

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. Several of those who have been stewarding, since the church was re-opened in June, have now returned to work; we are grateful for the hours they have given. If you could volunteer to cover a set hour each week – have a word with John to see where there are gaps you might be able to fill.

VACANCY – Brentwood Cathedral Site

Site Manager - details on porch noticeboard

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 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

Christmas Cards supporting the work of the BCCS are now available; a leaflet illustrating the range is on the porch noticeboard. They can be ordered on-line at www.bccs.org.uk/christmas/christmas-cards

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/

CHAPEL OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

This week, the light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Vince Harrison.

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 15 weeks still free.



MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 12 Sept : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community
Sunday 13 Sept : 9.00 am Thanksgiving for Our Community (Pye)
11.30 am Vince Harrison RIP (Doherty/Harrison)

Monday 14 Sept : 9.00 am John Baker RIP (Jackson)

Tuesday 15 Sept : 9.00 am Canon Vincent Berry RIP (PACT Westminster)

Wednesday 16 Sept : 9.00 am Diane Davis RIP (Connie & Angela)

Thursday 17 Sept : 9.00 am Canon Christopher Tuckwell RIP (PACT Westminster)

Friday 18 Sept : 9.00 am Holy Souls

12 noon Requiem Mass for Denis Myers

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 19 Sept : 6.30 pm Lilah Forster RIP (Hatch family)

Sunday 20 Sept : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community

11.30 am John Williams RIP (Caroline)

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12-13 September 2020



Corpus Christi Church, Collier Row

PARISH WEBSITE

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

CHURCH CAR PARK – new arrangements for weekday Masses

On weekdays, the main area of the church car park is closed to all traffic so that St Patrick's pupils can line up safely, socially-distanced, ready to enter the school grounds. If you come to Mass by car, the entrance in Lowshoe Lane (long disused) is open each morning at 8.45 am to allow parking in the area in front of the church. Because it is a very limited space, this area is only for those coming to Mass and is not to be used by people dropping off their children. Each day the gates are locked when everyone has left the church. As usual, the whole car park will be open for Masses on Saturday and Sunday.

SEATING FOR WEEKEND MASSES

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.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Your offerings last weekend came to: £962.78 (of which £364.40 was gifted aided). Standing Orders last month amounted to £2451.75. Thank you for your continued support.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

This weekend we have the third of this year's (lockdown-interrupted) First Holy Communion celebrations. Because of the restrictions placed upon us, these celebrations are much simpler than is usual; but we hope they have been no less memorable for the children and their families. Please keep them in your prayers.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021

If you have a child in Year 3 (or older) and you would like them to be prepared for First Holy Communion next year, please register your interest by phoning Father Philip at Church House (01708-749050) or sending him an email (collierrow@dioceseofbrentwood.org). Once the arrangements for the Preparation Programme have been finalised, we will be in touch with details of the application process.

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 **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross** – this ancient feast has been celebrated in the East since the fourth century and was adopted in the West three centuries later. It commemorates the recovery, by the Empress Helena (mother of Constantine), of the precious relic of the cross on which Jesus died. From the instrument used in that most infamous death, the cross has been transformed into the symbol of Christ's glorification – Christ 'loved the world so much'.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows** – traditionally seven in number, the sorrows begin with Simeon's words to Our Lady in the Temple: 'A sword will pierce your own soul' (Luke 2:35).

Wednesday is the **Memorial of SS Cornelius and Cyprian** – Pope Cornelius and Bishop Cyprian lived and died for the Faith in the first half of the third century.

Thursday is the **Memorial of St Robert Bellarmine** – a leader in the Church's effort to recover from the Reformation, he lived from 1542 to 1621. He was a Jesuit who became Archbishop of Capua in southern Italy, and a Cardinal. His translated writings played a significant part in keeping the knowledge of the Faith alive in England and Wales during penal times.

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 . . .

Denis Myers died on Thursday 27 August; he had been ill for some time. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 18 September at 12 noon followed by burial at Upminster Cemetery. Due to restrictions placed on us by the Government only a very limited number of family and friends may attend – up to a maximum of thirty people; the family are organising the live-streaming of the Requiem for those who cannot be there in person. When we know the 'address', it will be posted on the Welcome page of the parish website. We keep his wife Vonnie and their family in our prayers.

Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

12-18 Sept: Bert Kenneth Smith, Jim Palmer, Ron Fearn, Lucy Jones, Anthony Saliba, Doreen Sheppard, Tony Carr, Lorraine Shoetan, Kath Bishop, Eileen Brown, George Stride, Vincent Harrison, Marie Brown, Douglas Dunn, Eddie Lind, William Hill and Peter Lyons.

THE SEASON OF CREATION

"As believers, we do not look at the world from without but from within, conscious of the bonds with which the Father has linked us to all beings"

Pope Francis

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.

REVISED TEMPORARY MINISTRY ROTA

| | Readers | Communion Minister |
|------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 12-13 September | | |
| 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 |
| 19-20 September | | |
| 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 |
| 26-27 September | | |
| 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 |
| 3-4 October | | |
| 6.30 pm | Frank Smith Mary O'Driscoll | Caroline Ramstead |
| 9.00 am | Maria Green Lisa Walker | Olivia Paton |
| 11.30 am | Catharine Welcome Attracta Caulfield-Ross | Susan Byrne |
| 10-11 October | | |
| 6.30pm | Vanessa Thompson Jean Capps | Eileen Rogan-Hill |
| 9.00 am | Pat Pridham Aimee Peters | Wally Barnes |
| 11.30 am | Onyema Agbebi Susan Smithson | Adam Beddoe |
| 17-18 October | | |
| 6.30 pm | Doug Mongan Kim Pritchard | Dylan Scott |
| 9.00 am | Ken Hay Lorna Lyons | Marguerite Crossfield |
| 11.30 am | Shirley Hay Triston Osuji | Helene Ward |

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.