



Wednesday is the Memorial of St Pius X

WEEKLY EVENTS

COFFEE AFTER MASS

Sundays in the Church Porch after the 9.00 am Mass

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sundays in term-time during the 11.30 am Mass

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Tuesdays : 7.00 pm in the Church Sacristy

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM

Wednesdays at 9.30 am inside the church

CHURCH GARDENING TEAM

Meets Wednesdays at 9.30 am outside the church

4TH COLLIER ROW

SCOUT GROUP

Beaver Scouts

Wednesdays 5 - 6.15 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

Cub Scouts

Wednesdays 6.30 - 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

Scouts

Wednesdays 8.00 - 9.30 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

THURSDAY CLUB

(for senior members of the community)

1.15 - 3.15 pm

in the Parish Centre Hall

The Club is closed throughout August and will re-commence on 5 September

OUR LADY'S

PRAYER GROUP

Thursdays : 7.30 - 9.00 pm at 10 Norman Close

CORPUS CHRISTI PRE-SCHOOL

Corpus Christi Preschool has places available. We take children from 2 -5 years of age. Children are eligible for a funded place the term after their 3rd birthday, we also take children who are eligible for 30hr funding, if you are interested in a place or would like a visit, please ring Anne on 07949-187273.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER PHILIP

for parents of children going into Year 6

In the autumn term, you will be required to apply for a secondary school place for your child for September 2020. If your child is a baptised Catholic and you are intending to apply for one or more Catholic secondary schools, you will be required to obtain a **Certificate of Catholic Practice** from the priest of the church where you normally attend Sunday Mass. If you are intending to ask me for this certificate, it is most important that I know who you and your child are, and that I know that it is your usual custom to attend weekly Sunday Mass (this includes Saturday evening Mass.) Do not assume that, if you slip in discreetly at the back of church during Mass, I will recognise you. If you think I should know who you are but might have forgotten, please remind me! If you have any questions about this process, please do not hesitate to ask me.

STUDY DAY ON THE BOOK OF GENESIS

To open the 'Year of the God who Speaks' Fr Adrian Graffy will lead a study day entitled 'Beginning with Genesis' on Saturday 12 October at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park (RM2 6DH). The day will begin at 10.30 a.m. with the formal opening of the Year by Bishop Alan Williams. This will be followed by the launch of our evangelisation website. Coffee will be available from 10 a.m. Please bring your own lunch. The study day will end at 3 p.m. Admission is free but please make your booking by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com Plentiful parking space at the church, and easy access to Gidea Park by train and bus.

BCYS YOUTH GATHER ~ Mersea Island 26th-27th October (half term weekend)

The Youth Gather is for anyone is school year 9-13, and includes a mix of inspiring speakers, reflection and prayer, together with outward bound activities like zip wires, high ropes and climbing walls. The cost of £50 includes coach from Stratford, Romford, Basildon, Brentwood, Chelmsford or Southend, as well as all meals and activities. Full details and online booking at <https://bcys.net/events/youth-gather-2019/>

ADVICE FOR THE ELDERLY IRISH

The Irish Elderly Advice Service located in Forest Gate continues to provide an Advice Service on the first Thursday of every Month. It will re-open on Thursday 6 September at Durning Hall, Earlham Grove, Forest Gate at 10.30am to 2pm.

CALAIS LIGHT

Ever wanted to help the refugees in Calais but unsure how? We run weekend convoys from Brentwood to volunteer with refugee charities there. Never mind the reasons WHY migrants are in Calais - the fact is they're there - without resources, hungry, struggling. We feel strongly that part of our Christian mission is

to support them. Please think about this & volunteer. Next Trips: 22- 24th Nov & 31 Jan-Feb 2. Sign up for a convoy or donate with compassion at www.calaislight.com

ADULT CEILI LESSONS

The 'Adult Ceili' lessons at Campion, Mondays 8 pm - 9 pm, £5 per week, term time only. Come and enjoy a fun class while also getting fit. No experience necessary.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

If you have a child who will be going into Year 3 in September, you may wish to consider enrolling them on the First Holy Communion Preparation Programme. Here's what to do:

- **If your child was baptised here** please telephone the Parish Office to make an appointment with Father Philip, as soon as possible. You do not need a baptism certificate.
- **If your child was baptised somewhere else** and you have a copy of the baptism certificate: please telephone the Parish Office to make an appointment with Father Philip, as soon as possible.
- **If your child was baptised somewhere else** and you do not have a baptism certificate: you will need to contact the parish where the baptism took place to obtain one. Then, when you have received it, telephone the Parish Office to make an appointment with Father Philip.

When you come for your appointment, please bring a **donation of £25** to help cover the costs of the Preparation Programme (cash or cheque payable to "Corpus Christi Catholic Church"). If your child was baptised elsewhere, please also bring the baptism certificate with you.

During your appointment with Father Philip you will be asked to complete the application form.

The closing date for all applications is **Sunday 1 September**.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Bernard of Clairvaux** – a founder of the great Cistercian order of monks. His writings include important passages about Our Lady. It may have been St Bernard who wrote the *Memorare* and the hymns *Jerusalem the golden* and *Daily, daily, sing to Mary*.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of St Pius X** – pope at the beginning of the twentieth century; faced with many issues that he felt were threatening the Church, he was led to publish the encyclical *Lamentabili* – a condemnation of Modernism. He is also credited with an attempt to stem the huge numbers lapsing from the Faith. He encouraged frequent reception of Holy Communion and, in 1907, allowed First Holy Communion before Confirmation (changing what had been the custom and practice for nineteen centuries). Sadly, in much of the world, his experiment has not been successful. His sincere hope had been that all children would want to continue to receive the Lord in the Eucharist; for the vast majority they (or their families) do not. Pius also insisted on the importance of priests celebrating the 'proper' Sunday Mass (until then they could say any Mass – many simply memorised a favourite Mass and celebrated it week in, week out). So he was responsible for restoring 'Ordinary Time' with its readings and prayers; in art he is often depicted wearing green (Ordinary Time) vestments, giving Communion to a small child.

Thursday is the **Memorial of the Queenship of Mary** – in the old calendar, the octave day of the Assumption, which we celebrated last week. Today we honour Mary, assumed into heavenly glory and crowned as Queen of Heaven. Blessed Paul VI said: 'Seated beside the King of ages, Mary shines forth as Queen and intercedes as Mother'.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Rose of Lima** - the first canonised saint from the New World. Her life in Peru followed the pattern of so many good women before her: penance and prayer, combined with practical help for the poor and sick. She died in 1617.



When you enter this church it may be possible that you hear "the call of God".

However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your mobile.

Thank you for turning off your phones.

If you want to talk to God ... enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him.

If you want to see Him ... send Him a text while driving.

Translated from a poster found in a church in France