

FULLY-ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE, IRELAND, 23rd May 2022

£699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Lunches on days out. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single room supplement £100. Contact Patricia on 01268-762278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

VACANCY AT THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD

Exams Officer & Sixth Form Administrator. 5 days (36 hours) per week (Term Time plus 10 days). FTE Salary: £26,959 (inc. Outer London Allowance) per annum. Actual Salary: £24,818 (inc. Outer London Allowance) per annum. Please see our website www.uai.org.uk for further details. Closing date for applications 18 March 2022.

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 whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

26 Feb to 4 Mar: Ted Dean, John William Sherman, David Schrier, Mary Newman, Dolly Hoy, Maureen Blake, Cecilia Lake, Anne O'Leary, Dorothy Harney, Kevin Campbell, Doug Calvy, Pauline Pohl, Cathy Hennessy and Martha Farrell.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of grandmother Zinaida (on her first anniversary).

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of David Barwell.

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. Ten weeks are available for the light at Our Lady's Shrine; fourteen weeks for St Joseph's Shrine.



MASS INTENTIONS

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 26 Feb : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 27 Feb : 9.00 am Ted Dean RIP (Pridham)

11.30 am Denis Hannon RIP (McKie)

Monday 28 Feb : 9.15 am Holy Souls

Tuesday 1 March : 9.15 am Margaret Nicholson RIP (McCarthy)

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday 2 Mar : 9.15 am Members of Our Parish Community

7.30 pm Martha Farrell RIP (Ramstead)

Thursday 3 Mar : 9.15 am John O'Driscoll RIP (O'Driscoll family)

Friday 4 Mar : 9.15 am Prisca Sinclair Hendricks RIP (Sequerah)

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

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

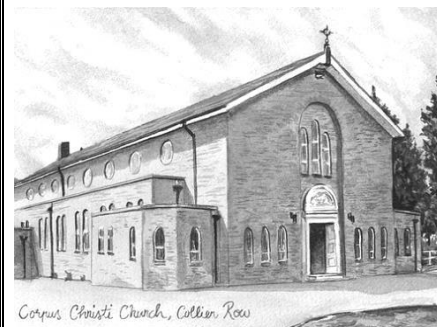
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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26-27 February 2022



Corpus Christi Church, Collier Row

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

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

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Daily until 6.00 pm

ASH WEDNESDAY

2 MARCH

MASSES WITH THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

9.15 AM AND 7.30 PM

*This day of fasting and abstinence
marks the solemn opening of the season of Lent.*

The Holy Father asks that we fast and pray especially for the people of Ukraine.



CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS ~ hands | face | space

The virus is still with us and, whilst there have been relaxations to the legally-required precautions, we have received guidance that encourages us 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. We have re-opened all the pews to accommodate more people; please try to keep at least one metre from anyone who is not a member of your household; there is plenty of space to spread out.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This weekend, at the Saturday evening Mass, we welcome four 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 £816.13 (£340.00 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 (17th March) and Mother’s Day (27th 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.

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

THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTION: What is new about the new evangelisation?

Input will be given by Fr Pachel Uche, assistant priest at St James the Less, Colchester, today, Sunday 27th February, 4.00 – 5.00 p.m. via Zoom. To join this Zoom meeting simply forward a contact email to adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org. For more information www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk

BE PART OF THE WALSINGHAM HOUSE TEAM 2022/23

If you are 18+ and looking for an exciting gap year opportunity, then a year on the Walsingham House Team could be for you. Spend a year as a volunteer in a thriving young Catholic Community, working with thousands of young people from Essex and East London. We are looking for inspiring individuals who want to share their faith with other young people and are also looking to learn new skills, grow deeper in their own faith and enjoy a challenge. For more information please contact Joseph Beattie, manager of Walsingham House, by emailing josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org or calling 01277-373959. There is more information about our work on our website (www.bcys.net) and social media @Brentwoodcys

FORTHCOMING BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE EVENTS

Youth Mass Thursday 3rd March from 6 pm, Brentwood Cathedral

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

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Tuesday is the National Feast of St David – patron of Wales. Among the monasteries founded by this sixth century bishop, the main one was at what is now called St David’s in Dyfed.

Pope Francis, from the *Angelus Address*, St Peter’s Square, 3 March 2019

Today’s Gospel passage presents brief parables, with which Jesus wants to show his disciples the way to live wisely. By this question: “Can a blind man guide a blind man?” (Lk 6, 39), he wants to emphasize that a guide cannot be blind, but must see well, that is, he must possess the wisdom to guide with wisdom, otherwise he risks harming the people who trust him. Jesus thus draws the attention of those who have responsibilities in matters of education or command: pastors of souls, public authorities, legislators, teachers, parents, urging them to be aware of their delicate role and to always find the right path on which to lead people.

And Jesus ... indicates himself as the model of master and guide to follow: “The disciple is not above the master; every accomplished disciple will be like his master” (v. 40). It is an invitation to follow his example and his teaching to be sure and wise guides. And this teaching is contained in particular in the Sermon on the Mount, which for three Sundays the liturgy has offered us in the Gospel, indicating the attitude of gentleness and mercy in order to be sincere, humble and just people. In today’s passage we find another significant phrase, one that exhorts us not to be presumptuous and hypocritical. She said thus: “Why do you look at the speck that is in your brother’s eye? And the beam that is in your own eye, you don’t notice it! (v. 41). Very often, we all know, it is easier or more convenient to see and condemn the faults and sins of others, without succeeding in seeing our own

with as much clarity. We always hide our faults from ourselves, we also hide them from ourselves; on the other hand, it is easy to see the faults of others. The temptation is to be self-indulgent — self-indulgent — and hard on others. It is always helpful to help others with wise counsel, but as we observe and correct our fellow man’s faults, we must also be aware that we too have faults. If I believe I don’t have any, I can neither condemn nor correct others. We all have faults: all of us. We must be aware of this and, before condemning others, we have to look within ourselves. We can thus act in a credible way, with humility, witnessing charity.

How can we understand if our eye is free or veiled by a beam? It is always Jesus who tells us: “There is no good tree that produces spoiled fruit, nor conversely a spoiled tree that produces good fruit. In fact, each tree can be recognized by its own fruit” (vv. 43-44). The fruit is the actions, but also the words. The quality of the tree is also recognized by words. Indeed, the good one draws good from his heart and his mouth and the bad one draws evil, by practicing the most harmful exercise among us, murmuring, gossiping, speaking ill of others. It destroys; it destroys the family, destroys the school, destroys the workplace, destroys the neighbourhood. Wars begin with language. Let us reflect a little on this teaching of Jesus and ask ourselves the question: do I speak badly of others? Am I always trying to smear others? Is it easier for me to see other people’s faults than my own? And let’s try to correct ourselves at least a little: it will do us all good.

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*

26-27 February		
6.30 pm	1. Vanessa Thompson 2. Carol O’Kane 3.	Chantelle Makamba
9.00 am	1. Pat Pridham 2. Eileen Jonas 3. Alex Hinton	Andrew Green
11.30 am	1. Terence Osuji 2. Nuala Doherty 3. Nicole Osuji	Catherine Burnett
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. 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