

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.

JOB VACANCY – Cook & Kitchen Supervisor at Walsingham House Abbotswick

We are looking to recruit a cook and kitchen supervisor at Walsingham House at Abbotswick (15 hours/week, 39 weeks – Saturday 10.30am – 6.30pm; Sunday 10.00am – 1.30pm & Monday 10.00am – 1.30pm, with the potential for occasional overtime on weekdays), starting in January 2022. If you or any of your family and friends are interested in this role further information and a full job description can be found on our website, www.bcys.net or by emailing clairebailey@dioceseofbrentwood.org. The closing date is midday on 18 October 2021.

VACANCIES at Cathedral House, Brentwood

Details on the porch noticeboard for: a PA to the HR & Finance Team and for an Accounts Clerk.

ON-LINE RETREAT - Living Laudato Si' : 15th – 18th October

Open to all, this retreat will help personal prayer and reflection, and parish action, on the critical issue of care for God's creation. Bishop Alan will open the retreat, which will be led by expert speakers. For more information see the poster at the back of church or email laudatosi@dioceseofbrentwood.org

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 . . .

9-15 Oct: Winifred Dennis, Mick Kelly, Mandy Barros, Jim Rushton, Eileen O'Sullivan, Anne Scullion, Julie Smith, Kathleen Gillard, Sidney Valentine, Irene Weatherley, Brian Freeth, Patricia Maughey, Fred Pampanella, Carmelina Dellamura, Father Michael Flannery SJ, Davey O'Leary, Catherine Wells, Anne Lehane and Brian Jonas.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Mandy Barros.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Dominic Kelly.

The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph have been generously supported by donations for the whole of 2021; a list of dates that are still available in 2022 is on the porch noticeboard.



MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 9 Oct : 6.30 pm Holy Souls
Sunday 10 Oct : 9.00 am Connolly & Welcome families (Kate)
11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community
Monday 11 Oct : 9.15 am Rose Sheridan RIP (Tom)
Tuesday 12 Oct : 9.15 am Holy Souls
Wednesday 13 Oct : 9.15 am Rose Sheridan RIP (Tom)
Thursday 14 Oct : 9.15 am Brian Jonas RIP (Eileen)
Friday 15 Oct : 9.15 am Dominic Kelly RIP (O'Driscoll)

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 16 Oct : 6.30 pm Julie Smith RIP (Pat)
Sunday 17 Oct : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community
11.30 am Kay Piercy RIP (Swallow)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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Parish Priest:

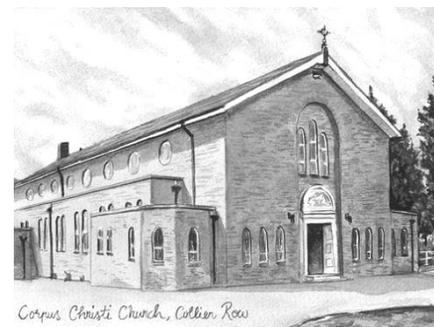
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to contact Church House:

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9-10 October 2021



THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER
Daily until 6.00 pm

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

PARISH WEBSITE

www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

STREAMING

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00 am – 12.00 noon

KEEP EVERYONE SAFE FROM COVID by maintaining these precautions in church . . .

Sanitise hands • Wear face coverings • Keep to the seating arrangements

Laudato Si' - Invitations, Commitments and Actions

Last weekend, the Diocese of Brentwood launched "Laudato Si' Invitations, Commitments and Actions". This is our response to the heartfelt plea from Pope Francis, "Listen to the Cry of the Earth, the Cry of the Poor." It is for every parishioner, young person, priest, deacon, religious sister and brother, parent, grandparent and school pupil in the Diocese.

Leaflets for each household are still available in the porch - with information and ideas for ways in which you can respond to the challenge to put our faith into action: what small part can you play to help heal our planet? There is also a 'Pledge Card' which you are asked to consider and complete. One half is to be kept at home, the other should be brought back to the church and placed in the Offertory Baskets.

On the Diocesan website there are lots of prayers, resources, links and ideas to help you dive deeply into what Bishop Alan names as "an integral part of our faith." Bishop Alan's Pastoral Letter is available in the Newsletter section of our parish website.

FATHERS' GROUP – Monday 18 October 7.30 pm here in Corpus Christi Church

In this session, we will reflect on the virtues related to daily work, followed by an informal social with refreshments. Come along if you are a new Dad or a battle-worn father of adolescents, or anywhere in between - you are most welcome. We meet every few weeks and the venue alternates between St Edwards and Corpus Christi. If you have any questions, please email me, Colin Smith, at colinandvictoria@virginmedia.com

YOUR OFFERINGS

Last weekend the Parish Offerings amounted to £786.10 (£374.50 of this was gift aided). The CAFOD Harvest Fast Day came to £595.60 (£322.80 of this was gift-aided). Standing orders and online payments: £2993.67. Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

THURSDAY CLUB

The Thursday Club (for over 60s) meets on Thursdays: 1.15 to 3.15 pm in the Parish Centre Hall – come and join us, everybody welcome. For more information phone Kay on 01708-722672.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Oliver Murteira into God's Family and pray that he and his family will grow in the knowledge and love of God.

THE RETURN OF THE ALTAR SERVERS

To be a Server, you need to have received your First Holy Communion. If interested, please sign up on the list in the sacristy. At the moment, we could do with a few more to join the rota for the Mass at 6.30 pm on Saturday and for 9.00 am on Sunday.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

If you have a child in Year 3 (or older) and you would like them to be prepared to receive First Holy Communion next summer – please send us an email with the child's name and a contact telephone number for us to contact you (or telephone the Parish Office). The Preparation Programme will begin after Christmas; we will get back to you once the arrangements have been finalised.

