

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

## Parish News

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### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

21st January 2018

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In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus meets people while they doing their ordinary daily work of fishing and mending their nets on the sea shore. They weren't on their knees praying in the temple or the synagogue. Jesus called these men and invited them to follow him, to become fishers of men.

Jesus calls us wherever we are, regardless of who we are. He breaks into our world through our ordinary daily lives and activities. Jesus has not stopped calling people to follow him. Today we are the ones he looks at and says, '*Come follow me.*' Those in the Gospel dropped everything they were doing and followed Jesus when he called them. This was all very sudden and dramatic. Our response may not be as quick and decisive but it doesn't need to be. We all follow Jesus at our own pace, in our time and in our own way.

After Jesus called these men and women to follow he sent them out in his name to proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God. He sent them out in *his* name, not their own. Today we are the ones who are not only called, we are also sent out to proclaim the gospel through how we live; through what we say and what do.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION - 6TH/7TH JANUARY:** Envelopes: £536.37. Loose: £443.96. Gift Aid Standing Orders: £514.61. Total: £1,494.94. Thank you.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION - 13TH/14TH JANUARY:** Envelopes: £738.30. Loose: £327.55. Gift Aid Standing Orders: £514.61. Total: £1,580.46. Thank you.

**SECOND COLLECTION ON 13TH/14TH JANUARY - PAX CHRISTI:** Envelopes: £95.00. Loose: £193.25. Total: £288.25.

**SICK PARISHIONERS:**

**Those of our parishioners and friends who have asked for prayers:**

Mary Rooney, Peter Beard, Frankie Gall, Maria Hoefft, Megan Delaney, Marie Day, Barbara Mansell, Mary Delaney, Sandra Gilbert, Frances Weaver, Janet Cash, Mary McGrath, Rachel Stokes, Isaac Barry, Maria Wray, and Margaret Butler.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Eileen Grealish, Mary Wright, Boleslaw Trzos, Peter Coleman, David Crowe, Walter Barton, Anthony Bullock, Denis McIntyre, Stephen Ratcliffe, Siobhian Ryan, Grace Hill and Florence Costin. May they all rest in peace.

**REFRESHMENTS:** Will be provided after the **9.00am** and **11.00am** Sunday Masses.

**REQUIEM MASS:** Please pray for the soul of **Henryka Duzniak**, mother of Basia Duzniak, who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place this **Thursday, 25th January**, at **12.00noon**. Followed by burial at Braintree Cemetery. We offer our deepest sympathies to all the family.

**REQUIEM MASS:** Please pray for the soul of **Mark Anthony Higgins**, son of John Higgins. His Requiem Mass will take place this **Friday, 26th January**, at **12.00noon**. Followed by burial at Braintree Cemetery. We offer our deepest sympathies to all the family.

**BAPTISMS:** **This weekend**, we welcome the following into the family of the Church:

**Darcy Amelia Martenz-Rand**, daughter of Rebecca and Lee.

**Florence Elizabeth Rose Peniston-Bird**, daughter of Lucy and Tristan.

**Julia Maria Poloczek**, daughter of Katarzyna and Lukasz.

May God bless them all at this special time.

**COMMUNION SERVICE:** On **Wednesday 24th January**, there will be a Communion Service instead of Mass, at **9.30am**.

**FRIDAY COFFEE MORNINGS:** Due to lack of help, we now only hold Friday coffee mornings, after the 9.30am Mass, once a month but it would only take a couple more people to enable us to run it fortnightly. Expenses are covered - no need to provide homemade cakes! Your help is appreciated - contact Sue on 326779 if you can help.

**FOODBANK:** The latest list is now available on the noticeboard. Thank you.

**ALTAR SERVING:** If anyone is interested in becoming an altar server and has received their First Holy Communion already, then contact Sue on 326779 as soon as possible.

**FIRE MARSHALLS:** Thank you to all of you who have put your name down to become a Fire Marshall for our parish. We still need more people who regularly come to the **9.00am Sunday Mass** to come forward. If you can help then call Sue on 326779.

**STEWARD OF THE GOSPEL:** Parish Meeting on **Saturday 20th January**, after **6.00pm** Mass. All welcome.

**BINGO SOCIAL EVENING:** We are holding a bingo night to raise funds for our Parish on **Friday 2nd February, 7.30pm**. In the Jubilee Hall. Please bring any drinks/snacks you require. Entrance is free but you will need to purchase the books on the night.

