



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).

Donations of **children's toys and clean clothing** (adults and children) are also required – these would need to be taken in person to the Foodbank at The Ascension Church Hall, Collier Row Road on Friday mornings. Please do not leave them in the church porch here.

CAFOD CHRISTMAS WORLD GIFTS

Do take a copy of CAFOD's World Gifts catalogue – alternative Christmas ideas that capture the true spirit of Christmas giving and will help change, or even transform the lives of people in the developing world or in places experiencing crisis.

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The light in honour of Our Lady is in memory of Timothy O'Driscoll.

The light in honour of Saint Joseph is in memory of Sarah O'Driscoll.

Thanks to generous donors, the lights at the Shrines of Our Lady and St Joseph are being maintained throughout 2023. Dates available in 2024 can be found on a list in the porch.

Please remember in your prayers

Those who are ill . . .

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

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

4-10 Nov: Vincent Keaney, Compton Glasgow, James Curtis, Jim Culff, John Kemzura, Charles Field, Doreen Doyle, Moira Kelly, Eileen Godden, Sheila Browne, Geraldine O'Shea and Mary Donnelly.



MASS INTENTIONS

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 4 Nov : 6.30 pm Sarah O'Driscoll RIP (O'Driscoll)

Sunday 5 Nov : 9.00 am In Thanksgiving (Akpey)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Monday 6 Nov : 9.15 am Fred O'Regan RIP (Murray)

Tuesday 7 Nov : 9.15 am Kate Welcome int (O'Driscoll)

Wednesday 8 Nov : 9.15 am Dominic Capps RIP (Church Cleaning Team)

Thursday 9 Nov : 9.15 am Timothy O'Driscoll RIP (O'Driscoll family)

Friday 10 Nov : 9.15 am Fran & Jack Sherlock RIP (Pridham)

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 11 Nov : 6.30 pm In Thanksgiving (Nkem Onyike & family)

Sunday 12 Nov : 9.00 am Eileen Jonas int (O'Driscoll)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

to contact Church House:

☎ 01708-749050 ✉ collierrow@brcdt.org

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

4-5 November 2023



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

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

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November is the month when we especially remember our dead and their influence on us, the living. We also pray for them and offer Masses for the repose of their souls in the eternal life of God. Our custom here, for many years, is to leave the names of our loved ones before the altar throughout the month. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the porch; please place them in the offertory baskets, put them through the letter box at Church House or hand them in to the sacristy. Any offerings you make will help to provide Masses for the Holy Souls, celebrated during November and throughout the year.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Ezra Carvalho and Olivia Shepherd into the family of the Church; we pray that they and their families will grow in the knowledge and love of God within our community of faith.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £790.82 (£390.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your continued support and contributions to our parish.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY during Sunday Mass at 11.30 am

The Children's Liturgy of the Word, which takes place during the Mass at 11.30 am, has had to be suspended. We urgently need volunteers to train as catechists to lead this Liturgy, which is primarily for children who are at school but have not yet received their First Holy Communion. After many years' service, the existing team are stepping down as they have other family priorities. They will be available to train and support any who feel they could take on this responsibility. Please contact Catherine on 07980 808317 or Father Philip if you are able to help.

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.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Willibrord** – born in about 658 in the Kingdom of Northumbria, he was an Anglo-Saxon missionary, known as the "Apostle to the Frisians" in the modern Netherlands. He became the first bishop of Utrecht and died in 739 at Echternach, Luxembourg.

Thursday is the **Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica** – this ancient church, dedicated to St John the Baptist and St John the Evangelist, is the cathedral church of the Pope as Bishop of Rome. We give thanks for the building itself, which has stood as a witness to the Faith throughout the Christian centuries, and for the Holy See, focus of the unity of the Church, gathered around and in communion with, our Holy Father, Pope Francis.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Leo the Great** – in the face of heresy, this Pope was a champion of the doctrine that Jesus is both God and Man. He died in 461.

MEMORIAL MASS at Walsingham House at Abbotswick

The Friends of Abbotswick Memorial Mass for those with loved ones remembered within the grounds at Abbotswick will be held at 3pm on Sunday 12th November. If you wish to attend please email Claire at clairebailey@brcdt.org or phone 01277 373959.