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)

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial of St John XXIII** – Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was born in the small village of Sotto il Monte in Italy, on 25 November 1881. He was the fourth of fourteen children born to poor parents who made their living as tenant farmers. Ordained a priest in 1904, he was appointed secretary to his bishop; when Italy was drawn into the war he was drafted into the Italian Army as a stretcher bearer and chaplain. In February 1925, he was sent to Bulgaria as the Apostolic Visitor to that country. Later, he was appointed apostolic delegate to Turkey and Greece and made titular archbishop of Mesembria. During his tenure as archbishop, Roncalli saved thousands of Jews and was named a "Righteous Gentile" following the war. In late 1944, the Church was anxious to remove clergy in France that had collaborated with the Nazis in various forms. Roncalli was sent to France as Nuncio to negotiate the retirement of bishops who were involved with the Nazis. In 1952, he was appointed Patriarch of Venice and, in the Conclave of 1958, was elected Pope, taking the name John. As Pope John XXIII, he immediately began to change the culture in the Vatican. It was originally expected that he would only serve a short time before passing away and that he would make no significant changes to Church practice. However, Pope John XXIII was a man of great mercy and kindness and, much like Pope Francis, did many things that created sensation in the streets and pews. Perhaps his most important decision was to call the Second Vatican Council. In late 1962 he was diagnosed with stomach cancer and on 3 June 1963 he died, aged 81. The date chosen for his feast day, 11 October, marks the anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council in 1962.

Tuesday is the **Diocesan Memorial of SS Ethelburga, Hildelithe & Cuthburga** – these 8th century, saintly Anglo-Saxon nuns were from the abbey at Barking – Ethelburga being their first abbess.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of St Edward the Confessor** – no tourist to London would miss a visit to Westminster Abbey and no Christian pilgrimage to the capital would be complete without a visit to the shrine of St King Edward, located behind the High Altar there. In religious art he is usually depicted as an elderly king, richly robed and holding a ring – which he is offering to St John, disguised as a beggar. One tradition suggests that this took place in this very area (actually in our parish) and is the origin of the name 'Havering' – though nowadays this is disputed by any serious historian. St Edward is patron of the parishes of central Romford (both Catholic and Anglican) and of the Catholic Deanery of Havering.

Thursday is the **Memorial of St Callistus** – his experiences as a slave when a young man no doubt helped Callistus to be a compassionate Pope. He was martyred early in the third century

Friday is the **Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila)** – 400 years ago the Carmelite sisters were partly reorganised by St Teresa. Her reform was strict but humane, combining opportunities for holiness with much practical common-sense. In 1970, Pope Paul VI proclaimed her a Doctor of the Church.

THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTIONS

The next talk will be on the 10 October and the question being explored is "What does it mean to talk about God?" Fr Mark Reilly, parish priest of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Wickford, will consider this question. If you would like to join this discussion, please forward a contact email to

adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org For more information about The Thresholds of Hope Questions go to www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk

REST AND REFLECTION WEEKEND RETREAT FOR ADULTS

(3pm Friday 19th – 3pm Sunday 21st November 2021) We welcome you to join us for a weekend of reflection and prayer in the beautiful house, grounds and chapel of Walsingham House at Abbotswick. The cost is £150 for a single room, £200 for a twin (twin bookings must be made together with someone known to you). This price is for 2 nights accommodation and all meals (all rooms are en-suite). For more information, enquiries and bookings please contact Joe Beattie on 01277-373959 or email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE at Walsingham House at Abbotswick

Those who have loved ones remembered within the ground at Walsingham House at Abbotswick are warmly invited to a special Mass of Remembrance on Sunday 7th November at 3pm. Due to capacity please contact Joseph Beattie in advance to reserve a place either on 01277-373959 or josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org

MINISTRY ROTA

The full version of this rota is on the parish website, in the 'Rotas' section.

There are also hard copies available in the Sacristy for those who do not use the internet.

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

Readers remove their face covering just before reading and replace it immediately afterwards.

| 16-17 October | | |
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| 6.30 pm | 1. Margaret Smith 2. 3. | David Elliott |
| 9.00 am | 1. Mary Brennan 2. Charles Gallen 3. | Andrew Walker |
| 11.30 am | 1. Michael Chadwick 2. Shirley Hay 3. Carleen Heath | Catherine Burnett |
| 23-24 October | | |
| 6.30 pm | 1. Sue Butcher 2. Kerry Truman 3. Mick Doolan | Henrietta Oppong |
| 9.00 am | 1. Ken Hay 2. Roger King 3. Wally Barnes | Auxilia Rayan |
| 11.30 am | 1. Stephen Doherty 2. 3. Triston Osuji | Michaela Henkel |
| 30-31 October | | |
| 6.30 pm | 1. Mary O'Driscoll 2. Jean Capps 3. Frank Smith | Liz Lawrence |
| 9.00 am | 1. Lisa Walker 2. Maria Green 3. Colin Smith | Andrew Green |
| 11.30 am | 1. Les Hislop 2. Onyema Agbebi 3. Catharine Welcome | Elaine New |
| 6-7 November | | |
| 6.30 pm | 1. Vanessa Thompson 2. Carol O'Kane 3. | Caroline Ramstead |
| 9.00 am | 1. Eileen Jonas 2. Alex Hinton 3. Pat Pridham | Alison Greene |
| 11.30 am | 1. Nuala Doherty 2. 3. Terence Osuji | Alexandra Burt-Allen |