



Tuesday is the Memorial of St Ignatius of Loyola

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

"DEO GRATIAS"

PRAYER GROUP

Monday mornings : 10.30 am at 15 Burland Road

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 at 4.45 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

Cub Scouts

Wednesdays at 6.00 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

Scouts

Wednesdays at 7.45 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

THURSDAY CLUB

1.15 - 3.15 pm

in the Parish Centre Hall

OUR LADY'S

PRAYER GROUP

Thursdays : 7.30 – 9.00 pm at 10 Norman Close

BABY & TODDLER GROUP

(for parents and toddlers)

Fridays : 1.00 – 2.30 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Patrik Portik Hegyi into the family of the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism; may he and his family grow in the knowledge and love of God within our community of faith.

YOUR OFFERINGS

Last weekend the Parish Offerings amounted to £786.46 (£372.10 of this was gift-aided). As always, we thank you for your generous and continued giving.

SUMMER LOURDES 2018 – the "virtual pilgrimage"

From Tuesday 24th to Saturday 29th July the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service (BCYS) will present short online videos allowing you to catch the flavour of the Diocesan pilgrimage, led by Bishop Alan. The homily from each Mass, interviews with pilgrims from all ages, and clips to help you pray and reflect will all be available. To find the links, go to www.bcys.net or find BCYS on Twitter, Facebook or Instagram. You can also watch "Lourdes TV" to see Mass at the Grotto (Tuesday 24th, 7.30am UK time); the Torchlight procession (Tuesday 24th, 8.00pm) and the Blessed Sacrament Procession (Wednesday 25th, 4.00pm) as well as Tour de France, starting from Lourdes (Friday 27th, 8am – 11am). The link is www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes

REMEMBERING HIROSHIMA

A Commemoration Service for Light and Peace to remember Hiroshima will be held at St Edward's Catholic Church, Romford at 7pm on Monday 6 August. Everyone is welcome and invited to take part.

CALAIS LIGHT

Ever felt you'd like to help the destitute migrants in Calais but not known where to start? We run regular weekend car convoys from Brentwood Cathedral to chop veg & sort Refugee donations at the amazing Help Refugees UK Warehouse in Calais. Never mind the reasons WHY migrants are in Calais - the fact is they are there now - without resources, hungry, struggling. We feel strongly that part of our Christian mission is to support them one way or another. Please think about this & volunteer with us. Alternatively, donate with compassion at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/calaislight. Next Trip 28th-30th Sept. Sign up to volunteer on our Facebook page 'Calais Light', email us at calaislight@yahoo.com or check out the Brentwood Cathedral Website.

BCYS YOUTH GATHER

20th - 21st October 2018, Essex Outdoors, East Mersea

This event is open to those in school year 9 and above. We are delighted to be back at Essex Outdoors on Mersea Island for our annual Youth Gather, where there is new cabin accommodation and a brilliant range of outward bound activities. We will combine opportunities for climbing high ropes, abseiling, zip wires and much more to keep you challenged and entertained, with guest speakers and workshops which will give you fresh insights into yourself, and your faith, by telling their stories. One of our speakers for this Autumn will be the lively, humorous and engaging speaker Fr Paul Keane, Vice Rector of St Mary's College, Oscott.

The cost includes lunch and dinner on Saturday 20th, breakfast and lunch on Sunday 21st, two Mersea activities, 2 BCYS workshops, and a night in a Mersea log cabin – all of this for

just £50. This price is thanks to National Youth Sunday parish collections, to help us subsidise such opportunities.

Applications for this year's Youth Gather on Mersea Island will open on the evening of 29th July, on our return from Lourdes. You can apply by creating an account at www.bcys.net and applying on the Events page.

FAMILY CEILI NIGHT : Saturday 6th October

at The Campion School. See poster for details.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Ignatius of Loyola** – the founder of the Society of Jesus. The Jesuits helped to heal much of the harm done in Britain and on the Continent by the Reformation and, in addition, took the Faith to new mission-fields – in India, the Far East and South America. Today, we give thanks for God's gift to the Church: our first Jesuit Bishop of Rome, Pope Francis.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of St Alphonsus Liguori** – almost 300 years ago, St Alphonsus founded the Redemptorist Fathers near Naples. He became famous both as a preacher and as a writer, especially on moral theology. He composed a number of hymns, including 'O Bread of heaven' and 'O Mother blest'.

Saturday is the **Memorial of St John Vianney (Curé of Ars)** - the Patron Saint of Parish Priests. Like his Divine Master, St John hated sin, but loved the sinner.

"Not to go to communion is like someone dying of thirst beside a spring"

St John Vianney

INTERESTED IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST POVERTY AND INJUSTICE?

Perhaps you might consider volunteering for CAFOD...

CAFOD's Brentwood office are currently looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help them in their work, **not least in this parish**. If you are interested in helping our parish support CAFOD then please get in touch about this simple and supported role. They also need a volunteer to help children and young people in our local schools learn about global poverty, and inspire them to take action (full training given) in addition to other roles in which you may be interested. If you would like more information or feel that you could help us make that difference then please contact Chris Driscoll on 01277-218730 or email brentwood@cafod.org.uk

VACANCIES FOR CLASS ASSISTANTS at St John's RC Special School, Woodford Bridge

Full time Class Assistants to work with students aged 5-25 with a wide range of special needs. Hours 9.00am to 3.30pm, term time only, experience preferred. Immediate and September starts available. For an application pack please contact the school office on 020-8504 1818 or email office@stjohnsrchool.co.uk Successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced DBS check. www.stjohnsrchool.co.uk

LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT at The Campion School

Scale APTC 2 Spinal Point 13 £18,396 HPW to be agreed, term time only (38 weeks per year).. Application forms can be accessed from the school website and should be submitted with the names of two referees to Mrs C Noddings, PA to the Headmaster at the above address or by e-mail to cnoddings@thecampionschool.org Further detail on the porch noticeboard. Closing date: Friday 3 August 2018.

A DAY OF REFLECTION AND ENRICHMENT FOR READERS

Saturday 20 October at St Thomas of Canterbury, Woodford Green. Readers and prospective Readers – please book this date in your diaries; details to follow.

"We must make an effort to open our heart and mind to welcome the divine reality which comes to encounter us. It is a case of having faith: lack of faith is an obstacle to God's grace. Many people who have been baptized live as though Christ did not exist. They repeat the gestures and the signs of faith but these do not correspond to a true bond with Jesus' person and his Gospel. Each Christian – all of us, each of us – is called to deepen this fundamental belonging, and try to bear witness to it with a consistent conduct in life, always motivated by charity."

Pope Francis, from the *Angelus Address*, St Peter's Square, 8 July 2018