

"LOURDES AT YOUR LOCAL" : 26th – 30th July 2021

From Monday 26th - Friday 30th July, the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service will be hosting "Lourdes at your Local" for Summer 2021. There will be a Mass celebrated each morning at 11am, with Anointing of the Sick and joyful music, followed by coffee and refreshments. These will then be streamed online each evening, as well as Daily Rosary, a Torchlight Procession and Talent Show (which we encourage you to also get involved in!). The Masses will take place in Leigh-on-Sea, Clacton-on-Sea, Canning Town, Wanstead and Brentwood, and we are welcoming all ages, with particular invitation to those who have been housebound or shielding over the last year. Further details and a full itinerary are available on our website www.bcys.net/events or you can email gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org for more information.

"LOURDES ON THE LAWN" : 31 July 2021

This event is open to anyone currently in school Year 13 or above (approx. age 18-28) from 12pm – 4pm on Saturday 31st July. We will celebrate Mass together with Bishop Alan at Midday, and invite those attending to bring a picnic to enjoy in the beautiful grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick during the afternoon. You can find more information at www.bcys.net/events or email gabriellafusi@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, Rose Sheridan, Stephen Smithers, Sue Spelling, Mary Treston and Gwen Wright.

Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

26 June – 2 July: Bill McCurry, Nora Togher, Donnelle Porter, Gerard Daniel Bohan, Delia Ginty, James Toye, James Fitzpatrick, Eileen Blunderfield, Helen Austin, Martin Tubby and William Duncan.

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 the intentions of the donor.

The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph have been generously supported by donations for the whole of 2021; several weeks in 2022 have already been covered.



MASS INTENTIONS

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 26 June : 6.30 pm Bridget Dinneen RIP (Butcher)
Sunday 27 June : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community
11.30 am Thanksgiving – Lorna Vettath (Vettath family)
Monday 28 June : 9.15 am Mary Whelton RIP (M Denton)

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

Tuesday 29 June : 9.15 am Tony & Justine Knight RIP (Cast)
7.30 pm Holy Souls

Wednesday 30 June : 9.15 am Intentions of the Donor

Thursday 1 July : 9.15 am Holy Souls

Friday 2 July : 9.15 am Justine & Tony Knight RIP (Cast)

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 3 July : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community
Sunday 4 July : 9.00 am Ed & Margaret Corcoran RIP (Pye)
11.30 am John Lyddon RIP (McKie)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

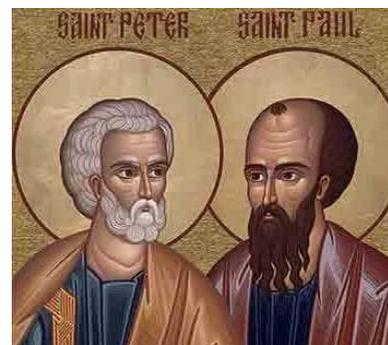
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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26-27 June 2021



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

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

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Friday : 9.45 am

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Daily until 6.00 pm

PARISH WEBSITE

www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

STREAMING

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

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL - HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

Tuesday 29 June is the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul.

Masses at 9.15 am and 7.30 pm.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Neylan Welch-Nurettin and Joshua Goodman into God's Family and pray that they and their families will grow in the knowledge and love of God.

FATHERS' GROUP

Colin Smith will be starting a group for fathers in the coming weeks. This will be a great opportunity for dads of all ages in the parish to get together one evening a month for a short time of guided prayer in church followed by an informal social. The aim is to strengthen family men in their faith and example, and to build fellowship. Each month we will take a different theme or form of prayer. The group will be a joint initiative with St. Edward's in Romford. Please email Colin at colinandvictoria@virginmedia.com to register your interest or if you would like to find out more.

YOUR OFFERINGS

Last weekend the Parish Offerings amounted to £560.13 (£308.50 of this was gift aided). The 'Day for Life' collection raised £102.55. Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – important information for young people in Year 11

If you are in Year 11 at the moment, come to Mass at this church, and would like to be Confirmed, please contact Father Philip to let him know you are interested. Either send an email (this would be the best option) or phone the Parish Office as soon as possible. You will need to give us an email or home address so we can send you details when they are finalised. **The absolute deadline for doing this is Sunday 25 July** – but don't wait until then! **Please note: the Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 20 November at 12 noon.**

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.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Receiving Holy Communion in the hand

This week it was disturbing that, once again, a consecrated Host was found on the church floor (this time by members of the church cleaning team). It is important that we take great care when receiving Holy Communion and follow the procedure outlined below:

1. **Before** you approach the priest or minister your face covering should be removed or lowered.
2. The Host is placed in your hands with the words: 'The Body of Christ'; you respond: 'Amen'.
3. Step to one side.
4. Stand still and reverently consume the Host.
5. Return to your seat, replacing your face covering as you go.

