



*Donations of any long-life products are always very welcome and can be left in the church porch. At the moment, the following items are especially needed:*

**Tins, bottles or jars of:** meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, custard, jam, honey, marmalade, cooking oil, long-life milk and fruit juice (including low sugar).

**Bags or boxes of:** flour, sugar, cereal, biscuits, tea bags.

**Items for personal hygiene & cleaning products:** deodorant, shower gel, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, washing up liquid, clothes detergent (liquid or similar, not too big).

### OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP

Please come and pray with us! Monday evenings 7.30-9.00 pm at 10 Norman Close, RM5 3EJ. Children over First Communion age also welcome. We pray the rosary together, a chance to learn if you are not familiar with it. We ask Our Lady to guide us in prayer, and she always does! We can be silent too! Bring a friend! Contact Eileen Jonas (07442 173956).

### SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

Every Wednesday 1 – 3 pm at Tweed Community Hall, Tweed Way, Rise Park RM1 4AZ. Donation: £5.

### SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

**The lamp in honour of Our Lady** is given in memory of Luigi Mormile.

**The lamp in honour of Saint Joseph** is given for the intentions of the Birnie family.

*Bookings for 2025 can be made now – the list of dates still available is in the porch, together with the envelopes for donations.*

*Please remember in your prayers*

**Those who are ill or housebound . . .**

Isabella Ayres, Michael Brennan, Jackie Burr, Lesley Carroll, Tom Coddington, Pat and Janet Defreitas, Brenda Duke, Gloria Jackson, Joseph Kelly, Maureen Mongan, Helen Murray, Jim Peters, Sue Read, Stephen Smithers, June and Sue Spelling, Mary Treston, Kate Welcome and Yvonne Wilson.

**Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .**

**6-12 July:** Mark Barron, Harry Griffin, Joan Prior, Hannah (Ann) Jones, Dolly Ling, Jane (Jenny) O'Sullivan, Dick Crowley, Maureen Ruxton, May Martin, Des Bolton, Norah Barwell, Eddie Healy and Bernadette Fahy.



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 6 July : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 7 July : 9.00 am Ed & Margaret Corcoran RIP (Pye)  
11.30 am Norman Barnard RIP (Mary)

Monday 8 July : 9.15 am Dave O'Dwyer int (Borg)

Tuesday 9 July : 9.15 am Father Martin Nott RIP (PACT Brentwood)

Wednesday 10 July : 9.15 am In Thanksgiving (Vettath)

Thursday 11 July : 9.15 am Frank Broderick RIP (Hardy)

Friday 12 July : 9.15 am Josephine Walsh RIP (Borg)

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 13 July : 6.30 pm Sammon family int (Conneely)

Sunday 14 July : 9.00 am Nora Appleby RIP

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

# Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6-7 July 2024



**THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**  
Daily until 6.00 pm

### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday : 6.30 pm, Sunday : 9.00 am and 11.30 am

### WEEKDAY MASSES

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](http://www.corpuschristicollierrow.org)

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We keep in our prayers the children who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. May it be the beginning of a life centred on the Eucharist.

### PARISH OFFERINGS AND PETER'S PENCE

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £808.98 (£384.00 of this was gift aided). The Peter's Pence collection raised £282.53 (£238.58 was gift-aided). Thank you for your continuing support for the life and ministry of our church and its community.

### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

The annual collection which supports the work of Stella Maris, the port chaplaincies around the country.

### MISSIO RED BOX HOLDERS

**Emptying Red Boxes:** we can be fairly flexible about when this is done. This time of year, the half-way point, might be a time to take an envelope (they are in the porch), empty your box and return the contents in the next week or two. Thank you to those who have already brought in their envelopes. The middle of December is the final emptying – ready for the year end Parish Totals. You can always empty your box at any time – especially if it is full!

**"Mission Today"** the summer edition is available in the porch – please take a copy. There are spares for anyone who is interested in finding out about the impact Missio is making in the wider Church.

