



OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

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PARISH NEWS

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
(World Mission Day)



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 Rooney, Megan Delaney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Bernard Boylan, Chris Brodie, Barbara Mansell, Janet Cash, Mary Delaney, Josie Pullum, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, Bob Bothello, Brenda Sewell and Maria Wray.

ANNIVERSARIES: Christopher Shelock, Maggie Harris, Eileen Stone, Joe Wigfall, John Patrick Hayes, Kathleen Mary Dawson, John Viney, Tony Swinkels, Diane Chadwick, John O' Grady, Margaret Harrington, Thomas Conlon, Peter Prime, Veronice Gillet, Maeve Reynolds, Ruby White, Frank Francis, Mick Rumbold, Philip Warren and Noah Fisher-Cook. May they all rest in Peace.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Mass will be offered for all deceased members of our Parish, friends and family. If you would like your loved ones to be prayed for throughout November then please place an offering, with their names, in an envelope (available at the back of Church) and return to the Presbytery.

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

BOTTLE TOPS & STAMPS: Due to Covid restrictions, for the time being we are not accepting bottle tops and stamps at the back of Church. Many thanks.

LOST: Has anyone found a Rosary recently? Josie Baker recently lost hers and it has significant sentimental value. Josie is offering a reward of £25.00.

PARISH OFFICE: To help with Mass bookings, my hours in the Parish Office are changing to:

Tuesday 9-3, Wednesday 9-2, Thursday 9-2 and Friday 9-2

If you could call or email during those times; it would be greatly appreciated.

Booking a seat at Mass is not only so we can manage numbers attending, it is also a way for us to help control the spread of Covid19 and is a legal requirement. Just a reminder, if anyone becomes ill they must advise us here at the Presbytery and then we can ensure all those who attended the same Mass are contacted.

Thanks for working with us to keep our Parish safe.

Fr David & Clare

Mass Attendance.

Dear Friends, as I mentioned last weekend we are in the happy position that, since lockdown has been eased, the numbers attending Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning have shown a steady increase. When we re-opened for public worship on the weekend of 18/19 July, each Mass was attended by just over 20 people. Last weekend the attendance averaged 43 per Mass.

In planning the re-opening I said to the group of parishioners who kindly and generously helped me that I wanted to create an atmosphere which was secure, so that we could be free to concentrate on prayer. I feel that we have achieved that.

An important part of that was that I was determined that we should maintain the 2 metre rule as part as possible and I believed that that has worked. That distance does mean however, that our seating capacity is limited. We have now reached that limit.

As a result, we have had to tell people who have tried to book for some Masses that there is no space. So I am inviting us as a Parish to find the way forward. In all our deliberations it is important to remember that the Saturday night/Sunday Mass Obligation still remains suspended. It is also important to remember that weekday Mass meets our spiritual needs as much as a weekend Mass.

One possible way suggested in that we have a rota system whereby people come to weekend Mass **every other week**. This would create extra space and that would allow scope for further growth as people who had not attended since lockdown would be able to do so. But that is only one (albeit the obvious) suggestion.

I have already started to receive feed-back from some parishioners and am very grateful to them for their thoughtful response. I wish to keep this consultation period open until Sunday 1st November, so do please put your thinking caps on and let me know your thoughts!

Thank you.
Fr David

Dear First Holy Communion Parents

We hope that you have been keeping well.

We are delighted to be able to give you some news concerning continuing the FHC programme.

As you will remember we were just about to come together to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation when Lockdown was announced. We would now like to resume our programme with this Sacrament being celebrated but in smaller groups and on different dates. This will happen on Saturday mornings (**dates below**) at 9.30 am and for TRACK & TRACE purposes, only the child plus one parent are able to attend. Adults, please remember to wear your facemasks. We would be grateful if you would phone the Parish Office (Tuesday-Thursday) in order to book your date. When booking, we would also appreciate a few Parents on each date to volunteer to stay behind afterwards to help clean the church. Please let the Parish Secretary know if you would be able to do this.

As it has been a long time since we met to prepare the children for the Sacrament, we would like you to recap the first 4 chapters of the "I Belong" book with your child and go over the Reconciliation preparation sheet (**please see attachment on Facebook - Steward of the Gospel, OLQP, Braintree, Essex**).

We look forward to seeing you and your child on your selected Saturday morning to celebrate this Sacrament, which is, of course, an essential part of the FHC preparation programme. Please arrive in good time by 9.25 am at the latest, but not before 9.15 am please.

Kind Regards

Fr David & the FHC Catechist Team

[Dates for the Saturday morning Reconciliation Services for our First Holy Communion children:](#)

Available dates - 14th & 21st November.



CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Applications will soon open for children born between 01.09.2016 and 31.08 2017 for a place at St. Francis Catholic Primary School, Braintree in Reception class for September 2021. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, we are unable to offer our usual school day tours and Headteacher talk. Instead we warmly welcome and encourage parents and their pre-school child to attend an 'Open Morning' on Saturday 14th November. Your attendance must be pre-booked and ask that you please call the school office (01376 320440) to book a tour time and appointment. For additional information please see the Admissions page on the school website - www.stfrancisbraintree.org.uk

We look forward to meeting you.



MARRIAGE MATTERS

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Isa 45:1, 4-6 Thess 1: 1-5 Matt 22:15-21)

The Pharisees tried to trap Jesus: He told them to give to Caesar what belongs to him, "and to God what belongs to God". The world tells us to look after ourselves and not to need others. As married couples, we know that we are made by God for one another, not needy but needing to give of ourselves entirely.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

Give the Lord glory & power.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under [Pontius Pilate](#),
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father [and the Son],
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.**

LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

<p>TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (World Mission Day) Saturday 17th October</p> <p>Sunday 18th October</p>	<p>6.00pm</p> <p>9.00am</p> <p>11.00am</p>	<p>Ints Norma Henriques (Mussett, Colaso and Lobo Families)</p> <p>People of The Parish</p> <p>Chris Shelock RIP (Pat Shelock)</p>
<p>Monday 19th October</p>	<p>No Mass</p>	
<p>Tuesday 20th October</p>	<p>9.30am</p>	<p>Margaret Barry RIP (Doleman)</p>
<p>Wednesday 21st October Mass Followed by Private Prayer (Until 10.30am)</p>	<p>9.30am</p>	<p>Ints Veronica Owen</p>
<p>Thursday 22nd October</p>	<p>No Mass</p>	
<p>Friday 23rd October Mass Followed by Private Prayer (Until 10.30am)</p>	<p>9.30am</p>	<p>John Kelly RIP (Kelly)</p>
<p>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</p> <p>Saturday 24th October</p> <p>Sunday 25th October</p>	<p>6.00pm</p> <p>9.00am</p> <p>11.00am</p>	<p>Chris Shelock RIP (Pat Shelock)</p> <p>Maeve Reynolds (Reynolds)</p> <p>Ints Anthony Watson</p>