

As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those who may wish to pray quietly. Before Mass, try to keep conversation to a minimum and avoid behaviour which could distract others.



Please switch off, or silence, mobile telephones.



A loop system is in operation throughout the church. Hearing aids that are equipped to do so should be switched to the 'T' position or to the loop setting appropriate to your equipment.

If you are unable to stand at any point during the service, please feel free to remain seated.

BCYS SUMMER LOURDES 2023

Applications are now open for the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service pilgrimage to Lourdes, from 23rd – 30th July 2023! The week is spent travelling alongside the main Diocesan pilgrimage to assist the elderly and infirm, and for those travelling with the BCYS, the week will also include a retreat, reconciliation service, the chance to visit the baths, a trip to a UNESCO World Heritage site, social nights and party as well as experiencing the Lourdes Torchlight Procession and Blessed Sacrament Procession. Open to anyone in school year 10 and above, all information and details on how to apply can be found at www.bcys.net/events/sl23

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 and Mary Treston.

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

12-18 Nov: Antoni Sieroto, Stanley Collins, Hilda Ketley, Bert Smith, Ellen Stride, Kathleen Miller, Kathleen Hart, Margaret Hughes, John Greene, Liam Greene, Ronald Brown, Kathleen Peat, Patrick Callaghan and Thomas Moran.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Maureen Greene. The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in thanksgiving (Ken and Pat).

Thanks to many generous donations, the shrine lights are being maintained for the whole of this year.

A list in the porch gives the few dates that are still available for 2023; envelopes are available in the porch should you wish to contribute to the upkeep of Our Lady's or St Joseph's lights.



MASS INTENTIONS

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 12 Nov: 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 13 Nov: 9.00 am Maureen & Johnny McCarthy RIP (McCarthy family)

11.30 am Janice Johnston RIP (Peter Johnston & family)

Monday 14 Nov: 9.15 am Hannah Hart RIP (O'Driscoll) Tuesday 15 Nov: 9.15 am Maria Kelham RIP (O'Driscoll)

Wednesday 16 Nov: 9.15 am Daniel & David McGoay RIP (Mary & Peter)

Thursday 17 Nov: 9.15 am Matildes Fernandes RIP (Delima) Friday 18 Nov: 9.15 am Winifred Long RIP (Long family)

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Saturday 19 Nov: 6.30 pm Holy Souls Sunday 20 Nov: 9.00 am Jennifer Perlas RIP (Armida) 11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

12-13 November 2022



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

STREAMING

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

PARISH WEBSITE

www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9.00 am - 12.00 noon

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November is the month when we especially remember our dead and their influence on us, the living. We also pray for them and offer Masses for the repose of their souls in the eternal life of God. Our custom here, for many years, is to leave the names of our loved ones before the altar throughout the month. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the porch; please place them in the offertory baskets, put them through the letter box at Church House or hand them in to the sacristy. Any offerings you make will help to provide Masses for the Holy Souls, celebrated during November and throughout the year.

VISIT TO ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

If you have a child born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 – they are due to start school in September 2023. St Patrick's would like you and your child to come and visit our Reception Class. Please call or e-mail the school office to book your place on a visit on Wednesday 11 January at 2.00 pm: 01708-745655 or office@saint-patricks.org.uk

We are looking forward to meeting you and your child.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last Sunday the Parish Offerings amounted to £726.08 (£374.50 of this was gift aided). In the past month we have received £2808.25 from Standing Orders and £224 on-line and card reader donations. Thank you for your kind giving.

CHURCH REPOSITORY

On sale in the church porch from next weekend, and for several weeks thereafter, religious Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars and gifts, all reasonably priced.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023

The annual diocesan pilgrimage, led by Bishop Alan, will take place from Monday 24 – Saturday 29 July. All are welcome, including those of us who need assistance. Details regarding booking and costs will follow soon.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK ...

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Albert the Great** – a Dominican friar and Doctor of the Church. Master of many subjects, St Thomas Aquinas was one of his students (St Thomas became one of the most influential teachers in the Church, after St Paul and St Augustine of Hippo). St Albert died in 1280.

Wednesday is the **Diocesan Memorial of St Edmund Rich** – a secondary patron of our diocese. Born in Abingdon in 1180, he studied at Oxford and Paris, becoming professor of philosophy at Oxford and, in 1233, Archbishop of Canterbury. His uncompromising stand on discipline and justice led him into conflict with several monasteries, his Cathedral Chapter and with King Henry III. He retired to the Cistercian abbey at Pontigny, where he died in 1242. He was canonised four years later.

Thursday is the **National Memorial of St Hilda of Whitby** — an extraordinary and formidable abbess of the double monastery (one for monks and another for nuns) at Whitby. She summoned the bishops to what became known as the Synod of Whitby to sort out the mess the men had made of running the Church. As a result it was decided to follow the calendar and practice of the Church of Rome and abandon the more ancient Celtic tradition brought by Irish monks to the north of England. Agreement was also reached on how to calculate the date for the (moveable) feast of Easter.

