

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)

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

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

HIT THE ROAD heads South-East

The Champion School's annual fundraising walk for the Teenage Cancer Trust takes place on Saturday, 29th April. The 20-mile walk from Woolwich starts off along the River Thames before heading through parks and woodlands to Charlton and Eltham and then making our way back to the river at Greenwich. We then follow the Thames to Tower Bridge, finishing our walk at the Brewdog, Tower Hill. The 10-mile walk starts near Grove Park Station and then follows the second half of the 20-mile route. The entry fee of £15 adults/£10 concessions includes a t-shirt and certificate. Further information, including online entry, is available on our school website. <https://www.thecampionschool.org.uk/beyond-the-classroom/hit-the-road>

Please remember in your prayers

Those who are ill . . .

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

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

8-14 April: James Casey, Sister Raphael, Margaret Porter, Desmond Corduff, Cyril Field, Molly Welcome, Hanna Burns, Tony Shonk, Maureen Foley, Terry Cason, Margaret Hull, Nelly Harrington, Catherine Press, Tony Hatt, James McNamara, Patricia Ellis, Philip Prior, Philip Gallacher, James Hazeltine, John Spence and Paddy Dunne.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is for the intentions of the donor.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is for our parish community.



MASS INTENTIONS

SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Holy Saturday 8 Apr : 7.30 pm Molly Welcome RIP (Kate)

Easter Sunday 9 Apr : 9.00 am Eddie & Darren Margot RIP (Teresa)

11.30 am Steven Serrette RIP (Terri)

Easter Monday 10 Apr : 9.15 am Members of Our Parish Community

Easter Tuesday 11 Apr : 9.15 am Marie, Terence & John Dempsey RIP (O'Driscoll)

Easter Wednesday 12 Apr : 9.15 am Martha Fealty int (Micallef)

Easter Thursday 13 Apr : 9.15 am Joe Burke RIP (O'Driscoll)

Easter Friday 14 Apr : 9.15 am Frank Ennis RIP (Kim & Nigel)

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Easter Saturday 15 Apr : 6.30 pm Yvonne Wilson & family (Welcome)

Low Sunday 16 Apr : 9.00 am Father Henry Young RIP (PACT Westminster)

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

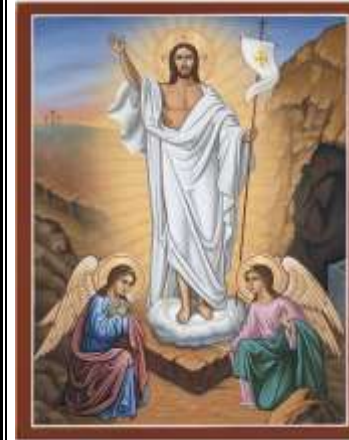
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Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

8-9 April 2023



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

Christ has conquered death and is risen to newness of life!

Wishing you a very happy Easter.

May you experience much joy as we celebrate the resurrection.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £1079.63 (£487.50 of this was gift aided). Last month, we received **£3024.25** by Standing Order. The Lent Offerings for the Turkey & Syria Earthquake Appeal came to a further £178.77 (£105 of this was gift-aided). The total raised throughout Lent came to **£1649.64**. Thank you for your continued support and contributions to our parish and to the CAFOD Appeal.

EASTER OFFERINGS

The Easter Offerings are a personal gift to our priest; this ancient tradition (together with our offerings at Christmas) form a substantial part of a priest's annual income. If you are not in the Gift Aid scheme, there are Easter Offerings envelopes available in the porch.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE MATCHING SERVICE

Caritas Social Action Network (an agency of the Catholic Church in England & Wales), in partnership with St John of God Hospitaller Services (an international Catholic charity with many services for the vulnerable in the UK and Ireland) are matching Ukrainian people displaced by the brutal war in their country with people in the Catholic community willing to host them in their homes for six months. If you have room in your home and in your heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, then we'd love to hear from you. Please visit <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/> for more information.