### PARKING FOR WEEKDAY MASS : Monday to Friday

Please remember that, during term-time, the church car park is closed to vehicles until 8.50 am. Before this time, the children assemble here before going into school; it is important that they can do so in safety, without the risk of being injured by people parking their cars.

### MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

This weekend we hear the motet *Libera nos* by the English composer John Sheppard (c1515-1558)

*Libera nos, salva nos, justifica nos, O beata trinitas. Free us, save us, defend us, O blessed Trinity.*

### ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP

The St John Bosco Children's Camp is now open for bookings! Children age 9 – 12 can enjoy an amazing week, packed with fun activities, including many sports, from 27th July – 3rd August. The Camp is a special work of Caritas Diocese of Brentwood and this year there is space for just 100 children – book early! All details are [www.boscocamp.co.uk](http://www.boscocamp.co.uk), including booking information and an FAQ section for parents.

#### THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Augustine Zhao Rong and his Companions, martyrs** – from Wuchuan in Guizhou, China. He was a warden of a prison in which Christians were being held and was converted by their example. In 1781 he was ordained and went to do missionary work in western Sichuan. He was arrested in 1815 and, being already ill, died in prison after torture.

Thursday is the **European Feast of St Benedict, abbot and patron of Europe** – from the great monastery of Monte Cassino, which Benedict founded around the year 529, came the 'Rule of Benedict'. In one way or another, this Rule has been followed by many thousands of Religious women and men. Pope Paul VI named him Patron of Europe.

#### SUMMER FETE at St John's RC School

Saturday 13 July : 12pm to 4pm. Please join us for all-inclusive fun for the family. Races for all to enjoy, as well as side stalls, BBQ, cream teas, cakes, tombola and much more. St. John's R.C. School, Turpins Lane, Woodford Bridge, IG8 8AX [www.stjohnsrscschool.co.uk](http://www.stjohnsrscschool.co.uk)

#### VACANCY FOR A HIGHER LEVEL TEACHING ASSISTANT at The Champion School

Hours: up to 32 hours per week/ 39 weeks per year. Grade: APTC 5 Points 12 – 15. Actual Salary: £23,141 - £24,922 (based on 32 hours per week) p.a pro rata. Contract: Permanent. Start: September 2024. Please apply online via Jobs Go Public (Higher Level Teaching Assistant / Hornchurch) or via our website under - About Us – Work for the Champion School. Please contact [hfielder@thecampionschool.org.uk](mailto:hfielder@thecampionschool.org.uk) if you require further information. Application forms need to be completed by Monday 8th July at 12pm. Interviews will be held that week.

#### WALSINGHAM HOUSE ANNIVERSARY MASS - 31st August at Walsingham House at Abbotswick

Celebrate 40 years of team at Walsingham House with us, beginning with Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan at 12pm followed by celebrations at our beautiful retreat house just outside Brentwood.

#### AFRO-CARIBBEAN SOCIETY

We want to encourage everyone who is of African or Caribbean descent to join; our goal is to showcase our cultures and encourage members to attend Mass and church activities. If you would be interested in joining this new venture, contact: Martha – 07533 340622 or Chi – 07463 247424.

#### JOIN US IN SUPPORTING INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES!

The Catholic Fellowship Disability Network (CFDN) has supported individuals with disabilities and their families across Essex and East London since 1962. We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers of all ages, especially younger people, to bring new ideas and experiences to our charity. Why Volunteer? You will not only make a difference in your community, gain valuable experience and be part of a supportive network, but share your ideas, experience and skills in helping us maintain our charitable legacy. To get involved, please visit: [www.cfdn.org.uk/volunteer](http://www.cfdn.org.uk/volunteer) or contact us at [info@cfdn.org.uk](mailto:info@cfdn.org.uk)