Friday is the **Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of SS Peter and Paul** - — these two great churches in Rome are built over the tombs of the great founders of the Church. St Peter's on the Vatican Hill; St Paul's outside the walls of the ancient city on the Via Ostiense.

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)

Any carrier bags you may have to spare would be very useful and greatly appreciated.

CALAIS LIGHT

is calling YOU to join us on our refugee convoys to Calais. Age 18+. Nov 18-20 and Dec 9-11. Experienced Continental drivers are extra welcome. A promised weekend of fun and fulfilment is guaranteed. Volunteer & really help refugees. Full details and bookings at www.calaislight.com. Can't make the trip? Please donate at: https://www.gofundme.com/f/6n9sg-calais-light

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN - change of venue and times

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

Pope Francis, Angelus Address, St Peter's Square, 17 November 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

the Gospel of this penultimate Sunday of the liturgical year (cf. Lk 21:5-19) presents to us Jesus' discourse on the end of time. Jesus delivers it before the Temple of Jerusalem, a building admired by the people for its grandeur and splendour. But He prophesied that all the beauty of the Temple, that grandeur, "there shall not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down" (v. 6). The destruction of the Temple foretold by Jesus is not so much a metaphor of the end of history as of the purpose of history. Indeed, before the listeners who want to know how and when these signs will happen, Jesus responds with the typical apocalyptic language of the Bible.

He uses two apparently contrasting images: the first is a series of frightening events: catastrophes, wars, famines, riots and persecutions (vv. 9-12); the other is reassuring: "Not a hair of your head will perish" (v. 18). First of all, there is a realistic look at history, marked by calamity and also by violence, by traumas that wound creation, our common home, and also the human family that lives there, and the Christian community itself. Think of the many wars today, so many catastrophes today. The second image — enclosed in Jesus' reassurance — tells us what attitude the Christian should adopt in living this story, characterized by violence and adversity.

And what is the attitude of the Christian? It is the attitude of hope in God, which allows us not to be overwhelmed by tragic events. Indeed, they are "a time to bear witness" (v. 13). Christ's disciples cannot remain slaves to fear and anxiety; instead they are called to live history, to stem the destructive force of evil, with the

certainty that the Lord's action of goodness is always accompanied by His providential and reassuring tenderness. This is the eloquent sign that the Kingdom of God is approaching us, that is, the realization of the world as God wants it. It is He, the Lord, Who guides our existence and knows the ultimate purpose of things and events.

The Lord calls us to cooperate in the construction of history, becoming, together with Him, peacemakers and witnesses of hope in a future of salvation and resurrection. Faith makes us walk with Jesus on the very often tortuous roads of this world, in the certainty that the power of His Spirit will bend the forces of evil, subjecting them to the power of God's love. Love is superior, love is more powerful, because it is God: God is love. The Christian martyrs are an example to us — our martyrs, of our times too, who are more numerous than those at the beginning — who, despite persecution, are men and women of peace. They hand on an inheritance for us to preserve and imitate: the Gospel of love and mercy. This is the most precious treasure that has been given to us and the most effective witness that we can give to our contemporaries, responding to hatred with love, to offence with forgiveness. Even in our daily lives: when we receive an offence, we feel hurt; but we must forgive from the heart. When we feel we are hated, we must pray with love for the person who hates us. May the Virgin Mary, through her maternal intercession, sustain our daily journey of faith, following the Lord who guides history.

MINISTRY ROTA

The Rota is also available in the 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.

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

12-13 Nov	ember	D
6.30 pm	Vanessa Thompson Shantay Charles Carol O'Kane	Chantelle Makamba
9.00 am	 Alex Hinton Pat Pridham 	Olivia Paton
11.30 am	Humma Gill Terence Osuji Nuala Doherty	Alexandra Burt-Allen
19-20 November E		
6.30 pm	Kim Pritchard Hanyeolisa Onyekonwu Mary O'Driscoll	David Elliott
9.00 am	Eileen Jonas S. Maria Green	Alison Greene
11.30 am	Catharine Welcome Oluwajuwon Emmanuel Arno Bastiampillai	Michael Chadwick
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6.30 pm	Margaret Smith Gabrielle Gill Ngozi Obiakonwa	Dylan Scott
9.00 am	Mary Brennan Charles Gallen 3.	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	Carleen Heath Shirley Hay	Adam Beddoe
3-4 Decem	ber	В
6.30 pm	Sue Butcher Mick Doolan 3.	Maria Smith
9.00 am	Wally Barnes Ken Hay Roger King	Andrew Walker
11.30 am	Triston Osuji Stephen Doherty Nicole Osuji	Barbara Binder