

SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The lamp in honour of **Our Lady** is given in memory of Ellen Morrisey.

The lamp in honour of **Saint Joseph** is given in memory of Hannah Hart.

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, Ray Lobendhan, Maureen Mongan, Helen Murray, Jim Peters, Stephen Smithers, June and Sue Spelling, Mary Treston, Tracy Tucker, Kate Welcome and Yvonne Wilson.

Those who have died recently . . .

Margaret Harrington died on Sunday 6 October. We pray for her and keep Pat and their family in our prayers.

Robert Dick died on Tuesday 8 October. We keep him in our prayers, together with his wife Anne and their family and friends.

Joseph Kelly died on Thursday 10 October. We keep Joe, his wife Christine and the family in our prayers. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Monday 28 October at 12.30 pm followed by Committal at Forest Park Crematorium.

Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .

26 Oct – 1 Nov: Sidney Scott, Maria Da Graca Sobral, Dorothy Cox, Mary Clancy, Maria Quinn, David Kelly, Luigi Bedani, Wally Howell, Michael Smerdon, Lewis Bennett and Ralph Pacitto.



MASS INTENTIONS

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 26 Oct : 6.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

Sunday 27 Oct : 9.00 am Nancy Ripley RIP (Cochrane)

11.30 am John Hamilton RIP (Hughes)

Monday 28 Oct : 9.15 am Intentions of the Donor

12.30 pm Requiem Mass for Joseph Kelly

Tuesday 29 Oct : 9.15 am Ellen Morrisey RIP (O'Driscoll)

Wednesday 30 Oct : 9.15 am Hannah Hart RIP (O'Driscoll)

Thursday 31 Oct : 9.15 am John Dolby RIP (Anne)

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Friday 1 Nov : 9.15 am Josephine Walsh RIP (Micallef)

7.30 pm Members of Our Parish Community

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 2 Nov : 6.30 pm Paddy O'Donoghue RIP (Conneely)

Sunday 3 Nov : 9.00 am Members of Our Parish Community

11.30 am Thanksgiving (Onyiuke)

Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26-27 October 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



Friday 1 November

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Masses

9.15 am and 7.30 pm

holyday of obligation

Saturday 2 November

ALL SOULS' DAY

*The church will be open
for private prayer
from 8.00 am*

COFFEE AFTER 11.30 MASS THIS SUNDAY

The Afro-Caribbean Society are again hosting a Coffee Morning/Afternoon next weekend.

PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We hope that the programme of preparation for Roman Catholic children in Year 3 or above will begin soon after Christmas and will involve a series of sessions on Saturday mornings (once per month) in the Parish Hall. We need a team of people to work with small groups of children, under the guidance of Mrs Olivia Paton (the former Headteacher of our school). Without a team it will be difficult (if not impossible) for the programme to run. If you would be prepared to help in this important work, please speak with Fr Philip or John. As with anyone who works with children, you would need to be happy to complete an application for a police check (the "DBS") to comply with the Church's safeguarding practice. Once we have a team of catechists, we shall be in a position to produce application forms and publish the dates of the sessions and of the celebrations of First Reconciliation and First Communion.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Larosa Allen and Dino Maughan into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism; we pray that they and their family will grow in the knowledge and love of God within the community of faith, the Church.

YOUR OFFERINGS LAST WEEKEND

Parish Offerings last weekend amounted to £854.13 (£416.00 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your continuing support for the life and ministry of our church and its community. The collection for World Mission Sunday raised £226.65 (£186.40 was gift-aided).

OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

At 6.30 pm on Wednesdays throughout October the Rosary has been prayed in the Lady Chapel – led by members of the Afro-Caribbean Society and the Society of St Vincent de Paul. Do join them for this final Wednesday.

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November is the month when we especially remember our dead and their influence on us, the living. We also pray for them and offer Masses for the repose of their souls in the eternal life of God. Our custom here, for many years, is to leave the names of our loved ones before the altar throughout the month. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the porch; please place them in the offertory baskets, put them through the letter box at Church House or hand them in to the sacristy. Any offerings you make will help to provide Masses for the Holy Souls, celebrated during November and throughout the year.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Feast of SS Simon and Jude, apostles** – in the New Testament, Simon is only referred to in the lists of apostles as the 'Zealot'. The traditions concerning his career after the Resurrection are conflicting and nothing is known about his life. In art, he is sometimes depicted as being sawn in half lengthways – presumably the method of his martyrdom. Jude was the brother of James the Less and was, therefore, related to Jesus. One of the letters in the New Testament is attributed to him. The traditions concerning his later life are confused and unreliable, including the one that he was martyred in Persia with Simon; this has led to them sharing their feastday. Jude is the patron of difficult or hopeless cases or problems (read his brief letter in the New Testament - the reason for this will become clear).

