human framework: it is not the disciples who washed the feet of the Lord, but it is the Lord who washed the feet of the disciples (cf. Jn 13:1-20). This is a reason for scandal and incredulity, not only in that period, but in all ages, even today.

MINISTRY ROTA

The full version of this rota is on the parish website, in the 'Rota's' 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.

3-4 July

6.30 pm	1. Kerry Truman 2. Mick Doolan 3.	Chantelle Makamba
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Wally Barnes 3. Ken Hay	Olivia Paton
11.30 am	1. 2. Triston Osuji 3. Stephen Doherty	Adam Beddoe

10-11 July

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. Triston Osuji	Barbara Binder

17-18 July

6.30 pm	1. 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	Victoria Cassettari

24-25 July

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	Margaret Moffat

KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA

They need more workers in the vineyard. All their meetings at the moment are on Zoom and they are looking for new members. If you are a Catholic man aged 16+ and wish to say 'yes' to putting your faith into action by good deeds, please get in touch with Douglas Mongan on douglas.mongan@gmail.com

THE THRESHOLDS OF HOPE WEBSITE

has now been launched. This new online resource is the work of the Brentwood Diocese Vicariate for Adult Formation and aims to help adults to deepen their relationship with Christ and His Church. Please have a look at the website and watch it develop over time. Do let us know what you think of it. The website address is www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk

VACANCY AT THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD

Learning Support Assistant. Start: September 2021. Closing Date: noon, Thursday 15 July 2021. For further information please visit: uai.org.uk/about/vacancies