

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 for Elizabeth.

The lamp in honour of Saint Joseph is given in memory of Patrick Morrissey.

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



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).

Please remember in your prayers

Those who are ill or housebound . . .

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

Those who have died recently . . .

Vonnie Myers died on Monday 12 August; her Requiem Mass is here on Tuesday 3 September at 11.30 am followed by burial at Upminster Cemetery.

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

31 Aug-6 Sept: Alice Ragan, Teresa Parker, Bob Wells, Tom Connolly, Bridget Overson, George Scott, Joyce Brennan, Patrick (Patsy) Allen, Roy Collis and Rose Sheridan.



MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 31 Aug : 6.30 pm Bill & Alice Ragan RIP (Farraud)

Sunday 1 Sept : 9.00 am Alexandra Burt Allen int (Jonas)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Monday 2 Sept : 9.15 am Emmanuela Giordmaina RIP (Borg)

Tuesday 3 Sept : 9.15 am David Difford RIP (Chadwick)

11.30 am Requiem Mass for Vonnie Myers

Wednesday 4 Sept : 9.15 am Joyce Gehnich RIP (Czermak)

Thursday 5 Sept : 9.15 am All children starting the new school year (Vettath)

Friday 6 Sept : 9.15 am Josephine Walsh RIP (Borg)

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 7 Sept : 6.30 pm Rose Sheridan RIP (Tom)

Sunday 8 Sept : 9.00 am Kay Cole RIP (Kevin)

11.30 am Thanksgiving (Fernandes)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

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Father Philip Denton

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

31 Aug-1 Sept 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

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £952.71 (£623.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your continuing support for the life and ministry of our church and its community.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Joshua and Joel Oloyede into the family of the Church and pray that they and their family will grow in the knowledge and love of God.

PARKING FOR WEEKDAY MASS

Our school re-opens this week, following the summer holidays, so a reminder that the car park is not available for vehicles until 8.50 am – by which time the children should all be safely in school. There are always some that are dropped off by their parents at the last minute (or after the last minute) so please take care when driving onto the site.

MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

A setting of the antiphon *O bone Jesu* – by the Italian composer Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c1525-1594).

O bone Jesu, exaudi me, et ne permittas me separari a te, ab hoste maligno defende me, in hora mortis meae voca me, et pone me iuxta te, ut cum Angelis et Sanctis tuis laudem te, Dominum, in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

O blessed Jesus, hear thou my prayer, and never suffer me to be parted from you, from the snare of the wicked defend me, and at the hour of dying call to me, and set me close to your throne, that with the Angels and the Saints I may praise you, Lord, for ever and ever. Amen.

READERS AND EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The current rota runs out in the next couple of weeks, so this is a good time to check that everyone is happy to remain on the rota, for the Masses they have been assigned to or chosen. If you would like to change to a different Mass or need to come off the rota due to a change in your circumstances, please let John know – either speak to him or Fr Philip or send an email to the parish. Similarly, if you would like to join the rota – please have a word with one of us; there are a number of vacancies!

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On Sunday 29 September after morning Masses to raise money for Cancer Research; there will be tea, coffee and cakes. There will also be a table-top sale. Help to run this event would be very welcome as would donations for the sale and raffle prizes (contact Jean on 07591 655635).

VACANCY FOR A PARISH PARTNERSHIP YOUTH COORDINATOR

Inspire, nurture and accompany young people on the edge of East London. The parishes in the North Havering Parish Partnership (the parishes of Romford, Collier Row, Gidea Park and the two in Harold Hill) are recruiting a Parish Partnership Youth Coordinator. Salary £30,000/year, closing date 10 September 2024, start date no later than January 2025. This is a new role, with amazing potential to bring young people into leadership in the Church and provide a wide range of opportunities for them to live and deepen their faith within a diverse and vibrant part of London. For full details go to: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us/>

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Tuesday is the **National Feast of St Gregory the Great, pope and teacher of the faith** – a truly outstanding leader of the Church. It is said that he was captivated by the sight of a group of blond-haired people from England, on sale in the slave market. When told that they were Angles, he is supposed to have remarked: 'They are not Angles, but Angels'. In 596 he sent Augustine and forty Benedictine monks to convert these English people – Augustine becoming the first Archbishop of Canterbury. A pioneer of liturgical reform, the style of singing known as Gregorian Chant is named after him (though it was written many centuries after he died).