Friday is the **Solemnity of All Saints**, a holyday of obligation. Not all saints have official world-wide feastdays, many are celebrated only in particular regions or localities – such as St Sebbi, St Anne Line and St John Payne, three of the saints of this diocese. All Saints' Day honours these, and all those (not only canonised saints) who 'now see, love and enjoy God for ever' in heaven.

Saturday (until the evening) is the **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)** – on this day the Church remembers and prays for all the faithful departed. 'It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead (II Maccabees 12:45).

ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

We have received an invitation from The Campion School for anyone who would like to attend the annual Christmas Party – this year on Sunday 15 December between 12.30 and 5.00 pm, with lunch served at 1.30 pm. Names and contact phone numbers to Father Philip or John to be added to the list in the Sacristy. Places are limited to fifteen people: first come, first served.

BISHOP'S VISIT AND THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Bishop Alan will be visiting our parish on Sunday 6 July 2025; during the Visit he will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for any young people in Year 11 (or older). Information about the programme of preparation will be available soon after Christmas; look out for the announcement in the newsletter.

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. All are welcome. Tea/Coffee and Cake will be provided.

SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

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

ROME & ASSISI OCTOBER 2025

St Joseph's Upminster is organising a pilgrimage for the jubilee year, departing Sunday 26 October 2025 for 5 nights. For more information, brochure and booking form please visit https://www.tailored-travel.co.uk/stjosephs_rome_2025 To book, please print and complete the booking form and return to Rome Pilgrimage, St Joseph's Presbytery, Champion Road, Upminster RM14 2SY, with your deposit (payable to the agent) as soon as possible.

MINISTRY ROTA

26-27 Oct		GROUP 6
6.30 pm	1. Mary O'Driscoll 2. Shantay Charles 3. Eileen Collier	Sue Butcher Kulangara Johnson
9.00 am	1. Eileen Jonas 2. 3. Mary Brennan	Peter Hale Wally Barnes Alex Hinton
11.30am	1. Nicole Osuji 2. Michael Chadwick 3. Triston Osuji	Stephen Doherty Margaret Moffat
2-3 Nov		GROUP 7
6.30 pm	1. Kamalunna Onyekonwu 2. 3.	Clare Scott David Elliott
9.00 am	1. Adekemi Ogunro 2. Pat Pridham 3.	Susana Gracia Andrew Green Liz Carthy
11.30am	1. Debbie Cullis 2. Ify Okoye 3.	Robert Hale

The Rota is available on the parish website – in the 'Rotas' section.

There are a few paper copies in the Sacristy.

The newsletter only lists those ministering this week and next.

Readers & Communion Ministers should come to church in good time and sign in on the list in the Sacristy.

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

AFRO-CARIBBEAN SOCIETY

For anyone of African or Caribbean descent; contact: Martha – 07533 340622 or Chi – 07463 247424.

OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP

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. Contact Eileen Jonas (07442 173956).

ASSISTANT SAFEGUARDING COORDINATOR

To assist the Safeguarding Coordinator with effectively managing the safeguarding duties for the Diocese. Hours: 21 hours per week – based in Cathedral House, Brentwood. Start date: ASAP. Salary: dependent on skills and experience. Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) HR@brcdt.org Closing date for applications is 31 October 2024.

RUN ALPHA - Catholic Context, Romford

Join the Alpha UK Catholic Context team on Saturday 9th November, 10am-3.30pm at St Peter's Catholic Primary School in Romford for a session especially tailored for Catholic parishes to explore Alpha as a tool for evangelisation. **Run Alpha** is designed to give you the opportunity to experience sample Alpha sessions, discover how Alpha works in a Catholic parish setting, hear from other parishes already running Alpha, and most importantly to give you space to ask all your questions. The event is free. Please bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee will be provided. More details about the day can be found in the registration link below. To register for Run Alpha in Romford please follow this link: Run Alpha – Catholic Context, Romford Tickets, Sat 9 Nov 2024 at 10:00 | Eventbrite If you have any questions in the meantime please contact Michael Roche at Michael.Roche@alpha.org