

IRISH SINGALONG AT THE COLLIER ROW CATHOLIC CLUB

Irish Singalong Evening with Kelly's Heroes and featuring Holly Wyatt - Friday 18 March from 7.30 pm Tickets: £7 (available from the bar). Irish Rover, Molly Malone, Danny Boy, The Fields of Athenry, Galway Girl and more.

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)

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 . . .

Jack Galvin died on Sunday 27 February. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 18 March at 12 noon, followed by Committal at Forest Park Crematorium.

Reg Bradbrook died on Thursday 10 March; we keep Bernie and their family and friends in our prayers.

Those whose anniversaries are recalled at this time . . .

12-18 Mar: Maria Mazza, John Harrington, Eric Moores, Kevin White, Hannah White, Pat O'Mahoney, Robert Hitchcock, Dennis Carroll, Leslie Jones, Frances Byrne, Vera Wright, George Compton, Ivy Servois and Bernard Gay.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Stephen & Martha Farrell.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Joe Dempsey.

The lights in honour of Our Lady and St Joseph are being generously supported by donations for much of 2022. The following weeks are still available:

Our Lady's Shrine: 9-15 July, 23-29 July, 6-12 August, 27 August-2 September, 22-28 October, 5-11 November, 19-25 November and 10-16 December.

St Joseph's Shrine: 2-8 April, 23-29 July, 6-12 August, 13-19 August, 3-9 September, 12-18 November, 19-25 November and 3-9 December.



MASS INTENTIONS

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 12 Mar : 6.30 pm Valerie Lynch RIP (Smyth)

Sunday 13 Mar : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community

11.30 am Anthony Fernandes RIP (Rose)

Monday 14 Mar : 9.15 am Members of Our Parish Community

Tuesday 15 Mar : 9.15 am Chris Mnnandi Ogbechie int (Chris & Rose)

Wednesday 16 Mar : 9.15 am Hannah, James & Kevin White (McGoay)

Thursday 17 Mar : 9.15 am Chris Mnnandi Ogbechie int (Chris & Rose)

11.00 am Whole School Mass for St Patrick's Day

Friday 18 Mar : 9.15 am Chris Mnnandi Ogbechie int (Chris & Rose)

12.00 noon Requiem Mass for Jack Galvin

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 19 Mar : 6.30 pm Chris Mnnandi Ogbechie int (Chris & Rose)

Sunday 20 Mar : 9.00 am David Pye RIP (Pye family)

11.30 am Chris Mnnandi Ogbechie int (Chris & Rose)

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Second Sunday of Lent

12-13 March 2022

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

WAY OF THE CROSS

Mondays in Lent : 7.30 pm

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Friday : 9.45 am

STREAMING

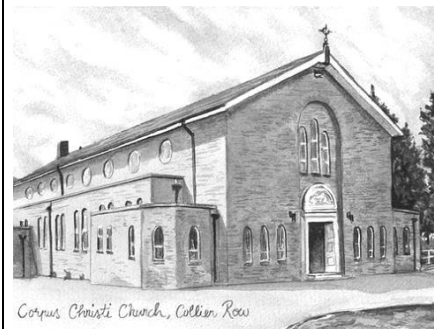
Live and recorded streaming of Mass can be accessed from the Home page of the parish website

PARISH WEBSITE

www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Daily until 6.00 pm



Corpus Christi Church, Collier Row

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday : 9.00 am – 12.00 noon

THE HOLY FATHER'S WORDS AFTER THE ANGELUS LAST SUNDAY

Dear brothers and sisters,

Rivers of blood and tears are flowing in Ukraine. It is not merely a military operation, but a war, which sows death, destruction and misery. The number of victims is increasing, as are the people fleeing, especially mothers and children. The need for humanitarian assistance in that troubled country is growing dramatically by the hour.

I make a heartfelt appeal for humanitarian corridors to be genuinely secured, and for aid to be guaranteed and access facilitated to the besieged areas, in order to offer vital relief to our brothers and sisters oppressed by bombs and fear. I thank all those who are taking in refugees. Above all, I implore that the armed attacks cease and that negotiation - and common sense - prevail. And that international law be respected once again.

LENT OFFERINGS : UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL

The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD), together with fourteen other aid agencies, has launched an emergency appeal to raise funds to help with the rapidly-developing humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. This year, we will make this the focus of our Lenten giving and will arrange to send any money raised immediately to help CAFOD and its partner agency Caritas Ukraine, which is already on the ground delivering medical, food and emergency supplies. The first week of our Lent Offerings for this Appeal raised £540.47 (£130.00 of this was gift-aided).

DURING LENT

The traditional 'disciplines' of Lent include prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As we set out on the journey to Easter, we ask ourselves: "What could I do to help deepen my spiritual life?" Giving something up shouldn't mean extra (saved) money in our pockets: why not give an appropriate amount to a charity of your choice or support our Lenten Offerings Appeal. The basket will be at the back of the church throughout Lent. *Some other suggestions to help make Lent special:* try to create some time for quiet – for thought and prayer, for reflecting on the Word of God (take away the readings sheet to help with this). Come to a weekday Mass at 9.15 am (Monday to Friday) or take part in the Way of the Cross on Mondays at 7.30 pm.