PRIMARY SCHOOL LINK ADVISER OPPORTUNITY

The Diocese of Brentwood is seeking to appoint a Primary School Link Adviser who is a practising Catholic, to support the Diocesan Board of Education and its family of schools. This is likely to be a part-time post of either 3 or 4 days a week, however, consideration will also be given to applicants who are seeking a full-time or secondment opportunity. The Primary Link Adviser will report to the Diocesan Director of Education and Deputy Director. It is expected that applicants will have an established and successful track record as a head teacher, a senior leader in a primary school or have recent, relevant advisory/consultancy experience. Further details and an application form can be obtained via the following link: Primary Link Adviser – Brentwood Diocesan Education Service or by emailing: victoriabarnes@brcdt.org

CHILD AND FAMILY COUNSELLING SERVICE

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) offers therapeutic support directly to children, young people, families and parents through their Child and Family Counselling Service (CFCS) located in their centre in Billericay. Their CFCS team consists of several experienced and highly qualified therapists working in specially adapted therapy rooms. Families can contact BCCS directly by emailing Donna Booth dbooth@bccs.org.uk who will outline the type of support that will be provided for them or their child. There is a charge for this service, but they urge any families needing support to contact them. More information is available on their website: www.bccs.org.uk

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.

WALSINGHAM HOUSE VOLUNTEER RETREAT TEAM

Applications for the Walsingham House at Abbotswick volunteer retreat team are now open. If you are aged between 18-23 and are considering a Gap Year then please consider the Walsingham House Team. The volunteer teamwork with around 5000 young people from across the diocese running retreats for Yr5-Yr13 students. For more information please see our website: <https://bcys.net/whabbotswick/be-on-team/> or email clairebailey@brcdt.org

ST JOHN'S RC SPECIAL SCHOOL, WOODFORD BRIDGE

is recruiting full time Learning Support 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. Salary range from £17,372.62 (FTE £23,067). We are also seeking experienced Speech & Language Therapists. For an application pack please email office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk or call 020 8504 1818, successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced DBS check www.stjohnsrcschool.co.uk

VACANCIES AT THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD

School Administrator: Start: as soon as possible. Closing Date: noon, Friday 17 November 2023.

Invigilator: Start: as soon as possible. Closing Date: noon, Friday 17 November 2023.

For further information please visit: [//uai.org.uk/vacancies](http://uai.org.uk/vacancies)

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

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

MINISTRY ROTA

On the current rota, you will be in two groups, reading or ministering once every four weeks.

The Rota is available on the parish website – in the 'Rotas' section.

There are paper copies in the Sacristy.

As usual, 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 (at 9.00 am the Acclamation is usually sung by the choir and people).

3 = Universal Prayer

4-5 November		GROUP 3
6.30 pm	1. 2. Kammalunna Onyekonwu 3.	Clare Scott David Elliott Maria Smith
9.00 am	1. Adekemi Ogunro 2. Pat Pridham 3. Maria Green	Catherine Welcome Susana Gracia Liz Carthy
11.30am	1. Debbie Cullis 2. Ify Okoye 3.	Adam Beddoe
11-12 November		GROUP 4
6.30 pm	1. Hanyeolisa Onyekonwu 2. Lili Gargiulo Thomas 3. Mick Doolan	Jean Capps Kim Ayling Liz Lawrence
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Diane McCarthy 3.	Alison Greene Kim Pritchard Auxilia Rayan
11.30am	1. Oluwajuwon Emmanuel 2. Terence Osuji 3. Nuala Doherty	Onyema Agbebi Alexandra Burt-Allen
18-19 November		GROUP 5
6.30 pm	1. Frank Smith 2. Margaret Smith 3.	Ngozi Obiakonwu Donna Hector Dylan Scott
9.00 am	1. 2. 3.	Olivia Paton Noel Foley Jacklin De Lima
11.30am	1. Carleen Heath 2. Shirley Hay 3.	Barbara Binder Louise Seaton
25-26 November		GROUP 6
6.30 pm	1. Eileen Collier 2. Mary O'Driscoll 3. Shantay Charles	Kulangara Johnson Sue Butcher Caroline Ramstead
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. 3. Eileen Jonas	Alex Hinton Peter Hale Wally Barnes
11.30am	1. Triston Osuji 2. Nicole Osuji 3. Michael Chadwick	Margaret Moffat Stephen Doherty

Pope Francis, from the *Angelus Address*, St Peter's Square, Wednesday 1 November 2023

(The saints) are our elder brothers and our sisters, on whom we can always count: the saints support us and, when we take a wrong turn along the way, with their silent presence they never fail to correct us; they are sincere friends, whom we can trust, because they desire our wellbeing. In their lives we find an example, in their prayers we receive help and friendship, and with them we are bound in a bond of brotherly love.