

THE COLLIER ROW FOODBANK

Donations of the following would be much appreciated:

items of food in tins or jars: eg meat, fish, vegetables, coffee, fruit, custard, long life milk or long life fruit juice, bags of sugar.

items for personal hygiene: deodorant, shower gel, soap, shampoo, toothpaste

cleaning products, especially: washing up liquid, clothes detergent (liquid or similar, not too big)

RELAY 100

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is inviting parishioners across the Diocese to join in with their annual 'Relay 100' community event this May and June. This initiative is an opportunity to remind our community about the work we do, to reach families who may need our support and to raise some funds through sponsored walks, runs or cycles. We are looking for 100 individuals or groups to complete a 'leg' of our relay around the diocese; we have routes of varying distances so there is something to suit all abilities. Can you help us? To find out more, please contact Damian Dillon: ddillon@bccs.org.uk / 07912 308000 or visit <https://www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events/> and click on 'Relay 100 Sponsored Walks' to read more about this event.

Please remember in your prayers

Those who are ill . . .

Isabella Ayres, Lesley Carroll, Betty Casey, Tom Coddington, Pat and Janet Defreitas, Brenda Duke, Maureen Mongan, Marjorie Moores, Helen Murray, Jim Peters, Sue Read, Stephen Smithers, Mary Treston and Yvonne Wilson.

Those who have died recently . . .

Charles Gallen died unexpectedly during the week; arrangements for his funeral will be made in the coming days. We keep his sister Mary and all the family in our thoughts and prayers.

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

29 April to 5 May: Joyce Baxter, John Patrick Long, Margaret Gallacher, Bill Hughes, Jean Hickey, Gladys Galvin, Peter Graham, Darren Margot, Barry Ladner, Jeanette Cerquella, Simon Osuji, Eileen Parkin, Fred Foster and Melville Montrose.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Sean Sheridan.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Mary Sequerah.



MASS INTENTIONS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 29 Apr : 6.30 pm Alison & Bill Hughes RIP (Teresa)
Sunday 30 Apr : 9.00 am Sean Sheridan RIP (O'Driscoll family)
11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Monday 1 May : 9.15 am Darren Margot RIP (Teresa)
Tuesday 2 May : 9.15 am Sunny Vettath RIP (Arun and family)
Wednesday 3 May : 9.15 am Patrick O'Leary RIP (Withers)
Thursday 4 May : 9.15 am Justine & Tony Knight RIP (Cast)
11.00 am Funeral Service for Joan Kirby
Friday 5 May : 9.15 am Nancy Connolly int (Tom Mongan)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 6 May : 6.30 pm Frank Ennis RIP (Kim & Nigel)
Sunday 7 May : 9.00 am Michael Cole RIP (Cochrane)
11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

Lowshoe Lane, Collier Row, Romford, Essex RM5 2AP

Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

to contact Church House:

☎ 01708-749050 ✉ collierrow@brcdt.org

Fourth Sunday of Easter

29-30 April 2023



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

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY RETIRING COLLECTION

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please pray for vocations to the priesthood for our diocese and for those currently training for the priesthood. The collection after Mass supports the education and formation of our seminarians.

THE CORONATION

MASS on Friday, together with Catholic churches throughout the country, will be offered in preparation for the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla. The Bishops of England & Wales have published special texts for this celebration.

PRAYER CARDS have also been produced and are available in the porch; we are encouraged to use them in the days leading up to the Coronation.

ST PATRICKS' SCHOOL TEA PARTY The staff and children of St Patrick's School would like to extend an invitation to the people of the parish to join us for a tea party to mark the Coronation of King Charles III. Our tea party will take place on Friday 5 May at 2 pm. We are able to cater for 30 members of the parish. If you would like to join us, please call the office on 01708 745655 and we will reserve you a seat. The children are looking forward to welcoming you to our school.

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

From Monday 24 April, our parish e-mail address (along with all other diocesan addresses) has changed to collierrow@brcdt.org (Why "brcdt"? It stands for "Brentwood Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust").

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

This weekend we welcome John Jameson into the Christian community through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist. And Luca Navarro will be baptised into God's Family, the Church. We pray that they will grow in the knowledge and love of God within our faith community.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

If you are in Year 11 or older and would like to be Confirmed – speak with Father Philip to register your interest.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £770.83 (£372.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your continued support and contributions to our parish.

MASS FOR MIGRANTS

This annual Mass, for the dioceses of Westminster, Southwark and Brentwood, takes place on Monday 1 May at 12 noon at St Antony of Padua Church, Forest Gate. A poster in the porch gives further details.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS AT BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL

We are delighted to welcome The Westminster Cathedral Choristers to sing at a 6pm Mass at Brentwood Cathedral on Tuesday 2 May, the music will include the beautiful *Missa Brevis* by Benjamin Britten. The Mass will be followed by a short Recital. If you would like to join us on this very special occasion, please email us on music@brcdt.org

THE THRESHOLDS OF HOPE EASTER TALKS

will explore what it means to have an intimate friendship with Christ. They will take place on Wednesdays 10th, 17th and 24th May at St Francis of Assisi, Stratford, E15 1NS from 7.30 - 9.00 p.m. The first talk, "Calling on the name of Jesus," will be given by Fr Martin Boland, the Dean of Brentwood Cathedral. All very welcome.

