

### 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.



*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).

### 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 by a generous benefactor.

**The lamp in honour of Saint Joseph** is given for the intentions of Angela Dixon.

*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, 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 . . .**

**10-16 Aug:** Peter Prendergast, Eileen Treston, Eileen Rogers, James White, Mary O'Callaghan, Michael Dennis, Dermot Forde, Ernest Pridmore, Siobhain Furlong, Thomas McCarthy, Carmela Clarke, Peter Hughes, Winnie Dempsey, Elsie Lawrence, Jean Crane, Tommy Lyons and Maria Pilar Almaluez.



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 10 Aug : 6.30 pm Eileen Rogers RIP  
Sunday 11 Aug : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community  
11.30 am Thanksgiving (Onyiuke)

Monday 12 Aug : 9.15 am Lucy & Sean Bush int (Cody)  
Tuesday 13 Aug : 9.15 am Emmanuela Giordmaina RIP (Borg)  
Wednesday 14 Aug : 9.15 am Intentions of the Donor

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday 15 Aug : 9.15 am Members of Our Parish Community  
7.30 pm Mary Wheatley RIP (Hale)  
Friday 16 Aug : 9.15 am Josephine Walsh RIP (Ellul)

#### TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 17 Aug : 6.30 pm Peggy McGeary RIP (McGeary family)  
Sunday 18 Aug : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community  
11.30 am Kate Tomlinson RIP (Clive)

# Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

### Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

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## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10-11 August 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)



Thursday 15 August

### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

#### Masses

9.15 am and 7.30 pm

*holyday of obligation*

### PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £1023.20 (£423.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your continuing support for the life and ministry of our church and its community.

### MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

A setting of a hymn in honour of the Blessed Sacrament – music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791).

*Ave verum corpus natum de Maria virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine. Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.*

*O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu fili Mariae miserere mei. Amen.*

*Hail, true body, born of Mary, truly killed, sacrificed, on the cross for man:  
whose pierced side flowed with a tide of blood. The one first put to the test for us, in the trial of death.  
O sweet, O gentle, O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.*

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Tsitsi Brooks into the Church and pray that she and her family will grow in the knowledge and love of God within our faith community.

### MISSION 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, if you haven't already done so, 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. So far, this year, we have collected £401.44. 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!

### 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. Full details: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us/>

### THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial of St Jane Frances de Chantal, religious** – she was widowed, with four children, when still quite young. Later, with St Francis de Sales, she founded the Visitation nuns. She died in 1641.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saints Pontian and Hippolytus** – both were martyrs of the early third century: Pontian being Pope and Hippolytus a priest. It is from the writings of Hippolytus that we know many details of the life and worship of Christians of that era.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of St Maximilian Kolbe, priest and martyr** – during the Nazi occupation of his Polish homeland, this Capuchin friar harboured over 2000 Jews and other refugees. Arrested and taken to the original Auschwitz concentration camp, he begged to be allowed to die in place of another. Thrown into one of the notorious starvation cells, he was finished off with a lethal injection of phenol. He was canonised by Pope John Paul II in 1982.

Thursday is the **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** – in 1950, Pope Pius XII declared that the Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory. This declaration is one of the three infallible statements issued by popes in the 2000-year history of the Church; it formalised and made explicit, a long-held belief of the Church. The Feast of the Assumption was celebrated here in England in the Middle Ages – far earlier than the rest of Europe. Indeed, there are many medieval churches today known as "St Mary's" whose original dedication was: "The Assumption of Mary".

Friday is the **Memorial of St Stephen of Hungary** – an example of what a good Christian ruler should be; he died in 1038.

"I am the bread of life, Jesus says. Let us pause on this beautiful image of Jesus. He could have offered a rationale, a demonstration, but – we know – Jesus speaks in parables, and in this expression: "I am the bread of life", he truly sums up his entire being and mission. This will be seen completely at the end, at the Last Supper. Jesus knows that the Father is asking him not only to give food to people, but to give himself, to break himself, his own life, his own flesh, his own heart so that we might have life. These words of the Lord reawaken in us our amazement for the gift of the Eucharist. No one in this world, as much they might love another person, can make themselves become food for them. God did so, and does so, for us. Let us renew this amazement. Let us do so as we adore the Bread of Life, because adoration fills life with amazement." – **Pope Francis**

### WALSINGHAM HOUSE RETREAT MANAGER VACANCY

Walsingham House at Abbotswick, the youth retreat centre for the Diocese of Brentwood, are seeking to appoint a Retreat Manager. The Retreat Manager will work to ensure the smooth and efficient running of retreats, leading and training the volunteer team, and developing the programmes on offer to schools and parishes. Walsingham House has an excellent reputation for the quality of the retreats offered and after a year to rebuild we are keen to develop this further. This is not necessarily a "live-

in" role, but accommodation can be provided if required. For more information please see: <https://bcys.net/news/vacancies/> Closing date is Friday 30th August.

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

This year marks 60 years since the opening of the first Walsingham House and 40 years since the first volunteer team took residence. There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday 31 August at midday celebrated by Bishop Alan in the grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick. Everyone is very welcome to attend with a special invite to those who have been part of the Walsingham House team over the last 40 years. After Mass you are welcome to stay for a picnic in the grounds.

### 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.

### 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/>

### 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

10-11 August		GROUP 3
6.30 pm	1. 2. Kammalunna Onyekonwu 3.	Maria Smith Clare Scott David Elliott
9.00 am	1. Adekemi Ogunro 2. Pat Pridham 3.	Andrew Green Liz Carthy Susana Gracia
11.30am	1. Debbie Cullis 2. Ify Okoye 3.	Robert Hale Adam Beddoe
17-18 August		GROUP 4
6.30 pm	1. Mick Doolan 2. Hanyeolisa Onyekonwu 3. Lili Gargiulo Thomas	Liz Lawrence Jean Capps Kim Ayling
9.00 am	1. Maria Green 2. Roger King 3. Diane McCarthy	Auxilia Rayan Alison Greene Kim Pritchard
11.30am	1. Nuala Doherty 2. Oluwajuwon Emmanuel 3. Terence Osuji	Onyema Agbebi

### 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).