**BRAINTREE YOUTH PROJECT CHARITY:** On **27th/28th January**, Kate Manning, will be speaking after all Masses regarding the work of the BYPC. They are a friendly community of young people and Christian volunteer helpers who would like to welcome you and your children to a lively and safe place. For more information about BYPC and their opening times, please email: [contact@braintreeyouth.org.uk](mailto:contact@braintreeyouth.org.uk).

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** **23rd-27th July 2018**. Is anyone willing to help the medical team on this pilgrimage - they need doctors, nurses and health carers? There's a meeting being held on **Tuesday 30th January - 7.00-8.30pm**, at St James the Less Church, Colchester, if you might be able to offer your services. Thank you.

**BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL - MASS FOR THE SICK:** On **Sunday 4th February, 3.00pm**, Bishop Alan will celebrate Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes. During the Mass, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be given to those who are unwell.

**YOUTH MASS:** At Brentwood Cathedral - every **first Wednesday** of the month. Everyone is welcome to attend and stay for refreshments afterwards.

**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES:** Dublin - **21st-26th August 2018**. This is a major international event, held every three years, for families to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the importance of marriage and family. Visit: [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/).

**VACANCY:** At Walsingham House at Abbotswick - **Hospitality, Retreats and Facilities Co-Ordinator**. Living on site. Full-time. £18,000 plus accommodation. For details visit: [www.bcys.net/vacancy-abbotswick/](http://www.bcys.net/vacancy-abbotswick/).

**VACANCY:** At the Convent - '**Awake**' **Night Carer** required, every **Saturday night 8.30pm to 7.30am**. Please contact Mary or Tania on 01376 345503.

### **OUR SCHOOLS:**

**St Francis Primary School**, Gilchrist Way, Braintree, CM7 2SY

Headteacher: Vicky Jackson

Telephone: 01376 320440 / Website: [www.stfrancisbraintree.co.uk](http://www.stfrancisbraintree.co.uk)

**St John Payne Secondary School**, Patching Hall Lane, Chelmsford, CM1 4BS

Headteacher: Anthony Schular

Telephone: 01245 256030 / Website: [www.sjp.essex.sch.uk](http://www.sjp.essex.sch.uk)

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 20th January - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Anthony Rand RIP (Rand)
Sunday 21st January <b>THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b>	9.00am 11.00am	Michael Omoyinbo RIP (Egboh) Agnes and Des McPartlan RIP
Monday 22nd January	9.30am	Communion Service
Tuesday 23rd January	9.30am	Rina Nicholls RIP (A) (Ratcliffe)
Wednesday 24th January <b>St Francis de Sales</b>	9.30am	Communion Service
Thursday 25th January <b>THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL REQUIEM MASS</b>	9.30am <b>12.00noon</b>	Ints Fr Liam Sweeney (Maher) <b>Henryka Duzniak RIP</b>
Friday 26th January <b>Ss Timothy and Titus REQUIEM MASS</b>	9.30am <b>12.00noon</b>	Fr A McKentey RIP (Doleman) <b>Mark Anthony Higgins RIP</b>
Saturday 27th January	9.30am	Bernard McFarlane RIP (Yvonne)
Saturday 27th January - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 28th January <b>FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b>	9.00am 11.00am	Fr A McKentey RIP (Doleman) Eileen Patricia Smith RIP (A) (Warren)

### **CONFESSIONS IN CHURCH ON SATURDAY - 10.00-10.30AM**

Rosary	Church	Monday (except Bank Holidays)	8.00pm
Women's Group	Jubilee Hall	Thursday 8th February	2.00-4.00pm
Faith Group	Jubilee Hall	Tuesday 20th February	7.30pm
Youth Club	Jubilee Hall	Friday 26th January	7.00pm

### **COUNTERS OF COLLECTION**

21st January	G Howell and M Cairns
28th January and 4th February	R and B Sewell
11th and 18th February	G Myddleton-Evans and J Baglin

### **CHURCH CLEANERS**

Week commencing 22nd January	S Matthewman and P Smith
Week commencing 29th January	T Crush
Week commencing 5th February	S Paul and P Santomauro

### **FRIDAY COFFEE MORNING**

Friday 9th February	M Gray, K North and A Saward
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