



As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those who may wish to pray quietly. Before Mass, try to keep conversation to a minimum and avoid behaviour which could distract others.



Please switch off, or silence, mobile telephones.



A loop system is in operation throughout the church. Hearing aids that are equipped to do so should be switched to the 'T' position or to the loop setting appropriate to your equipment.



If you are unable to stand at any point during the service, please feel free to remain seated.

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN – change of venue and times

Every Wednesday 1 – 3 pm at Tweed Community Hall, Tweed Way, Rise Park RM1 4AZ. Donation: £5.

Please remember in your prayers

Those who are ill . . .

Neil Abrahams, Isabella Ayres, Cristiana Bianco, Lesley Carroll, Betty Casey, Tom Coddington, Pat and Janet Defreitas, Brenda Duke, Gary Martindill, Maureen Mongan, Marjorie Moores, Helen Murray, Jim Peters, Sue Read, Stephen Smithers, Sue Spelling and Mary Treston.

Those who have died recently . . .

Charles O'Neill died on Saturday 12 November. His body will be brought to the church on Thursday 1 December at 5 pm; his Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 2 December at 11.15 am followed by the Service of Committal at Forest Park Crematorium at 12.45 pm.

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

19-25 Nov: Fred Golding, Ben Tully, Rene Montrose, John Alfred Gillard, Patrick McDonnell, Maureen McCarthy, Brian Dixon, Joe Wheelhouse, Daniel McGoay, John Kelly, Lisha McGeogh, David Deane and Hannah Barrett,

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of David and Daniel McGoay.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Maureen McCarthy.

Thanks to many generous donations, the shrine lights are being maintained for the whole of this year.

A list in the porch gives the few dates that are still available for 2023; envelopes are available in the porch should you wish to contribute to the upkeep of Our Lady's or St Joseph's lights.



MASS INTENTIONS

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Saturday 19 Nov : 6.30 pm Holy Souls

Sunday 20 Nov : 9.00 am Jennifer Perlas RIP (Armida)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Monday 21 Nov : 9.15 am Michael Hegarty RIP (O'Driscoll)

Tuesday 22 Nov : 9.15 am Abole and Family RIP (Delima)

Wednesday 23 Nov : 9.15 am Joseph Duggan RIP (Peter)

Thursday 24 Nov : 9.15 am Father John Sullivan RIP (PACT Nottingham)

11.30 am Requiem Mass for Catherine Hughes

Friday 25 Nov : 9.15 am Holy Souls

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday 26 Nov : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 27 Nov : 9.00 am Eddie Margot RIP (O'Driscoll)

11.30 am In Thanksgiving (Vettath Family)

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Solemnity of Christ the King

19-20 November 2022



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

STREAMING

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

PARISH WEBSITE

www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00 am – 12.00 noon

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend, through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome into the family of the Church: Zack Maddison and Elijah Skelton; we pray for them and their families, that they may grow in the knowledge and love of God within our community of faith.

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November is the month when we especially remember our dead and their influence on us, the living; our custom here, for many years, is to leave the names of our loved ones before the altar throughout the month. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the porch; any offerings you make will help to provide Masses for the Holy Souls, celebrated during November and throughout the year.

VISIT TO ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

If you have a child born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 – they are due to start school in September 2023. St Patrick's would like you and your child to come and visit our Reception Class. Please call or e-mail the school office to book your place on a visit on Wednesday 11 January at 2.00 pm: 01708-745655 or office@saint-patricks.org.uk *We are looking forward to meeting you and your child.*



PARISH OFFERINGS

Last Sunday the Parish Offerings amounted to £839.57 (£439.10 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your kind giving.

BRENTWOOD DIOCESAN DIRECTORY

The 2023 edition of the Diocesan Yearbook has arrived and is available in the porch, priced £2.95. If you wish to purchase one, please place your payment in the wall safe labelled "Diocesan Directories".

CHURCH REPOSITORY

On sale in the church porch from next weekend, and for several weeks thereafter, religious Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars and gifts, all reasonably priced.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Les Hislop would like to thank parishioners, and especially members of the SVP, for the kindness and support he has received following the death of his wife Gill. He is most grateful.

ALTERNATIVE GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Brochures are available from CAFOD with ideas for alternative Christmas giving; instead of spending on presents for family or friends, buy something on their behalf for individuals or communities in the developing world. £20 will buy 'Chirpy Chickens' for vulnerable families – so they can produce eggs to eat or sell. £28 will buy a 'Goat that Gives'.

THE CHAMPION SCHOOL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The Champion School Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday 26 November from 10am to 2pm.