Wednesday is the **National Memorial of St Cuthbert, monk and bishop** – a monk at Melrose and at Ripon; following the Synod of Whitby, he was asked to go as Prior to Lindisfarne under its new Benedictine Rule. In 685 he was ordained abbot-bishop. He died in 687 and his tomb became a popular pilgrimage shrine. In the ninth century, Viking raids led to an end of monastic life at Lindisfarne and in 875 his shrine was transported across the north until it reached Durham in 995. There the shrine became one of the most frequented in medieval Europe. At the Reformation his shrine was destroyed and his body re-buried on the same site, where it remains to this day.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Come along to find comfort, support and understanding at our welcoming and informal bereavement support group. Sheila Delander and Liz Hill will lead the group. We invite you to join us as we navigate through grief together. Our next meeting will be held Wednesday 4 September at 2pm in St. Anthony's Hall at the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill. There will be subsequent meetings scheduled for the 1st Wednesday of every month. All are welcome. Tea/Coffee and Cake will be provided.

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.

OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP

Please come and pray with us! Monday evenings (except Public Holidays) 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).

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 or contact us at info@cfdn.org.uk

Pope Francis, Summary of the *General Audience*, St Peter's Square last Wednesday (28 August)

Dear brothers and sisters, I invite you to join me in thinking of and praying for our brothers and sisters who even now seek to escape war, violence, persecution and disasters and set out in search of a land where they can live in peace and security. Many of these migrants, including young children, suffer greatly and die along the way. Most of these tragedies could be prevented. The teaching of Scripture is clear: God especially loves his children who are poor and in need, and we are called to help and defend them. Rather than more restrictive laws and the militarisation of borders, *what is needed is an expansion of secure and regular means of access*, and a global governance of migrations based on justice, fraternity and solidarity. May we not turn a blind eye to these brothers and sisters, support those who seek to assist them and, above all, pray fervently for just solutions to this grave humanitarian crisis.

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.

BBQ AND MASS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

at Our Lady Immaculate, Chelmsford, Sunday 8 September

If you are 18+, having left school, from 1st September then you are very welcome to join a group of young adults for a BBQ from 3pm with Mass at 7pm, at Our Lady Immaculate Church in Chelmsford. No need to book, simply come along to meet other young adult Catholics and find out more about upcoming events just for you!

YOUTH GATHER at Essex Outdoors, East Mersea, 26 – 27 October

For anyone in year 9 and above, join us for a weekend of speakers, workshops, prayer and more, alongside the opportunity to try high ropes, archery or climbing at the amazing Essex Outdoors in East Mersea. Applications are now open and you can apply and find all information at www.bcys.net/events/youth-gather-2024/

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/>

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

31 Aug-1 Sept		GROUP 5
6.30 pm	1. Eileen Collier 2. Mary O'Driscoll 3. Shantay Charles	Caroline Ramstead Kulangara Johnson Sue Butcher
9.00 am	1. Mary Brennan 2. 3. Eileen Jonas	Wally Barnes Alex Hinton Peter Hale
11.30am	1. Michael Chadwick 2. Triston Osuji 3. Nicole Osuji	Margaret Moffat Stephen Doherty
7-8 Sept		GROUP 6
6.30 pm	1. Kammalunna Onyekonwu 2. 3.	David Elliott Clare Scott Maria Smith
9.00 am	1. Pat Pridham 2. Adekemi Ogunro 3.	Andrew Green Liz Carthy Susana Gracia
11.30am	1. Ify Okoye 2. Debbie Cullis 3.	Robert Hale Adam Beddoe