

BISHOP'S CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS AND YOUTH MINISTRY

The Bishop's Certificate is designed to be an entry level qualification to help in the ongoing formation of adults involved in sacramental preparation or youth ministry in the Diocese of Brentwood. It includes both the development of practical skills & the deepening of theological knowledge. The course is online and taught through engaging, short videos with expert interviews. The course will begin on the evening of 24th February, with an introduction and welcome evening, held at Walsingham House at Abbotswick. For more information please see our website: <https://bcys.net/bishops-cert/> or email your expression of interest, by Monday 22 February, to bishopscertificate@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 who have died recently . . .

Irene Manby died on Monday 24 January; her Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 18 February at 11.00 am followed by the Service of Committal at Corbets Tey Crematorium.

Josephine Camilleri-Walton, Mary Barnard's sister, died on Thursday 13 January; her Funeral Service is at Forest Park Crematorium on Wednesday 23 February.

Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

5-11 Feb: Luigi Dellamura, Bessie Page, Sheila Chater, Henry Spencer, Michael Walsh, Don Philliston, Stephen Chadwick, Jack Long, Steve Mazza, Peggy McGeary, Alice Gear, Arthur Westrop, James Malanafey, Stan Richards, Geoffrey Lewis, Cyril Dennis, Dympna Samwell, Josef Czermak, Giovanna Malanafey, May Burfield, Anne Pye, Maureen Leedham, Audrey Coker, John Ginty, Alan Browne, Bill Hay, Joe Donovan and Johnny McCarthy.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Cyril Sequerah.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is for the intentions of the donor.

The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph are being generously supported by donations for much of 2022; a list of dates that are still available is in the porch.



MASS INTENTIONS

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 5 Feb : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 6 Feb : 9.00 am Anne Pye RIP (Pye family)

11.30 am Peggy McGeary RIP (McGeary family)

Monday 7 Feb : 9.15 am Stephen & Joyce Chadwick RIP (Michael)

Tuesday 8 Feb : 9.15 am Alice & Roland Gear RIP (Chadwick)

Wednesday 9 Feb : 9.15 am Josef Czermak RIP (Pat)

Thursday 10 Feb : 9.15 am John Hendricks RIP (Sequerah)

Friday 11 Feb : 9.15 am Thanksgiving for Emily Cardozo (Andre & Hilda)

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 12 Feb : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 13 Feb : 9.00 am David Barwell RIP (Barwell family)

11.30 am Eileen Davies RIP (Wilson)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

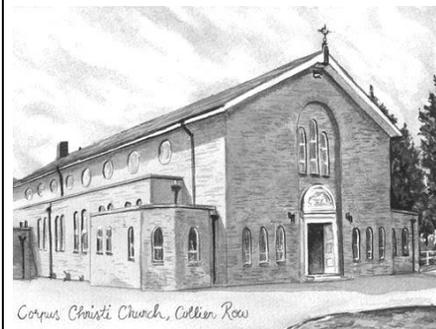
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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5-6 February 2022



Corpus Christi Church, Collier Row

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

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

CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS ~ hands | face | space

The virus is still with us and, whilst there have been relaxations to the legally-required precautions, we have received guidance that encourages us 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. We have re-opened all the pews to accommodate more people; please try to keep at least one metre from anyone who is not a member of your household; there is plenty of space to spread out. Holy Water is back!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Faith O'Donoghue into the Church and pray that she and her family will grow in the knowledge and love of God within our faith community.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last Sunday the Parish Offerings amounted to £622.71 (£330.60 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

CRIB OFFERINGS

As is our custom in this diocese – our offerings made at the Crib go to support the work of the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. If you still have one, your Gift Aid envelope with your Crib Offerings can be placed in the collection baskets this weekend.

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.

BE PART OF THE WALSHINGHAM HOUSE TEAM 2022/23

If you are 18+ and looking for an exciting gap year opportunity, then a year on the Walsingham House Team could be for you. Spend a year as a volunteer in a thriving young Catholic Community, working with thousands of young people from Essex and East London. We are looking for inspiring individuals who want to share their faith with other young people and are also looking to learn new skills, grow deeper in their own faith and enjoy a challenge. For more information please contact Joseph Beattie, manager of Walsingham House, by emailing josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org or calling 01277-373959. There is more information about our work on our website (www.bcys.net) and social media @Brentwoodcys

VACANCY AT THE ALMHOUSE, INGATESTONE

A vacancy has arisen at the Almshouses situated along the High St in Ingatestone. The Almshouse is a one-bedroom property for single persons. Candidates must be over 50 years of age and in need. Preference may be given to Roman Catholics. To apply please contact Mike Falcone, Trustee, Ginge Petre Trust on tel 07935-959388.

