



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 in memory of Gracia Almaluez.

**The lamp in honour of Saint Joseph** is given in memory of Tony Conway.

*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, Michael Brennan, 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 who have died recently . . .**

**Mary Rambukpitiya** – her Requiem Mass is on Monday 22 July at 3.30 pm followed by private cremation the following day.

**Shirley Delbaere** died on Monday 8 July; her Requiem Mass is on Tuesday 23 July at 11.00 am followed by Committal at Forest Park Crematorium.

#### **Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .**

**20-26 July:** James Spring, Decimo Valentini, Grace Anderson, Ollie Bridewell, Emilio Tagliamonti, Bert Chapman, Pauline Snoxell, Father Hugh Toninello MCCJ, James Riley and Mary Curtis.



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 20 July : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 21 July : 9.00 am Patrick Donohue RIP (B Donohue)  
11.30 am Ollie Bridewell RIP (Cochrane)

Monday 22 July : 9.15 am Mary Curtis RIP (Foundation)  
11.00 am School Leavers' Mass

3.30 pm Requiem Mass for Mary Rambukpitiya  
Tuesday 23 July : 9.15 am Gerry Allen RIP (Butcher)  
11.00 am Requiem Mass for Shirley Delbaere

Wednesday 24 July : 9.15 am Susan Walsh RIP (Rajan)  
Thursday 25 July : 9.15 am Thanksgiving (Rachel Miranda)  
Friday 26 July : 9.15 am Thanksgiving (Vettath family)

#### SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 27 July : 6.30 pm Annie Niner RIP (Esmond/Jn Baptist)

Sunday 28 July : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community  
11.30 am Thanksgiving (Onyiuke)

# Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 20-21 July 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)

### PARISH OFFERINGS

Last weekend your Parish Offerings amounted to £1062.99 (£556.20 of this was gift aided). The collection for Stella Maris came to £212.88 (£191.60 was gift-aided). Thank you for your continuing support for the life and ministry of our church and its community.

### COFFEE AFTER MASS

The Afro-Caribbean Group invite you to a coffee morning (though it will be afternoon) following the Mass at 11.30 am this weekend. Do stay, or come along, to join them.

### MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

A setting by the English composer Thomas Tallis (c1505-1585) of *O sacrum convivium* - an antiphon in honour of the presence of Jesus we receive in Holy Communion:

*O sacrum convivium in quo Christus sumitur. Recolitur memoria passionis eius, mens impletur gratia: et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.*

*O sacred feast in which we share in Christ. We recall the memory of his passion, our minds are filled with grace; and we receive the pledge of glory still to come.*

### END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

On Monday we have a special Mass with our Year 6 students as they prepare to leave St Patrick's for their new secondary schools in September. We wish them well for their future. The school breaks up for the summer on Tuesday – we hope the staff and children have a well-deserved, wonderful and restful holiday.

### LUNCHTIME PIANO RECITAL – BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL

You are invited to a really special Lunchtime Piano Recital on Wednesday 24 July at 1pm to be given by Paul Bateman and Roderick Elms. This is a unique opportunity to hear Rachmaninoff's Suites for Two Pianos in which our instrumentalists will no doubt be working in perfect harmony to bring us this splendid music! The Recital will last about one hour after which we should like to invite you back to our Song School for refreshments. Do hope you can join us for this Recital which is the last one before our Summer break.

### MISSIO 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 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. 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!

**"Mission Today"** the summer edition is available in the porch – please take a copy. There are spares for anyone who is interested in finding out about the impact Missio is making in the wider Church.

#### THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Feast of St Mary Magdalene, apostle to the apostles** – one of the women disciples of Jesus, she was present on Calvary at the foot of the cross, and was also a witness to her Lord, risen from the dead. In recognition of the importance of her role in the life of the infant Church, her liturgical celebration was raised from a simple 'Memorial' to a 'Feast Day' by Pope Francis.

Tuesday is the **European Feast of St Bridget of Sweden, religious and patron of Europe** – a fourteenth century Swede, devoted wife and mother of eight. As a widow, she founded the religious order of Bridgettines, one of their main apostolates is hospitality.

Wednesday is the **Memorial of St Charbel Makhlof, priest** – a nineteenth century Maronite monk, priest and hermit in the Lebanon; his reputation for holiness prompted people to seek him to receive a blessing and to be remembered in his prayers. Following his death, Christians and Muslims soon made his tomb a place of pilgrimage; it was renowned for cures. Pope Paul VI beatified him in 1965 and canonised him twelve years later.

Thursday is the **Feast of St James, apostle** – this apostle, the brother of John, was the first to follow his Master in being put to death. According to tradition, he went to Spain to preach the gospel; whether this is an historical fact or not, his famous shrine at Santiago de Compostella still attracts pilgrims in their thousands.

Friday is the **Memorial of SS Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary** – the parents of Our Lady, and hence, the maternal grandparents of Jesus. In France there is great devotion to St Anne, with churches and shrines in her honour – as at St Anne d'Auray.

#### 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/>

#### 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 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.

#### 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

20-21 July		GROUP 8
6.30 pm	1. Jean Capps 2. Hanyeolisa Onyekonwu 3. Mick Doolan	Liz Lawrence Lili Gargiulo Thomas Kim Ayling
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Kim Pritchard 3. Diane McCarthy	Alison Greene Maria Green Auxilia Rayan
11.30am	1. Oluwajuwon Emmanuel 2. Onyema Agbebi 3. Terence Osuji	Nuala Doherty
27-28 July		GROUP 1
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. Ngozi Obiakonwa 3. Carleen Heath	Frank Smith Dylan Scott Donna Hector
9.00 am	1. Andrew Shaw 2. 3.	Noel Foley Olivia Paton Jacklin De Lima
11.30am	1. 2. Shirley Hay 3.	Barbara Binder Pam Hale Louise Seaton

*"We need – listen to this – we need an "ecology of the heart", that is made up of rest, contemplation and compassion.*

*Let us take advantage of the summer time for this! It will help us quite a bit."*

**Pope Francis, Angelus Address, 18 July 2021**