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 in memory of Kay Cole.

The lamp in honour of Saint Joseph is given in memory of Dominic Kelly.

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 whose memory we keep at this time . . .

7-13 Sept: Kay Mason, Ada Spelling, Ralph Stevens, Catherine Wheelhouse, Kay Cole, Hannah Mary (Joan) England, Elizabeth Morrissey, Michael Heneghan, Kathleen Collis, Betty Pacitto, Bert Kenneth Smith, Jim Palmer and Ron Fearn.

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MASS INTENTIONS

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)

Monday 9 Sept : 9.15 am Members of Our Parish Community 11.00 am St Patrick's Mass for the Beginning of the School Year Tuesday 10 Sept : 9.15 am Robert Dick int (Anne) Wednesday 11 Sept : 9.15 am Gordon Sulmon RIP (Micallef) Thursday 12 Sept : 9.15 am Thanksgiving (Akpey) Friday 13 Sept : 9.15 am Emmanuela Giordmaine (Micallef) 11.30 am Requiem Mass for Thomas (Frank) Mason

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 14 Sept : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community Sunday 15 Sept : 9.00 am Thanksgiving for Our Community (Pye) 11.30 am Vincent Harrison RIP (Doherty)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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

Parish Priest: Father Philip Denton to contact Church House: ☎01708-749050 ⊠ collierrow@brcdt.org

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 7-8 Sept 2024



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

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER Daily until 6.00 pm PARISH WEBSITE www.corpuschristicollierrow.org

RETIRING COLLECTION

This weekend there is a retiring collection for the Catholic Education Service, which provides support to schools and education departments in the dioceses of England and Wales. Next weekend there is another retiring collection this time for Evangelii Gaudium (Joy of the Gospel) Sunday; it used to be called Home Mission Sunday.

PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to \pounds 760.63 (\pounds 416.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your continuing support for the life and ministry of our church and its community.

PARKING FOR WEEKDAY MASS

A reminder that the church 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

This year the Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which falls on 8th September, is replaced by our celebration of the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time. In honour of Our Lady, we hear a setting of the *Ave Maria* (Hail Mary) by the Renaissance, Spanish composer Alonso Lobo (1555-1617).

READERS AND EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The current rota runs out very soon, 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 ...

Monday is the **Memorial of St Peter Claver, priest** – from a peasant family near Barcelona, he became a Jesuit in 1601 and went to Majorca, where he was inspired to work in America. He was sent to Bogota in Colombia in 1610 and to Cartagena in 1616, where he remained for forty years. The city was the central slave market for the Caribbean area, and he made a special vow to minister to the enslaved African people there. He was alleged to have baptised and cared for over 300,000 of them. During the last four years of his life he was an invalid and was often neglected by his brethren. He died in 1654, was canonised in 1888 and, in 1896, was declared patron of the Church's missions among black people.

Friday is the **Memorial of St John Chrysostom, bishop and teacher of the faith** – his 'surname' was more of a nickname – meaning 'golden mouth' – a tribute to the constant high quality of his homilies. Although he was Archbishop of Constantinople, he died in exile in 407.

CELEBRATING THE JUBILEE

2025 will be a Holy Year for the whole church. Pope Francis has invited us to promote the rights of refugees in the Jubilee Year and beyond. On Saturday 12 October from 11 am (coffee available from 10.30) Victoria Firth and Liam Allmark of the Jesuit Refugee Service UK will discuss how we can take up Pope Francis' invitation. The event will take place at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park (RM2 6DH). Live participation is encouraged, but the day can also be followed live or accessed later on www.whatgoodnews.org For those attending, the church is a short walk from Gidea Park station (Elizabeth Line). There is ample car parking space at the church. Refreshments available. Please bring a packed lunch.

VACANCY FOR HR ADMINISTRATOR

The Ursuline Academy Ilford is looking to recruit an H R Administrator. Start ASAP. Closing date: Noon, Friday 20th September 2024 Please see website for further details //ww.uai.org.uk/vacancies

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. Meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of every month at 2pm in St. Anthony's Hall at the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill. 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

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

7-8 Sept **GROUP 6** 1. Kammalunna Onyekonwu David Elliott 6.30 pm Clare Scott 2. 3. Maria Smith 1. Pat Pridham Andrew Green 9.00 am 2. Adekemi Ogunro Liz Carthy Susana Gracia 3. 1. Ify Okoye Robert Hale 2. Debbie Cullis Adam Beddoe 11.30am 3. **GROUP 7** 14-15 Sept 1. Mick Doolan Lili Gargiulo Thomas Liz Lawrence 6.30 pm 2. Hanveolisa Onvekonwu 3. Jean Capps Kim Avlina 1. Diane McCarthy Maria Green 2. Roger King 9.00 am Auxilia Ravan 3. Kim Pritchard Alison Greene 1. Onyema Agbebi Nuala Doherty 11.30am 2. Terence Osuji 3. Oluwaiuwon Emmanuel

The current Rota will be available soon on the parish website –

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

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