



OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

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PARISH NEWS

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)



Do you know anyone who needs support; physically, emotionally or spiritually? Please contact Fr David on 01376 326779 or email: braintree@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

SICK PARISHIONERS: Please pray for all our parishioners in this uncertain time. We remember especially: Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathy McBrierty, Mary Davis, Catherine Hughes, Cecilia Omoyinbo, Val Harding, Kathleen Haigh, Mary McGrath, Mary Rooney, Megan Delaney, Isaac Barry, Sandra Gilbert, Peter Beard, Bernard Boylan, Chris Brodie, Barbara Mansell, Janet Cash, Mary Delaney, Josie Pullum, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, Bob Bothello, Brenda Sewell, Danny Smith and Maria Wray.

ANNIVERSARIES: James Derriman, Anne Neel-Croos, Monica Clapp, Bertram Poulter and Sheila D'Sylva. May they all rest in Peace.

PRAYERS: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Nigel Peter Gribbin who died recently. We offer our deepest sympathies and prayers to Nigel's family at this sad time.

FUNERAL MASS: For Pepe Braybrook will be on Monday 10th August at 11.00am. Attendance of numbers is not yet known; we will advise closer to the time. May she rest in peace.

OFFERINGS: If anyone would like to donate to the parish, then please email the Parish Office, to obtain the bank details. Thank you.



MARRIAGE MATTERS

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 Rom 8:28-30 Matt 13:44-52

Discover what loving really means

Instead of praying for 'treasure', King Solomon prayed for wisdom 'to discern good from evil'. When discerning what 'loving' really means, you find 'hidden treasure' in these weekly reflections on Scripture. They will also help you to discover the 'hidden treasure' in each other. Sharing this, you sow 'seeds' of love in the minds and hearts of others.

MASS MATTERS

Dear Friends,

Recently, I have been passing on to you a lot of information about the re-opening of our wonderful Church. This week I thought it might be helpful to highlight some of those details.

- The Church is open for Mass at weekends as follows: Saturday 6pm; Sunday 9am and 11.30am.
- Booking is needed to attend one of those Masses. To book a place, please ring the Parish Office from Monday until Thursday 12 noon. If Clare or I are not available to take your call, please leave a message, including your name and phone number.
- The Church is open for weekday Masses: Tuesday 9.30am, Wednesday 9.30am (followed by private prayer until 10.30am) and Friday 9.30am.
- There is no need to book for weekday Mass. The Wednesday Mass is specially intended for those in a vulnerable category.
- On arriving for Mass, please enter by the usual side doors. Please sanitize your hands and take a card with a green tick. Please leave that card where you sit. This will show where we have to sanitize after Mass. We rely on volunteers to help us with this.
- As a Parish, we have never known such a crisis before. Therefore we need to be flexible to work out what is the most prayerful but safest way of celebrating Mass.
- Every parish's precise arrangements will be different. I ask for your feedback to discern what is best for us here in Braintree. What I would invite us to do is to create a relaxed, spiritual atmosphere while at the same time maintaining social distancing of 2 metres and protecting the health of our neighbour and oneself.
- As a result of this flexible approach we have already seen that our capacity for Mass is now **35**. At the moment, the number of bookings is still within this capacity.
- As of today I have just received 2 updates from our Bishops. 1. As well as the guidance of ushers, personal responsibility for social distancing is essential for the safe celebration of Mass. 2. The use of face covering in church is not compulsory but certainly encouraged.

Thank you for all your support and it was amazing beyond words to be together last weekend.

God bless you and all who are dear to you.

Fr David

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

This week, Fr David will be offering the following Mass Intentions:

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) ST JAMES, Ap Saturday 25th July - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Ints Hannah Walker (Norton)
Sunday 26th July	9.00am	People of The Parish
	11.30am	Special Intention
Monday 27th July		Special Intention
Tuesday 28th July	9.30am	Ints John Griffiths (Norton)
Wednesday 29th July Mass St Martha Followed by Private Prayer (Until 10.30am)	9.30am	Margaret Nolan RIP Eileen Nolan RIP (Nolan)
Thursday 30th July		Ints Franciscan Sisters
Friday 31st July St Ignatius of Loyola, Pr	9.30am	Edward Foley RIP Elizabeth Foley RIP (Teresa Bryan)
Saturday 1st August St Alphonsus Liguori, Bp, D		Special Intention
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Saturday 1st August - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Andrew Burford RIP (Burford)
Sunday 2nd August	9.00am	People of The Parish
	11.30am	Special Intention
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