

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).

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The lamp in honour of **Our Lady** is given for the intentions of Ken Hay.

The lamp in honour of **Saint Joseph** is given in memory of Father Sean Sheils.

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 . . .

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

Those who have died recently . . .

Stephen Hope, the son of Joan and Roy Hope, died suddenly on 19 July; we keep him and his family in our prayers.

Vonnie Myers died on Monday 12 August; her funeral arrangements will be published when finalised.

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

17-23 Aug: Hetty Fortkamp, Anne Wotherspoon, Kath Tomlinson, Thomas Kelly, Mary Ellen (Helen) Parker, Father Sean Sheils (*former Parish Priest*), Anna Valentini and Teresa Smith.



MASS INTENTIONS

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)

Monday 19 Aug : 9.15 am Vera Dobson RIP (Dolby)

Tuesday 20 Aug : 9.15 am Father Cedrick Stanley RIP (PACT Westminster)

Wednesday 21 Aug : 9.15 am Father Brian McGilloway RIP (PACT Brentwood)

Thursday 22 Aug : 9.15 am Barry & Lea Finch int (Cody)

Friday 23 Aug : 9.15 am Teresa Smith RIP (Pat)
11.30 am Requiem Mass for Sandra Etienne

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 24 Aug : 6.30 pm Thanksgiving (Hardy)

Sunday 25 Aug : 9.00 am Matildes Fernandes RIP (De Lima)

11.30 am Annie Niner RIP (Esmond/Jn Baptist)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

Parish Priest:

Father Philip Denton

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

17-18 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

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £688.98 (£410.50 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 Jaden Omoregie into the family of the Church and pray that he and his family will grow in the knowledge and love of God.

MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

A setting of a motet in honour of the Blessed Sacrament – music by the English composer Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

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.

MISSIO RED BOX HOLDERS

Emptying Red Boxes: If you haven't already done so, do 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 John Eudes** – this French priest was the one who, about 300 years ago, was the first to spread ‘official’ devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Bernard, abbot and teacher of the faith** – a founder of the great Cistercian order of monks. His writings include important passages about Our Lady. It may have been St Bernard who wrote the *Memorare* and the hymns *Jerusalem the golden* and *Daily, daily, sing to Mary*.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of St Pius X, pope** – faced with many issues that he felt were threatening the Church at the beginning of the twentieth century, he was led to publish the encyclical *Lamentabili* – a condemnation of Modernism. He is also credited with an attempt to stem the huge numbers lapsing from the Faith. He encouraged frequent reception of Holy Communion and, in 1907, allowed First Holy Communion before Confirmation (changing what had been the custom and practice for nineteen centuries). Sadly, in much of the world, his experiment has not been successful. His sincere hope had been that all children would want to continue to receive the Lord in the Eucharist; for the vast majority they (or their families) do not. Pius also insisted on the importance of priests celebrating the ‘proper’ Sunday Mass (until then they could say any Mass – many simply memorised a favourite Mass and celebrated it week in, week out). So he was responsible for restoring ‘Ordinary Time’ with its readings and prayers; in art he is often depicted wearing green (Ordinary Time) vestments, giving Communion to a small child.

Thursday is the **Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary** – in the old calendar, this was the octave day of the Assumption, which we celebrated last weekend. Today we honour Mary, assumed into heavenly glory and crowned as Queen of Heaven. Blessed Paul VI said: ‘Seated beside the King of ages, Mary shines forth as Queen and intercedes as Mother’.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Rose of Lima** - the first canonised saint from the New World. Her life in Peru followed the pattern of so many good women before her: penance and prayer, combined with practical help for the poor and sick. She died in 1617.

**WALSINGHAM HOUSE ANNIVERSARY MASS AND CELEBRATION
Walsingham House at Abbotswick on Saturday 31 August**

Whether in Chingford, Canvey Island or Abbotswick, we have been blessed with 40 years of volunteer teams at our vibrant Diocesan Youth Retreat Centre “Walsingham House”. Join us for Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan at 12pm, followed by a picnic in the beautiful grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick throughout the afternoon. If you can share any photos, or to find out more information, you can email info@bcys.net, visit www.bcys.net or search @brentwoodcys on Instagram and facebook.

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/

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 or contact us at 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/>

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.

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

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
24-25 August		GROUP 5
6.30 pm	1. Carleen Heath 2. Frank Smith 3. Margaret Smith	Dylan Scott Ngozi Obiakonwa Donna Hector
9.00 am	1. Andrew Shaw 2. 3.	Jacklin De Lima Olivia Paton Noel Foley
11.30am	1. 2. Shirley Hay 3.	Louise Seaton Barbara Binder Pam Hale

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).

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

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