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, Garv Martindill, Maureen Mongan, Mariorie 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 pravers.

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 . . .

2-8 Apr: St John Paul II, John Burke, Margaret Keble, Florrie Noonan, Konrad Severin, Maire Coyle, Lily Burke, Sheila O'Leary, Christine O'Leary, Robert Ward, Vincent Bataller, Patrick Doyle, Joan Moran, John Prior, Jim Hoban, Michael Moyse, James Casey, Sister Raphael, Margaret Porter, Desmond Corduff, Cyril Field and Molly Welcome.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Elizabeth & Thomas Hedderman

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Molly Welcome.

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday 4 Apr : 9.15 am Conversion of President Putin & for the People of Russia (Jonas) Tuesday 5 Apr : 9.15 am Rita Ryan RIP & David Mann int (Day) 1.00 pm Requiem Mass for Eileen Golding Wednesday 6 Apr : 9.15 am Ian Philips RIP (McGoay) 10.15 am Requiem Mass for Reg Bradbrook Thursday 7 Apr : 9.15 am Paddy Hart RIP (O'Driscoll) Friday 8 Apr : 9.15 am Molly Welcome RIP (Kate)

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday 9 Apr : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community Sunday 10 Apr : 9.00 am Rita & Jimmy Peters int (Our Lady's Praver Group) 11.30 am Ngozi Onvekonwu & family int (Brown)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

Parish Priest: ■01708-749050 ⊠collierrow@dioceseofbrentwood.org Father Philip Denton Fifth Sunday of Lent 2-3 April 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

to contact Church House:

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

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 £170.01 (£27.00 of this was gift-aided). Since the beginning of Lent, we have collected £1704.69 (£487.00 was gift-aided).

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Our congratulations, good wishes and prayers for Blane McKie and Louise Hastie who celebrated their marriage here this weekend. We wish them many years of happy marriage.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last Sunday the Parish Offerings amounted to £665.94 (£298.75 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.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Our Liturgy of Forgiveness and Reconciliation will be celebrated here during Holy Week – on Monday 11 April at 7.00 pm.

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.

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

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

at the Ursuline Academy Ilford. Start: September 2022 or January 2023. Closing Date: 23:59, Sunday 24 April 2022. For further information please visit: uai.org.uk/about/vacancies

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP VACANCIES

Headteacher St Alban's Primary, Elm Park • Headteacher St Joseph's Primary, Upminster • Headteacher Holy Family Secondary School, Walthamstow • Deputy Headteacher St Mary's, Tilbury • Deputy Headteacher St Alban's, Elm Park • Deputy Headteacher, St Joseph's Primary School, Harwich

Details can be found at www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/

THE PASSAGE

'The Passage', a Catholic charity working with homeless people is raising funds through the Big Give a matched giving scheme. Every £1 donated online by 12.00 noon on Tuesday 19 April makes £2 and £2.25 if you are a taxpayer through Gift Aid. Please visit: https://bit.ly/BigGiveMarch22 to support the campaign. The campaign 'It takes more than a house to make a home' focuses on the services we provide to people who have been homeless in their journey to being happily settled in a new home. The Passage would be very grateful for your support. For questions about the campaign or assistance making a donation please ring 020-7592 1856.

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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 Gospo Acclamation

3 = Universal Pray