#### OPEN HOUSE BILLERICAY ~ Saturday 12 October

On Saturday 12 October the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Billericay will be hosting a day focusing on parish renewal with talks and workshops designed to help parishes transition from maintenance to mission. Bishop Alan will also be presiding at the Midday Mass. Get inspired by priests and parishioners as they share stories of transformation. Hear what they are learning and dream about the change that could be possible in your own parish. The day will last from 9.30am to 5pm and the cost is £20 per person. In order to attend you need to register in advance by following this link: <https://divinerenovation.org/events/>

### SPIRITUAL AND PASTORAL CARE AT THE QUEEN'S HOSPITAL

If anybody is going into The Queen's Hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit from one of the team, please contact Helen Miranda on 01708 477890. If you want to see a priest for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) or the Sacrament of the Sick, the ward staff should be able to page the Duty Catholic Chaplain to arrange for him to visit you.

#### ENTERTAINMENT AT THE CATHOLIC CLUB

Freddie Mercury Tribute Act ~ Friday 19 July

#### MINISTRY ROTA

The current Rota will be available soon on the parish website – in the 'Rotas' section.

In the meantime, there are paper copies in the Sacristy.

For the time being, the newsletter will only list those ministering this week and next.

Readers & Communion Ministers should come to the Sacristy to sign in.

#### READERS

1 = First Reading and Responsorial Psalm

2 = Second Reading and Gospel Acclamation (at 9.00 am the Acclamation is usually sung by the choir and people).

3 = Universal Prayer

6-7 July		GROUP 6
6.30 pm	1. Mary O'Driscoll 2. Shantay Charles 3. Eileen Collier	Sue Butcher Caroline Rmstead Kulangara Johnson
9.00 am	1. Eileen Jonas 2. 3. Mary Brennan	Peter Hale Wally Barnes Alex Hinton
11.30am	1. Nicole Osuji 2. Michael Chadwick 3. Triston Osuji	Stephen Doherty Margaret Moffat
13-14 July		GROUP 7
6.30 pm	1. Kammalunna Onyekonwu 2. 3.	Maria Smith David Elliott Clare Scott
9.00 am	1. Adekemi Ogunro 2. Pat Pridham 3.	Susana Gracia Andrew Green Liz Carthy
11.30am	1. Debbie Cullis 2. Ify Okoye 3.	Robert Hale Adam Beddoe

Extracts from **Pope Francis**, *Angelus Address*, St Peter's Square, 4 July 2021

This Sunday's Gospel (Mk 6:1-6) tells us about the disbelief of Jesus's fellow villagers. After preaching in other villages in Galilee, Jesus returned to Nazareth where he had grown up with Mary and Joseph; and, one sabbath, he began to teach in the synagogue. Many who were listening asked themselves: "Where does he get all this wisdom? But, isn't he the son of the carpenter and Mary, that is, of our neighbours that we know so well?" (cf. vv. 1-3). Confronted with this reaction, Jesus confirms the truth that had even become a part of popular wisdom: "A prophet is not without honour, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house" (v. 4). We say this many times...

In the end, why didn't Jesus's fellow villagers recognise and believe in Him? But why? What is the reason? In a few words, we can say that they did not accept the scandal of the Incarnation. They did not know this mystery of the Incarnation, but they did not accept the mystery: they did not know it. They did not know the reason and they thought it was scandalous that the immensity of God should be revealed in the smallness of our flesh, that the Son of God should be the son of a carpenter, that the divine should be hidden in the human, that God should inhabit a face, the words, the gestures of a simple man. This is the scandal: the incarnation of God, his concreteness, his 'daily life'. And God became concrete in a man, Jesus of Nazareth, he became a companion on the way, he made himself one of us. "You are one of us", we can say to Jesus. What a beautiful prayer! It is because one of us understands us, accompanies us, forgives us, loves us so much. In reality, an abstract, distant god is more comfortable, one that doesn't get himself involved in situations and who accepts a faith that is far from life, from problems, from society. Or we would even like to believe in a 'special effects' god who does only exceptional things and always provokes strong emotions. Instead, brothers and sisters, God incarnated Himself: God is humble, God is tender, God is hidden, he draws near to us, living the normality of our daily life.