ADVENT SERVICE

at Brentwood Cathedral on Sunday 27 November at 4.00 p.m. With music from the Cathedral choir, readings and lighting of the Advent wreath led by Bishop Alan Williams, this is a perfect way to begin our spiritual preparation for Christmas. All welcome. You can also watch this service on the Thresholds of Hope page on youtube: <https://youtu.be/c2KQhRXzOFU>

THE CHAMPION SCHOOL SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

This takes place on Sunday 18 December: 1.30 to 6.30 pm. The Sixth Form students are working hard to organise an enjoyable afternoon in the School Hall. If you would like an invitation – please let Fr Philip or John know as soon as possible as we need to give the school an idea of numbers; there are about a dozen places left that have been allocated to our parish.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** – although based only on pious legend, this feast has a special value as a link with the Eastern Church, where it has been celebrated for well over a thousand years.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Cecilia** – as a virgin-martyr she was held in high honour from the sixth century onwards, but her dates and history are unknown. Her body was discovered in the catacomb of St Callistus outside the ancient City of Rome and was transferred to the Basilica built in her honour in Trastevere, the area "across the Tiber". She is patron of musicians.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of St Clement I** – he was the third successor of St Peter as Bishop of Rome and is remembered mainly by an important letter he wrote to the Corinthians. He was put to death in what is now the Crimea in 101 AD, the third year of the Emperor Trajan, by being thrown into the sea tied to an anchor. Our parish has a link with this first century Pope. Following an ancient tradition, when an altar is consecrated, the relics of a saint are placed under or inside it. The altar of our church contains the relics of two early Roman martyrs (St Rufina and St Clement); every time we celebrate Mass, as the priest kisses the altar, he does so to reverence and honour these holy saints.

Thursday is the **Memorial of St Andrew Dung-Lac and his Companions** – born in today's Vietnam in 1795, his pagan parents sold him to a catechist who educated him; he was baptised, studied theology and was ordained priest in 1823. During persecutions under King Minh-Manh he was arrested several times – finally in 1839 he was imprisoned and beheaded. Together with 116 other Vietnamese martyrs he was beatified in 1900 and canonised in 1988.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Catherine of Alexandria** - according to tradition, a virgin-martyr, who was put to death in the early 4th century at the hands of the pagan emperor Maxentius. According to her hagiography, she was both a princess and a noted scholar, who became a Christian around the age of fourteen, and converted hundreds of people to Christianity. In 1969 her feast day was removed from the General Roman Calendar, however, she continued to be commemorated in the Roman Martyrology on November 25; in 2002, her feast was restored to the Calendar as an optional memorial.

THE COLLIER ROW FOODBANK : items of particular use 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 detergent (liquid or similar, not too big)

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023

The annual diocesan pilgrimage, led by Bishop Alan, will take place from Monday 24 – Saturday 29 July. All are welcome, including those of us who need assistance. Details regarding booking and costs will follow soon.

CALAIS LIGHT

is calling YOU to join us on our refugee convoy to Calais: Dec 9-11. Age 18+. Experienced Continental drivers are extra welcome. A promised weekend of fun and fulfilment is guaranteed. Volunteer & really help refugees. Full details and bookings at www.calaislight.com. Can't make the trip? Please donate at: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/6n9sg-calais-light>

BCYS SUMMER LOURDES 2023

Applications are now open for the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service pilgrimage to Lourdes, from 23rd – 30th July 2023! The week is spent travelling alongside the main Diocesan pilgrimage to assist the elderly and infirm, and for those travelling with the BCYS, the week will also include a retreat, reconciliation service, the chance to visit the baths, a trip to a UNESCO World Heritage site, social nights and party as well as experiencing the Lourdes Torchlight Procession and Blessed Sacrament Procession. Open to anyone in school year 10 and above, all information and details on how to apply can be found at www.bcys.net/events/sl23

MINISTRY ROTA

The Rota is also available in the on the parish website – in the 'Rotas' section.

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.

As usual, 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 (at 9.00 am the Acclamation is usually sung by the choir and people).

3 = Universal Prayer

19-20 November		E
6.30 pm	1. Kim Pritchard 2. Hanyeolisa Onyekonwu 3. Mary O'Driscoll	David Elliott
9.00 am	1. Eileen Jonas 2. 3. Maria Green	Alison Greene
11.30 am	1. Catharine Welcome 2. Oluwajuwon Emmanuel 3. Arno Bastiampillai	Michael Chadwick
26-27 November		A
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. Gabrielle Gill 3. Ngozi Obiakonwa	Dylan Scott
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. Charles Gallen 3.	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	1. Carleen Heath 2. 3. Shirley Hay	Adam Beddoe
3-4 December		B
6.30 pm	1. Sue Butcher 2. Mick Doolan 3.	Maria Smith
9.00 am	1. Wally Barnes 2. Ken Hay 3. Roger King	Andrew Walker
11.30 am	1. Triston Osuji 2. Stephen Doherty 3. Nicole Osuji	Barbara Binder
10-11 December		C
6.30 pm	1. Frank Smith 2. Kammalunna Onyekonwu 3. Jean Capps	Liz Lawrence
9.00 am	1. 2. 3.	Auxilia Rayan
11.30 am	1. Les Hislop 2. Onyema Agbebi 3. Debbie Cullis	Margaret Moffat