

### VACANCY AT THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD

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#### 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)

*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, Stephen Smithers, Sue Spelling and Mary Treston.

#### Those who have died recently . . .

**Jack Galvin** died on Sunday 27 February. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 18 March at 12 noon, followed by Committal at Forest Park Crematorium.

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

**5-11 Mar:** Sister Brendan, Paddy O'Connor, Maud McDonnell, Maria Cachia, Brian Denton, Tommy Greene, Lily Curnow, Tina Valentini, Pat O'Dell, Bill Baxter, Jed Laycock, Jim Grint, Luigi Fasulo, Lamorna (Josie) Jarvis, Paddy Conway, Joseph Nwosu, Nicholas Zervos, Liam Brennan, Bridie Clancy and Karl Deal.

#### SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Paddy Conway.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is for the donor's intentions.

*The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph are being generously supported by donations for much of 2022; a list of dates that are still available is in the porch. Nine weeks are available for the light at Our Lady's Shrine; twelve weeks for St Joseph's Shrine.*



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 5 Mar : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 6 Mar : 9.00 am Michael Cole RIP (Cochrane)

11.30 am Rose Sheridan RIP

Monday 7 Mar : 9.15 am Doug Lawrence RIP (Liz & Sam)

Tuesday 8 Mar : 9.15 am The People of Ukraine (Welcome)

Wednesday 9 Mar : 9.15 am Margarida Ferreira RIP (Church Cleaning Team)

Thursday 10 Mar : 9.15 am Holy Souls

Friday 11 Mar : 9.15 am Nonnie Mullaly RIP (Togher)

11.00 am Requiem Mass for John McKernan

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 12 Mar : 6.30 pm Valerie Lynch RIP (Smyth)

Sunday 13 Mar : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community

11.30 am Anthony Fernandes RIP (Rose)

## Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

#### Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

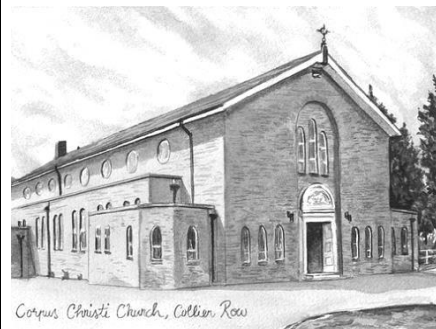
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#### to contact Church House:

## First Sunday of Lent

5-6 March 2022



#### 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 : 9.15 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

#### WAY OF THE CROSS

Mondays in Lent : 7.30 pm

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

#### THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Daily until 6.00 pm

#### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

LORD, HEAR THE PRAYERS OF THOSE WHO TRUST IN YOU,  
ESPECIALLY THE LOWLY, THOSE SORELY TRIED,  
AND THOSE WHO SUFFER AND FLEE  
BEFORE THE ROAR OF WEAPONS.  
RESTORE PEACE TO OUR HEARTS;  
ONCE AGAIN, GRANT YOUR PEACE TO OUR DAYS. AMEN.

*Franciscus*

#### LENT OFFERINGS : UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL

The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD), together with fourteen other aid agencies, has launched an emergency appeal to raise funds to help with the rapidly-developing humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. This year, we will make this the focus of our Lenten giving and will arrange to send any money raised immediately to help CAFOD and its partner agency Caritas Ukraine, which is already on the ground delivering medical, food and emergency supplies. Our government has offered to match pound-for-pound anything we give – up to £20 million. The bucket will be at the back of the church throughout Lent.

#### CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS ~ hands and face

The virus is still with us and we are advised to continue to: sanitise hands, keep buildings ventilated and prevent the spread of infection by wearing face coverings in indoor settings where there are a number of people. At weekend Masses we have many people in the church, some of whom are vulnerable. All of us have a responsibility to keep them safe – so we ask you, if you can, to continue to wear face masks.

## DURING LENT

The traditional 'disciplines' of Lent include prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As we set out on the journey to Easter, we ask ourselves: "What could I do to help deepen my spiritual life?" Giving something up shouldn't mean extra (saved) money in our pockets: why not give an appropriate amount to a charity of your choice or support our Lenten Offerings Appeal. The basket will be at the back of the church throughout Lent. *Some other suggestions to help make Lent special:* try to create some time for quiet – for thought and prayer, for reflecting on the Word of God (take away the readings sheet to help with this). Come to a weekday Mass at 9.15 am (Monday to Friday) or take part in the Way of the Cross on Mondays at 7.30 pm.