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)

Our thanks to all who frequently bring generous donations and leave them in the church porch – your kindness is much appreciated by the volunteers who run the Foodbank and by those people it assists.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Thursday is the **Memorial of St Scholastica** – the sister of St Benedict, it is not known whether she lived in community or alone, she lived near the monastery at Monte Cassino and Benedict visited her shortly before she died.

Friday is the **Diocesan Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes** – as with all true shrines of the Mother of God, Lourdes is a place where Mary leads us to her Son; in addition, she urges us to do penance for the sins of the world. It was on this day in 1858 that Our Lady first appeared to Bernadette. The girl grew up to lead a life of great saintliness, and died in 1879.

Pope Francis, Angelus Address, St Peter’s Square, 10 February 2019

In today’s Gospel passage, Luke’s narrative (cf. Lk 5:1-11) offers us the call of Saint Peter. His name — as we know — was Simon, and he was a fisherman. On the shore of the Lake of Galilee, Jesus sees him as he is arranging his nets, along with other fishermen. He finds him exhausted and discouraged, because that night they had caught nothing. And Jesus surprises him with an unexpected gesture: He gets into his boat and asks him to put out a short distance from the land because He wants to speak to the people from there — there were many people. So Jesus sits down in Simon’s boat and teaches the crowd gathered along the shore. But His words reopen even Simon’s heart to trust. Then, with another surprising ‘move’, Jesus says to him: “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch” (v. 4).

Simon responds with an objection: “Master, we have toiled all night and took nothing!” And, as an expert fisherman, he could have added: ‘If we didn’t catch anything during the night, we aren’t going to catch anything during the day’. However, inspired by Jesus’ presence and enlightened by His Word, he says: “But at your word I will let down the nets” (v. 5). It is the response of faith, which we too are called to give; it is the attitude of willingness that the Lord asks of all his disciples, especially those who are tasked with responsibilities in the Church. And Peter’s trustful obedience creates a prodigious result: “when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish” (v. 6).

It is a miraculous catch, a sign of the power of Jesus’ word: when we place ourselves generously in his service, he accomplishes great things in us. This is what he does in each of us: he asks us to welcome him on the boat of our life, in order to set out anew with him and to sail a new sea, one which proves to be full of surprises. His call to go out into the open sea of the humanity of our time, in order to be witnesses to goodness and mercy, gives new meaning to our existence, which is often at risk of collapsing upon itself. At times we may be surprised and

uncertain before the call that the divine Master addresses to us, and we may be tempted to reject it due to our inadequacy. Peter too, after this incredible catch, said to Jesus: “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord” (v. 8). This humble prayer is beautiful: ‘Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord’. But he says it on his knees before the One whom by this point he recognizes as ‘Lord’. And Jesus encourages him by saying: “Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men” (v. 10); because God — if we trust in Him — frees us from our sin and opens a new horizon before us: to cooperate in his mission.

The greatest miracle that Jesus accomplished for Simon and the other tired and discouraged fishermen is not so much the net full of fish, as having helped them not to fall victim to disappointment and discouragement in the face of failure. He prepared them to become proclaimers of and witnesses to his word and the Kingdom of God. And the disciples’ response was immediate and unreserved: “when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him” (v. 11). May the Blessed Virgin, model of prompt adherence to God’s will, help us to feel the allure of the Lord’s call, and make us willing to cooperate with him to spread his word of salvation everywhere.

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 Gospel Acclamation*
- 3 = *Universal Prayer*

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

5-6 February		
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. Carol O’Kane 3. Vanessa Thompson	Liz Lawrence
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. Charles Gallen 3.	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	1. Carleen Heath 2. Shirley Hay 3. Michael Chadwick	Adam Beddoe
12-13 February		
6.30 pm	1. Sue Butcher 2. Mick Doolan 3. Kerry Truman	Caroline Ramstead
9.00 am	1. Wally Barnes 2. Ken Hay 3. Roger King	Andrew Walker
11.30 am	1. Triston Osuji 2. Stephen Doherty 3.	Barbara Binder
19-20 February		
6.30 pm	1. Frank Smith 2. Mary O’Driscoll 3. Jean Capps	Clare Scott
9.00 am	1. Colin Smith 2. Lisa Walker 3. Maria Green	Auxilia Rayan
11.30 am	1. Les Hislop 2. Onyema Agbebi 3. Catharine Welcome	Margaret Moffat
26-27 February		
6.30 pm	1. Vanessa Thompson 2. Carol O’Kane 3.	Chantelle Makamba
9.00 am	1. Pat Pridham 2. Eileen Jonas 3. Alex Hinton	Andrew Green
11.30 am	1. Terence Osuji 2. Nuala Doherty 3.	Catherine Burnett