

Friday is the Feast of St Andrew

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 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

APPLICATIONS TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Parents who wish to apply for places in Catholic schools will need to obtain a "Certificate of Catholic Practice" from the parish priest of the place at which they attend Sunday Mass. The Certificate is evidence that a family practises the Catholic Faith — which includes attendance at Sunday Mass for the past five years (on Saturday evening or Sunday). This is a requirement throughout England & Wales. You will need an appointment with Father Philip to discuss whether such a Certificate can be issued. To arrange this, please telephone the Parish Office.

TALKS ON THE FAITH

Our programme of sessions for anyone interested in exploring the Catholic Faith continues on Sunday 16 December: 4.30 – 5.30 pm in Church House. The topic: *The Christmas Stories*.

ADVENT LITURGY OF FORGIVENESS

Our community celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, in preparation for Christmas, takes place on Tuesday 18 December at 7.30 pm.

WALSINGHAM HOUSE AT ABBOTSWICK

Service to Commemorate Loved Ones in the Month of November

Those with relatives and friends commemorated at Abbotswick are warmly invited to a service of prayer on Thursday 29 November at 6.00pm. The names of those remembered here will be read out during the service, which will include hymns and scripture readings and will be followed by tea and cakes. Please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or call 01277-373959 if you have any questions; otherwise, simply turn up on the evening.

SERVICE OF LIGHT

Inauguration of Advent in Brentwood Cathedral at 4.00 pm on Sunday 2 December. This beautiful service includes the solemn lighting of the Advent wreath, profound readings and music led by the Cathedral choir. It is a special way to prepare for the real meaning of Christmas and all are welcome. Main celebrant: Bishop Alan Williams sm.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Children and families are now able to access direct therapeutic support in one of our clinics. Sessions take place after school or at an evening clinic at our counselling suites in Rayleigh. Our highly experienced counsellors provide support directly to the whole family or to children and adolescents on a 1:1 basis. If you are concerned that your child may need someone to talk to, please contact Catherine on cmunns@bccs.org.uk. There is a sessional charge, so please enquire.

COMPANY SPONSORSHIP FOR OUR YOUTH SERVICE?

In 2019 the BCYS will take 35 young people to Costa Rica and Panama for World Youth Day with Pope Francis, and 250 young people to Lourdes to serve the ill and elderly. Each young person will have polo shirts and hoodies, and will be in lots of photos and videos — would you consider your company name and logo on the front, back and/or sleeves of each shirt and hoodie, as well as on posters and our website throughout the year? Corporate sponsorship will help young people in financial need to come to such events, and support Youth Ministry across the Diocese. If you own a company, and can help, please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or phone Fr Dominic on 01277-373959. Thank you.

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. If you can't, please donate with compassion so we can keep helping them at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/calaislight. Next Trip 30th November-2nd December. Sign up to volunteer or donate on our Facebook page 'Calais Light', or on our website calaislight.com or email us at calaislight@yahoo.com or check out the Brentwood Cathedral Website.

BURSARIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Do you have children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews aged between 16 and 24 who are planning to do some good works to help others? Perhaps spending time in their holidays in a third world country helping others or accompanying a HCPT Pilgrimage to Lourdes. If so, the Catenian Association Bursary Fund may be able to give a grant. Details at www.thecatenians.com/bursary

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

On Wednesdays 23rd and 30th January at 7 pm Fr Adrian Graffy will lead an exploration of the Gospel of Luke, the gospel being read on Sundays in 2019. These 'Gidea Park Faith Evenings' will take place in the hall at Gidea Park Catholic Church (410 Brentwood Road, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH). Please book by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com Refreshments provided. Admission free.

AUTUMN SPIRITUALITY TALK

Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT: 10.30 am to12.00 noon Saturday 1 December: "Advent Spirituality" - Bishop Alan Williams sm For further details contact: jude @dioceseofbrentwood.org Tel. 01277- 265285

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Wednesday is the **Feast of St Andrew** - it was Andrew who introduced his brother Simon (Peter) to the Lord. Eventually, with James and John, they left all to follow Jesus. Andrew is patron saint of Russia and Scotland.

LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society will be hosting their very popular Ladies' Christmas Luncheon on Friday 7 December 12 for 12.30pm at the Rayleigh Golf Club, Hullbridge. Ladies will be treated to a delicious two course lunch with tea & coffee in the luxurious surroundings of a private room over-looking the golf course at this exclusive club. Tickets cost £25.00 per person. To reserve your place, please call Libby on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk

VACANCY FOR A PART-TIME BURSAR at The Ursuline Preparatory School Ilford

From: January 2019. Salary: £45,000 FTE depending on qualifications and experience. Closing date: 30th November 2018, Interviews will be held on 6th December 2018. The Governors are seeking to appoint a dynamic, inspiring, ambitious Part-time Bursar with a proven track record of successful leadership at senior level. Please submit a statement in support of your application together with your Application Form. Application forms can be found on our website http://www.urspsi.org.uk/school/careers/ together with further details of the position. Please return your completed application form via email to: urspsi@urspsi.org.uk. You may also request a pack by contacting the school office on 020-8518 4050.

VACANCY FOR A SOCIAL, DIGITAL AND PRINT MEDIA DESIGNER

for the BCYS and Caritas. We are recruiting for this new role, which also includes updating and refreshing our websites (familiarity with Wordpress is essential). Part time (12 hours/week), £14/hour. Full details at www.bcys.net/vacancy-media - deadline for applications is 30 November 2018.

VACANCY for a PPA TEACHER to start Jan 2019 at St. Joachim's Catholic Primary School

Shipman Road, Custom House, E16 3DT Tel: 020-74761658. Contract type: Part time (3 or 4 days a week) Contract term: Temporary (July 2019 with possible full time opportunity) Closing date for application forms is Friday 30th November 2018. Shortlisting, Monday 3rd December 2018- Interviews on Thursday 7th December 2018. Teacher application forms can be obtained from the CES Website. http://www.cesew.org.uk/recruitment-process/itemReturn forms to returned to marie.grima@st-joachims.newham.sch.uk. St Joachim's is an 'Outstanding', small and friendly Catholic primary school that is in the process of expansion to 2 forms of entry, and is part of a growing Catholic Academy Trust. Salary: MPS Inner London (School teachers' pay and conditions document 2018)