MISSIO – a message from Kate Welcome, Parish Missio Co-ordinator

We have now received the certificate from Missio which shows that we collected during 2022 the wonderful total of £1066.86 through the red box and direct giving, including direct debits and online

donations. On behalf of all the people who will benefit from your kindness, thank you. If you don't have a red box at home or would like more information about the wonderful work that Missio does for the poorest and most vulnerable communities, please do talk to me or Fr. Philip. Remember your donations can be given to me at any time which is convenient to you.

*The great gift of Easter is hope -
Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God,
in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love,
which nothing can shake.*

Cardinal Basil Hume

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)

LOVE THE STRANGER – document published by the Bishops of England & Wales

Scripture tells us: "Love the stranger then, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt" (Deuteronomy 10:19). The word 'stranger' is variously translated as 'foreigner', 'immigrant', 'sojourner' or 'alien'. However, the message remains consistent: those arriving from other parts of the world are our sisters and brothers. We are called to see Christ in them, for all people are created in His image. And we are called to see ourselves in them, for we all share this common humanity.

In 2023, people making dangerous journeys across the Channel to reach the UK are also called by various names: 'refugees', 'asylum seekers', 'migrants', and often by more derogatory terms.

This publication by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales Department for International Affairs is shaped by, and articulates, our Christian duty to look beyond such labels and see the person who has left their homeland in search of a better life. It can be found online at the Bishops' Conference website: cbcew.org.uk

CHILD AND FAMILY COUNSELLING SERVICE

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society offers therapeutic support directly to children, young people, families and parents through their Child and Family Counselling Service (CFCS) located in their head office in Billericay. Their CFCS team consists of several experienced and highly qualified therapists working in specially adapted therapy rooms. Families can contact BCCS directly by emailing Catherine Munns cmunns@bccs.org.uk who will outline the type of support that will be provided for them or their child. There is a charge for this service but they urge any families needing support to contact them. More information is available on their website: www.bccs.org.uk

PRIMARY SCHOOL LINK ADVISER

The Diocese of Brentwood is seeking to appoint a Primary School Link Adviser who is a practising Catholic, to support the Diocesan Board of Education and its family of schools. This is likely to be a part-time post of either 3 or 4 days a week, however, consideration will also be given to applicants who are seeking a full-time or secondment opportunity. The Primary Link Adviser will report to the Diocesan Director of Education and Deputy Director. The closing date for applications is midday on Friday 28th April 2023. Interviews will be held on Tuesday 2nd May 2023. Further details and an application form can be obtained here: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/primary-link-adviser-vacancy/>

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).

Motown Night Friday 21 April. Tickets £7

Freddie Mercury Tribute Act Friday 19 May. Tickets £10

An extract from the Homily of Pope Francis at the Easter Vigil, St Peter's Basilica, 16 April 2022

Brothers and sisters our hope has a name: the name of Jesus. He entered the tomb of our sin; he descended to those depths where we feel most lost; he wove his way through the tangles of our fears, bore the weight of our burdens and from the dark abyss of death restored us to life and turned our mourning into joy. Let us celebrate Easter with Christ! He is alive! Today, too, he walks in our midst, changes us and sets us free. Thanks to him, evil has been robbed of its power; failure can no longer hold us back from starting anew; and death has become a passage to the stirrings of new life. For with Jesus, the Risen Lord, no night will last forever; and even in the darkest night, in that darkness, the morning star continues to shine.

MINISTRY ROTA

The new Rota (from 11-12 March) 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

9 April		E
9.00 am	1. Maria Green 2. Eileen Jonas 3.	Andrew Green
11.30 am	1. Oluwajuwon Emmanuel 2. Arno Bastiampillai 3.	Alexandra Burt-Allen
15-16 April		A
6.30 pm	1. Ngozi Obiaknonwa 2. Gabrielle Gill 3. Margaret Smith	Dylan Scott
9.00 am	1. Charles Gallen 2. Mary Brennan 3.	Auxilia Rayan
11.30 am	1. Shirley Hay 2. Carleen Heath 3.	Remika Quintus
22-23 April		B
6.30 pm	1. 2. Mick Doolan 3. Sue Butcher	Maria Smith
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Wally Barnes 3. Ken Hay	Andrew Green
11.30 am	1. Nicole Osuji 2. Triston Osuji 3. Stephen Doherty	Adam Beddoe
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