Receiving Holy Communion on the tongue

This is now possible once more ... however, you must wait until everyone else has received and come up at the end of the Communion Procession. Obviously, you should remove or lower your face covering. Because the priest or minister will not be able to sanitise hands between each communicant, there could be a health issue: at present there can be no guarantee that receiving in this way is safe from the risk of infection.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial of St Irenaeus** – a second century Bishop of Lyons and one of the most important theologians of his time; a true 'servant of the Lord'. One of his most famous sayings: "The glory of God is man, fully alive".

Tuesday is the **Solemnity of SS Peter & Paul** – Peter, a married fisherman of Galilee, was a disciple of John the Baptist before being called by Christ to be an apostle, together with Andrew, his brother. As chief of the apostles and one of Christ's inner circle, the early part of his career is familiar from the Gospels and the first part of the Acts of the Apostles. However, from his imprisonment by Herod Agrippa (and his miraculous release) until his martyrdom at Rome his career is virtually unknown. In 48AD, he made a decisive intervention at the Council of Jerusalem and St Paul described (in his Letter to the Galatians) a difference with him at Antioch in Syria. The tradition that he was crucified upside-down in the reign of Nero derives from the writings of Tertullian.

Most of Paul's career as an apostle (the Apostle to the Gentiles) is familiar in outline from the Acts of the Apostles, and forms the greater part of that work. The thirteen letters by him in the New Testament give a good presentation of his theology, though his authorship of several of them is disputed (eg the letter to the Colossians). His conversion near Damascus was about the year 34, and his apostolic journeys were from 47 until his arrest in Jerusalem in 58; he was in Rome in the year 61. Apart from the New Testament, there is no evidence of his life and work – though it is noticeable that the areas of Asia Minor and Greece described as having been evangelised by him were strongholds of Christianity during the Roman persecutions. The year of his martyrdom is uncertain – he was traditionally said to have been beheaded near the Ostian Way where the churches of the *Tre Fontane* now stand (ask Father Philip for the story of the three fountains and the, subsequent, commemorative churches).

Wednesday is the **Memorial of the First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church** – following the burning of Rome, the insane Emperor Nero used the Christians as scapegoats and launched a bloody persecution in the year 64. Many historians now believe the fire was the work of Nero himself – a 'slum clearance' programme that enabled him to clear a vast site for his *Domus Aurea* with its magnificent gardens. Many Christians were tied to posts, daubed with tar and set in fire – lighting the Appian Way from Rome to the coast at Ostia Antica.

Thursday is the **Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Alan Williams sm** – which took place at Brentwood Cathedral in 2014.

Saturday is the **Feast of St Thomas** - famous for his 'doubting' – but also for his great profession of faith: 'My Lord and my God'. According to tradition, Thomas took the gospel to India and is their principal patron saint.

KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA

They need more workers in the vineyard. All their meetings at the moment are on Zoom and they are looking for new members. If you are a Catholic man aged 16+ and wish to say 'yes' to putting your faith into action by good deeds, please get in touch with Douglas Mongan on douglas.mongan@gmail.com

THE THRESHOLDS OF HOPE WEBSITE

has now been launched. This new online resource is the work of the Brentwood Diocese Vicariate for Adult Formation and aims to help adults to deepen their relationship with Christ and His Church. Please have a look at the website and watch it develop over time. Do let us know what you think of it. The website address is www.thresholdofhope.co.uk

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.

26-27 June		
6.30 pm	1. Vanessa Thompson 2. Margaret Smith 3.	Clare Scott
9.00 am	1. Charles Gallen 2. 3. Mary Brennan	Andrew Green
11.30 am	1. Shirley Hay 2. Carleen Heath 3. Michael Chadwick	John McKie
3-4 July		
6.30 pm	1. Kerry Truman 2. Mick Doolan 3.	Chantelle Makamba
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Wally Barnes 3. Ken Hay	Olivia Paton
11.30 am	1. 2. Triston Osuji 3. Stephen Doherty	Adam Beddoe
10-11 July		
6.30 pm	1. Jean Capps 2. Frank Smith 3. Mary O'Driscoll	Dylan Scott
9.00 am	1. Maria Green 2. Colin Smith 3. Lisa Walker	Alison Greene
11.30 am	1. Onyema Agbebi 2. Les Hislop 3. Triston Osuji	Barbara Binder
17-18 July		
6.30 pm	1. 2. Vanessa Thompson 3.	Carmelina Fulton
9.00 am	1. Alex Hinton 2. Pat Pridham 3. Eileen Jonas	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	1. 2. Terence Osuji 3. Nuala Doherty	Victoria Cassettari

"Charity is the beating heart of the Christian: just as one cannot live without a heartbeat, so one cannot be a Christian without charity"

Pope Francis