

Friday is the Memorial of St John XXIII

# **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 Begger 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 the over 60s – open to all) 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

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Ranell Spencer Lubin-Destouche into the Church. We pray for him and his family – may they grow in the knowledge and love of God within our faith community.

# HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ST PATRICK'S

Next Friday our school is celebrating Harvest Festival. Once again the children are collecting various items for the Collier Row Foodbank. If you would like to contribute to their collection, there is a box in the church porch – your donations can be left at any time during the week. The Foodbank could do with the following:

Tinned fish • Jars pasta sauce • Long life milk • Tinned spaghetti Tinned custard • Tinned fruit • Long life fruit juice • Biscuits • Instant Coffee • Tomato ketchup • Sponge puddings • Jam • Crisps/chocolate

### YOUR OFFERINGS

Last weekend the parish offerings amounted to £925.35 (of which £401.50 was gift aided). Thank you for your generous and continued giving.

# ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL FOUNDATION INTAKE OPEN DAYS for September 2020

These tours will give you the opportunity to see the school and ask any questions you may have:-

Wednesday 9th October at 11.00 am Monday 14th October at 2.00 pm Thursday 17th October at 6.00 pm Friday 1st November at 11.00 am Friday 1st November at 2.00 pm

### SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

# A message from Father Philip for parents of children in Year 6

If your child is a baptised Catholic and you are intending to apply to Catholic secondary schools for September 2020, you will be required to obtain a **Certificate of Catholic Practice** from the priest of the church where you normally attend Sunday Mass.

In order for me to be able to issue a certificate, I must be satisfied that you are a committed parishioner and it is your usual practice to attend Sunday (or Saturday evening) Mass here. As soon as you have an idea of the schools you will be applying to, please telephone the Parish Office for an appointment with me. If your child was baptised in another parish, you will need to bring with you a copy of the baptism certificate.

### **OUR EXTRAORDINARY MONTH OF MISSION**

Pope Francis has declared that October 2019 will be an Extraordinary Month of Mission. Prayer and action will be the focus to strengthen and grow God's Mission and our Church. This is part of a worldwide network; every Parish and school, large and small, rich or poor is asked to become involved. The aims of this special month will be:

- •To encourage Catholics into a deeper relationship with Jesus through prayer.
- •To look to, and learn from, the actions of our Saints and Martyrs.
- •To support home and overseas mission in our prayers and financially (20th October is World Mission Sunday).
- •To foster in our families, friends and contacts, by our words, values and the choices we make in our way of living, a real interest in the Christian faith and all that this means.

There are copies of a special edition of the Missio magazine at the back of the Church for Red Box holders and anyone else interested in our role in continuing the work of mission started by Jesus Christ

when he was on earth. Perhaps Red Box holders may wish to choose October as the time to empty their box but obviously your contributions are very welcome at any time convenient to you. Thank you. *Kate Welcome*: Parish Missio Representative

### MUSIC AND MIRTH CHARITY EVENING

The Collier Row Catholic Club have a Music and Mirth Charity Evening in aid of the Stroke Association and the Water Rats on Friday 11 October at 8.00 pm. With Duncan Norvelle, Maggie Regan and the London Philharmonic Skiffle Orchestra. Tickets £12 available from the Club Bar (open daily).

### "BE INSPIRED" ON THURSDAY

"The environment is God's gift to everyone, and in our use of it we have a responsibility towards the poor, towards future generations and towards humanity as a whole" - Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Caritas in Veritate. Do you have questions about climate change and the proper Catholic response to this ethical issue? Do you want to reflect on practical ways that you as an individual and a parish community can live in ways that better care for our common home? The "Be Inspired" event at Brentwood Cathedral on Thursday 10 October at 7.30 pm in the Cathedral parish hall is an opportunity to think more deeply about these issues. Four expert speakers will reflect on one of the most important ethical issues of our age. All are welcome. For more information go to http://www.cathedral-brentwood.org/blog-2/lia-inspired/

# YEAR OF THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

Bishop Alan Williams will open the 'Year of the God who Speaks', which is promoted by the Bishops of England and Wales, at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Brentwood Road, Gidea Park (RM2 6DH) at 10.30 on Saturday 12 October. For information about the Year visit www.cbcew.org.uk/ Fr Adrian Graffy will give two talks entitled 'Beginning with Genesis', which will provide a fresh reading of the opening chapters of the Book of Genesis. The day will conclude at 3 p.m. Admission is free, but please book by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com or by phone to 01708 449914. During the day there will be the chance to buy copies of the newly-published 'Revised New Jerusalem Bible' at the discounted price of £30 (RRP £39.99). Refreshments will be available but please bring your own packed lunch.

### LECTURE AT CATHEDRAL HOUSE

The Canonisation of Blessed (Cardinal) John Henry Newman takes place in Rome on Sunday 13 October. To mark this historic occasion Father Stewart Foster (Diocesan Archivist & Historian) will give a lecture entitled 'St John Henry Newman: His Life and Times' on Thursday 17 October at 7.30pm in the Conference Centre, Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT. All are welcome.

### THE CAMPION SCHOOL CHARITY BALL

A Dinner Dance in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust, Motor Neurone Disease Association, CRY and UK Sepsis Trust will be held on Saturday 19 October at The Campion School, Hornchurch in the Main Hall. 6.30 pm for Bucks Fizz Reception. DJ and Entertainment throughout the evening. 3 Course Dinner. Tickets £35. Dress Code: Black Tie or Lounge Suit. Bar Closes at 11.30 pm. Carriages at midnight please! Tickets can be ordered by contacting ptucker@thecampionschool.org

### **TEA DANCE**

The next Tea Dance is on 26 October from  $1.30-4.30 \,\mathrm{pm}$  at St Albans Parish Hall, Langdale Gardens, RM12 5LB. Dancing to the very popular by John McHugh on tour from Ireland, playing music to suit all tastes. Refreshments will be available. Admissions £5.00, all proceeds to parish funds. Hope to see you there, if you have been before and enjoyed it please tell your friends and neighbours about it everyone welcome. For further information, please contact John O'Connor on 07903-366992.

VACANCY: BUILDINGS DEVELOPMENT OFFICER – Brentwood Diocesan Education Service Salary: £45.000 - £60.000. Closing date: Friday 11 October 2019, Details on porch noticeboard.

# VACANCY: DEPUTY HEADTEACHER - The Palmer Catholic Academy

Closing date for completed applications: 12 noon on Tuesday 15 October 2019. Details on the noticeboard.

### **LONDON MARATHON 2020**

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has a number of Gold Bond Charity places for runners in the LONDON MARATHON taking place on Sunday 19 April 2020. If you are an experienced runner or someone who would value the opportunity to participate in this renowned event please contact Libby Phillips for further details on 01268-784544 or lphillips@bccs.org.uk The closing date for completed applications is Friday 15 November. Please note that there is a minimum sponsorship requirement of £1600 (excluding Gift Aid). If you have been lucky enough to secure your own running place through the ballot, we would invite you to join us and run for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. The London Marathon is a unique opportunity to raise much needed funds for the Diocesan Children's Society and perhaps achieve a lifetime ambition at the same time.