GIDEA PARK STUDY DAY ON POPE BENEDICT AND THE LITURGY

On Saturday 20th May, from 11.00 to 13.00 BST, Fr Vincent Twomey SVD, student and friend of Pope Benedict XVI, will speak on 'The Liturgical Vision of Pope Benedict'. The event will not be in person but live streamed from Ireland on www.whatgoodnews.org. Fr Twomey has recently produced 'The Dynamics of Liturgy: Joseph Ratzinger's Theology of Liturgy', published by Ignatius Press. Further details of the event are to be found on the attached flyer and on the website www.whatgoodnews.org A recording of the study day will be made available subsequently on the website.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday is the **Memorial of St Joseph the Worker** – the Church reminds us today, International Labour Day, of the true nobility and value of work, pointing to the working life of Joseph the Carpenter (the scriptures use the word *tekton* which is better translated as "handyman") of Nazareth.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Athanasius**, Bishop and Doctor of the Church – this fourth century bishop of Alexandria was continually persecuted. Among his many writings was his steadfast defence of our belief that Jesus is God made man.

Wednesday is the **Feast of SS Philip & James**, apostles – in the Gospel reading today we hear Jesus' reply, at the Last Supper, to Philip's request: 'Lord, let us see the Father'. James is sometimes called 'the Less', simply to distinguish him from the other better-known apostle of the same name.

Thursday is the **National Feast of the English Martyrs** - originally Pope Paul VI canonised a representative group of Forty Martyrs and their feastday was kept in October; Pope John Paul II canonised many more. This is now the day on which we recall the heroism of the hundreds of saints and blessed, and thousands more of our forefathers, who gave their lives rather than deny the Faith 'that comes to us from the apostles'.

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

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

COLLIER ROW CATHOLIC CLUB LTD

Membership renewal due from 1st April (£20). The Club is open daily from 3.30 to 11.00 pm (1.30 pm Thursdays for the Senior Citizens) and from 12 noon Saturday and Sunday. New members welcome (single £25, joint £30).

Freddie Mercury Tribute Act Friday 19 May. Tickets £10

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023

Join Bishop Alan in Lourdes from Monday 24 to Saturday 29 July. We can support those with medical needs. For further information, please phone Tangey Tours on 01732 886 666 or book online: Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangey Tours (tangey-tours.com)

JOB VACANCY: Hospitality Manager at Walsingham House at Abbotswick

Walsingham House seeks to appoint a friendly, reliable and trustworthy Hospitality Manager. The postholder will be responsible for welcoming groups wishing to use the retreat centre, being a point of contact and

managing the practicalities of the day. For more information please see www.bcys.net or email Claire Bailey for more information: clairebailey@brcdt.org The closing date for applications is midday on Friday 12 May 2023.

'THE PRIESTS' CHARITY CONCERT

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is delighted to announce that the Northern Irish classical singing trio 'The Priests' will be performing a second charity concert on Friday 30th June 2023 at the Brentwood Cathedral at 7.30pm. All tickets can be purchased directly through Eventbrite and are £30 per person plus booking fee: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/528414691567> We expect this to be a sell-out event and would urge you to book early in order to avoid disappointment. Full details are available on our website: www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events/

MINISTRY ROTA

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

There are a few paper copies in the Sacristy.

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

29-30 April		C
6.30 pm	1. Jean Capps 2. Frank Smith 3. Kammalunna Onyekonwu	Liz Lawrence
9.00 am	1. Catharine Welcome 2. 3.	Olivia Paton
11.30 am	1. Debbie Cullis 2. Onyema Agbebi 3. Les Hislop	Barbara Binder
6-7 May		D
6.30 pm	1. Shantay Charles 2. Carol O'Kane 3. Vanessa Thompson	Caroline Ramstead
9.00 am	1. Pat Pridham 2. Alex Hinton 3.	Alison Greene
11.30 am	1. Nuala Doherty 2. Terence Osuji 3. Humma Gill	Margaret Moffat
13-14 May		E
6.30 pm	1. Mary O'Driscoll 2. Hanyeolisa Onyekonwu 3. Kim Pritchard	Clare Scott
9.00 am	1. 2. Maria Green 3. Eileen Jonas	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	1. Arno Bastiampillai 2. Oluwajuwon Emmanuel 3.	Louise Seaton
20-21 May		A
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. Ngozi Obiakonwa 3. Gabrielle Gill	David Elliott
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. 3.	
11.30 am	1. 2. Shirley Hay 3. Carleen Heath	Michael Chadwick