LENT FAST DAY

Friday was the annual Lent Fast Day – the proceeds of our fasting will be collected after Masses this weekend and will go to help CAFOD, our national Catholic aid agency, with its work in the developing world.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last Sunday the Parish Offerings amounted to £688.63 (£282.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS – hands and face

The virus is still with us and we are advised to continue 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.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Bishop will be visiting our parish on Wednesday 18 May and will celebrate Mass with the Sacrament of Confirmation that evening. If you are in Year 11 and would like to be prepared for Confirmation this year, please send Father Philip an email (or telephone the Parish Office) to register your interest. **The closing date for registering your interest is Thursday 31 March.** We will be in touch very soon to let you have the details of the preparation programme.

CHURCH REPOSITORY

On sale from this weekend and for several weeks thereafter – cards for St. Patrick's Day (17th March) and Mother's Day (27th March).

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.

LENT READINGS

The Scripture readings for Lent are particularly rich and a major source of help in living a good Lent. Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest, Scripture scholar, and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, has prepared commentaries on all the readings in the Liturgy of the Word at Mass throughout Lent, from Ash Wednesday to Good Friday. The full text of the biblical readings and commentary are accessible from the home page of www.whatgoodnews.org

THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTION: How has Catholicism enriched culture, music and the arts?

Input will be given by Fr David Clemens, parish priest at Our Lady of Compassion, Saffron Walden, today: Sunday 13 March 4.00 – 5.00 pm via Zoom. To join this meeting simply forward a contact email to adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org. For more information go to the website: www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

Held every Wednesday from 10:30am till 12:30pm at St Michael's Church, Main Road, Gidea Park, Romford, RM2 5EL. Cost: £5.

FORTHCOMING BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE EVENTS

Lenten Revision Retreat 2nd - 3rd April, Walsingham House

Sponsored Sleepout 8th - 9th April, 8pm - 8am

Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage 23rd - 30th July 2022

Youth Gather 22nd - 23rd October, Mersea Island

See the noticeboard. Booking for all these events, and all information, online at www.bcys.net/events

VACANCY AT THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD

Exams Officer & Sixth Form Administrator. 5 days (36 hours) per week (Term Time plus 10 days). FTE Salary: £26,959 (inc Outer London Allowance) per annum. Actual Salary: £24,818 (inc. Outer London Allowance) per annum. Please see our website www.uai.org.uk for further details. Closing date for applications 18 March 2022.

VACANCIES AT ST JOHN'S RC SPECIAL SCHOOL

St John's RC Special School, Woodford Bridge is recruiting for the following positions:

SEN Class Teacher | SEN Class Assistants | Finance Assistant | Assistant Caretaker (full time 52 wks).

Previous experience is essential for all roles, for further information please contact the school office on 020-8504 1818 or email office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk stating the role you are interested in. Successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Message from Kate Welcome, Missio Co-ordinator

Many thanks to all of you who have already made donations this year to the vital work of Missio. On behalf of the charity I am always very grateful to receive the contents of your Red Box at ANY time of the year in a brown envelope from the back of the Church.

On 22nd May, in her home town of Lyon, Pauline Jaricot, the founder of the APF (Association for the Propagation of Faith), Missio's forerunner, is to be beatified, which is a stage towards canonisation. Born in 1799, amid the turmoil of the French Revolution, Pauline was a remarkable lay woman who had strong beliefs and a living faith. Her life was filled with intense suffering and she died in poverty and obscurity. However, she came up with the idea of gathering people together in groups of 10, to pray for missionaries and to support the Church in mission areas by contributing a coin each week. She was a firm believer in the power of prayer and small sacrifices. In this she echoes the beliefs of St Teresa of Calcutta who said "do the ordinary little things but with great love". Pauline's initiative grew quickly into an amazing network, now known as Missio which you support by your prayer and contributions.

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

12-13 March		
6.30 pm	1. Kerry Truman 2. Mick Doolan 3. Sue Butcher	Carmelina Fulton
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Wally Barnes 3. Ken Hay	Alison Greene
11.30 am	1. Nicole Osuji 2. Triston Osuji 3. Stephen Doherty	Alexandra Burt-Allen
19-20 March		
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	Liz Carthy
11.30 am	1. Onyema Agbebi 2. Les Hislop 3. Catharine Welcome	Adam Beddoe
26-27 March		
6.30 pm	1. Carol O'Kane 2. Vanessa Thompson 3.	Maria Smith
9.00 am	1. Alex Hinton 2. Pat Pridham 3. Eileen Jonas	Andrew Walker
11.30 am	1. 2. Terence Osuji 3. Nuala Doherty	Barbara Binder
2-3 April		
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. 3.	Liz Lawrence
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. Charles Gallen 3.	Auxilia Rayan
11.30 am	1. Michael Chadwick 2. Shirley Hay 3. Carleen Heath	Margaret Moffat