

VACANCIES AT ST JOHN'S RC SPECIAL SCHOOL

St John's RC Special School, Woodford Bridge is recruiting for the following positions:

SEN Class Teacher | SEN Class Assistants | Finance Assistant | Assistant Caretaker (full time 52 wks)
Previous experience is essential for all roles, for further information please contact the school office on 020-8504 1818 or email office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk stating the role you are interested in. Successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

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, Betty Casey, Tom Coddington, Pat and Janet Defreitas, Brenda Duke, Eddie Margot, Gary Martindill, Maureen Mongan, Marjorie Moores, Helen Murray, Sue Read, Stephen Smithers, Sue Spelling and Mary Treston.

Those who have died recently . . .

Reg Bradbrook died on Thursday 10 March. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Wednesday 6 April at 10.15 am followed by Committal at Forest Park Crematorium. We keep Bernie and their family and friends in our prayers.

Eileen Golding died on Wednesday 23 March. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 5 April at 1.00 pm followed by Burial at Upminster Cemetery.

Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

26 Mar – 1 Apr: Eddie McGettigan, Anne Smith, Tom McDonnell, Teresa Howell, Richard Curnow, Annie Tite, Dorothy Conway, Gerard Smith, Phyllis McLean, Bridget Robinson, Veronica Wells, William Moralee, Martin Hearne and Margaret O'Mahoney.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Marie & Tom Keenan.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Leonard Joseph.

The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph are being generously supported by donations for much of 2022. The following dates are still available, should you wish to 'adopt' a week:

Our Lady's Shrine: 9-15 July | 27 Aug-2 Sept | 22-28 Oct | 10-16 Dec **St Joseph's Shrine:** 3-9 Sept



MASS INTENTIONS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 26 Mar : 6.30 pm Rosario Cardozo RIP (Fernandes)

Sunday 27 Mar : 9.00 am Virginia Njoku RIP (Emeagi)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Monday 28 Mar : 9.15 am John McKernan RIP (Trustees & Friends of "Home from Home")

Tuesday 29 Mar : 9.15 am Anthony Fernandes RIP (Hilda)

Wednesday 30 Mar : 9.15 am Margarida Ferreira RIP (McGoay)

Thursday 31 Mar : 9.15 am Roy Brown RIP (Connie)

Friday 1 Apr : 9.15 am Harry Smith RIP (Welcome)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 2 Apr : 6.30 pm Jo Irwin RIP (Smyth)

Sunday 3 Apr : 9.00 am Richard Roche RIP (Peters)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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to contact Church House:

Fourth Sunday of Lent - *Laetare*

26-27 March 2022

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

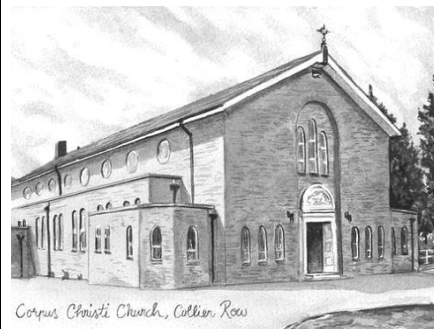
Live and recorded streaming of Mass can be accessed from the Home page of the parish website

PARISH WEBSITE

www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Daily until 6.00 pm



Corpus Christi Church, Collier Row

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00 am – 12.00 noon

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 for humanitarian aid for the people of Ukraine. The bucket will at the back of the church throughout Lent.

Some other suggestions to help make Lent special: try to create some time for peace and 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 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 humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. This year, we are making it 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. The last week our Lent Offerings for this Appeal raised £450.87 (£240.00 of this was gift-aided). Since the beginning of Lent, we have collected £1534.68 (£460.00 was gift-aided).

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last Sunday the Parish Offerings amounted to £705.26 (£333.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES

New sets of envelopes are now available for those taxpayers who are in the Gift Aid Scheme. If you make your weekly contributions by Standing Order, there are small boxes with envelopes for the occasional Second Collections.

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.

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. **The closing date for registering your interest is this Thursday - 31 March.**

CHURCH REPOSITORY

On sale this weekend – cards for Mothers' Day (27 March) and Easter (17 April).

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

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. Donation: £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

See the noticeboard. Booking for all these events, and all information, online at www.bcys.net/events

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

The next "Enquirers' Evening" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is on Tuesday 5 April at St Edmund of Canterbury Church in Loughton. The speaker will be Mgr Kevin Hale. For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org

BE PART OF THE WALSINGHAM HOUSE TEAM 2022/23

If you will be 18+ in September, and are looking for an exciting gap year opportunity, deepening teamworking and practical skills in a context of youth leadership and developing your faith, then a year on the Walsingham House Team could be for you. For more information please contact Joseph Beattie, by emailing josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org or calling 01277 373959. There is an open afternoon from 2-4pm on Sunday 10 April; for more information and to register, go to www.bcys.net/events/whopenday/

MARATHON PLACES

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has several charity Gold Bond places for the TCS London Marathon taking place on the iconic London course on Sunday 2 October 2022. If you would like to be considered for one of our places and think you could raise a fundraising total of £1800 before Gift Aid, please email Julie jabbott@bccs.org.uk All information is available on our website where our application form can be downloaded: <https://www.bccs.org.uk/fundraising-and-events/all-events/tcs-london-marathon> Please note that the closing date for applications is Friday 8th April.

HEADTEACHER VACANCY

St Alban's Catholic Primary School, Hornchurch. Required from 1st September 2022. Group 2: L11 – L17 (starting salary based on experience). NOR: 210 (1 form entry). The Governors of St Alban's Catholic Primary School are seeking to appoint an inspirational and dedicated Head Teacher from September 2022, due to our long-standing Head Teacher retiring. St Alban's is a caring, friendly school and community where our Catholic Ethos is central to all that we do. Our new Head Teacher will work with governors to shape the strategic direction of the school and will be responsible for the day-to-day leadership and management of St Alban's. Deadline for applications: 12:00 noon on 19th April 2022. For further information please contact School Business Manager Katrina Arrowsmith at contact@st-albans.havering.sch.uk or call the office Tel: 01708 555644 for an application pack or to arrange a mutually agreed date and time to visit.

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 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. Humma Gill 2. Terence Osuji 3. Nuala Doherty	Barbara Binder
2-3 April		
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. 3.	Liz Lawrence
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. Charles Gallen 3.	Auxilia Rayan
11.30 am	1. Michael Chadwick 2. Shirley Hay 3. Carleen Heath	Margaret Moffat
9-10 April		
6.30 pm	1. Sue Butcher 2. Kerry Truman 3. Mick Doolan	Caroline Ramstead
9.00 am	1. Ken Hay 2. Roger King 3. Wally Barnes	Andrew Green
11.30 am	1. Stephen Doherty 2. Nicole Osuji 3. Triston Osuji	Catherine Burnett
16-17 April		
7.30 pm	SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE EASTER VIGIL	
9.00 am	1. Lisa Walker 2. Maria Green 3. Colin Smith	Olivia Paton
11.30 am	1. Les Hislop 2. Onyema Agbebi 3. Catharine Welcome	Elaine New

To Mary, the Mother of the Redeemer, we entrust the cry for peace of the peoples oppressed by war and violence, so that the courage of dialogue and reconciliation prevail over the temptation of revenge, of corruption – Pope Francis, Friday 25 March