## LENT FAST DAY

Friday is the annual Lent Fast Day – the proceeds of our fasting will be collected after Masses next weekend and will go to help CAFOD, our national Catholic aid agency, with its work in the developing world.

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Last weekend we welcomed the adults who are preparing to be Baptised or Received into the Church at the coming Easter Vigil. Please support them with your prayers throughout the season of Lent.

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Bishop will be visiting our parish on Wednesday 18 May and will celebrate Mass with the Sacrament of Confirmation that evening. If you are in Year 11 and would like to be prepared for Confirmation this year, please send Father Philip an email (or telephone the Parish Office) to register your interest. We will be in touch very soon to let you have the details of the preparation programme.

## PARISH OFFERINGS

Last Sunday the Parish Offerings amounted to £858.98 (£364.72 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

## CHURCH REPOSITORY

On sale from this weekend and for several weeks thereafter – cards for St. Patrick's Day (17<sup>th</sup> March) and Mother's Day (27<sup>th</sup> March).

## 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.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT THE COLLIER ROW CATHOLIC CLUB

**Race Night** Friday 11 March. A fund-raising event to help send members of our 4<sup>th</sup> Collier Row Scout Group to the 25<sup>th</sup> World Jamboree in Korea. First Race at 8 pm (sharp). Paddock Entry fee: 50p (direct donation to fund).

**Irish Sing-A-Long Evening with Kelly's Heroes and featuring Holly Wyatt** - Friday 18 March from 7.30 pm Tickets: £7 (available from the bar). Irish Rover, Molly Malone, Danny Boy, The Fields of Athenry, Galway Girl and more.

## LENT READINGS

The Scripture readings for Lent are particularly rich and a major source of help in living a good Lent. Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest, Scripture scholar, and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, has prepared commentaries on all the readings in the Liturgy of the Word at Mass throughout Lent, from Ash Wednesday to Good Friday. The full text of the biblical readings and commentary are accessible from the home page of [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org)

## THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTION: How has Catholicism enriched culture, music and the arts?

Input will be given by Fr David Clemens, parish priest at Our Lady of Compassion, Saffron Walden, today, Sunday 6 March, and next Sunday 13 March 4.00 – 5.00 p.m. via Zoom. To join this meeting simply forward a contact email to [adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org). For more information go to [www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk](http://www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk)

## SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

Held every Wednesday from 10:30am till 12:30pm at St Michael's Church, Main Road, Gidea Park, Romford, RM2 5EL. Cost: £5.

## FORTHCOMING BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE EVENTS

**Lenten Revision Retreat** 2nd - 3rd April, Walsingham House

**Sponsored Sleepout** 8th - 9th April, 8pm - 8am

**Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage** 23rd - 30th July 2022

**Youth Gather** 22nd - 23rd October, Mersea Island

*Further information can be found on the noticeboard in the porch.*

*Booking for all these events, and all information, online at [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events)*

## MINISTRY ROTA

The full version of this rota is 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.

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*

5-6 March		
6.30 pm	1. 2. Margaret Smith 3.	David Elliott
9.00 am	1. Charles Gallen 2. 3. Mary Brennan	Olivia Paton
11.30 am	1. Shirley Hay 2. Carleen Heath 3. Michael Chadwick	Elaine New
12-13 March		
6.30 pm	1. Kerry Truman 2. Mick Doolan 3. Sue Butcher	Carmelina Fulton
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Wally Barnes 3. Ken Hay	Alison Greene
11.30 am	1. Nicole Osuji 2. Triston Osuji 3. Stephen Doherty	Alexandra Burt-Allen
19-20 March		
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	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	1. Onyema Agbebi 2. Les Hislop 3. Catharine Welcome	Adam Beddoe
26-27 March		
6.30 pm	1. Carol O'Kane 2. Vanessa Thompson 3.	Maria Smith
9.00 am	1. Alex Hinton 2. Pat Pridham 3. Eileen Jonas	Andrew Walker
11.30 am	1. 2. Terence Osuji 3. Nuala Doherty	Barbara Binder

*"Peace is not merely the absence of war; nor can it be reduced solely to the maintenance of a balance of power between enemies; nor is it brought about by dictatorship. Instead, it is rightly and appropriately called an enterprise of justice ... Peace is never attained once and for all, but must be built up ceaselessly."*

Second Vatican Council: Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, Gaudium et spes, article 78