

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

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PARISH NEWS

6th December, 2020 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B) (Bible Sunday)



By Georgina Riordan & Team

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: Fr John Lane, Jim Hailstone, Debbie Joan Gibson, Mark Higgins, Pauline Cox, Herbert Shelock, Barry Brown, Michael Swan, Kathleen O'Keeffe, Patrick Corcoran, Patrick O'Sullivan, Ena King and Licia Bryant. May they all rest in Peace.

EVENINGS FOR THE SIGNING OF "CERTIFICATES OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE ":

Fr David will be signing forms on Thursday 10th December and Wednesday 16th December between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. Please call the Presbytery on 01376 326779 to book an appointment. Thank you.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES: New Directories for 2021 are now available from Clare at the Presbytery.

100 CLUB - NOVEMBER WINNERS: Congratulations to this month's winners! First Prize (\pounds 200): **Pat Cocklin** Second Prize (\pounds 50): **Mary Breadman** For \pounds 5 per month, you have the chance to win \pounds 200 or \pounds 50. Money that isn't paid out as prizes, goes towards church funds. If anyone is interested in finding out more about the 100 Club; please contact Clare on 01376 326779.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: AVAILABLE DATES for the rescheduled Sacrament of Reconciliation Services are as follows:

Saturday 12th December at 2 pm Saturday 19th December at 10 am.

Please ring the Parish Office to book a new date.

N.B. Adults, please remember your face masks.



<u>Christmas Mass Arrangements.</u> Given our current Covid situation, our Bishops have issued some guidelines about Christmas Masses this year. The first is that the present rules of social distancing and wearing face coverings still apply. In addition the Government's prohibition on singing inside a place of worship continues (so, obviously, for this year there will not be sung Carols at any Mass, although we will have instrumental accompaniment). Also, since other locations have to close by 11.00pm, this should be borne in mind in working out the timing of "Midnight Mass". Lastly, the Bishops point out that since Christmas has an Octave, then Masses after Christmas Eve and Christmas Day can also be counted as a celebration of Christmas so that (despite the obvious attachment to 24th/25th December) people are free to choose another day to have their religious celebration of Our Lord's Nativity.

As a result, the arrangements I am proposing for this year are:

Christmas Eve - Mass at 6.00pm and 10.00pm.

Christmas Day - Mass at 9.00am and 11.00am.

Saturday 26^{th ·} Mass at 10.00am and 6.00pm.

Sunday 27th - Mass at 9.00am and 11.00am.

Monday 28th - Mass at 10.00am.

Tuesday 29th Mass - at 9.30am.

Each of these will have the prayers and readings of Christmas. Booking will be needed for each of these Masses and booking opens on Tuesday $15^{\rm th}$ December. Thank you for your understanding in these difficult times.

Fr David.



From the Chapel at Walsingham House at Abbotswick Sunday 6th December at 4pm and available throughout Advent <u>www.youtube.com/c/Brentwoodcys</u>

> Donations are welcome, and will be split evenly between the Trussell Trust and the BCYS

> > www.bcys.net/donate





Dear Children of the Parish We are unable to have the Children's Service this year but we would still like you to be involved with helping celebrate Christmas. With that in mind, we would love it if you could draw or colour in a picture of the Nativity which we will then display at the back of the church. Please put your name on the picture and post it through the Presbytery door for the attention of Jacqui and Clare. Also we would love it if you still made and sent in your birthday cards for Jesus. Thank you in advance, Jacquí and Clare

<u>The SVP Christmas Quiz – Saturday 19th December at 7pm on</u> <u>Zoom.</u>

Please join us for our family SVP Christmas Quiz and it's free to take part – but you might like to make a donation to Cafod's World Gifts, Jesuit Refugee Gifts or the SVP Shop during the event. The links to these are on our Facebook page or you can search for them on-line.

To book a place, please send a message to:

www.facebook.com/SVPBraintree

Or to Jamie Davey at jdavey98@yahoo.com

If you are interested in joining our group to help offer practical help to families and individuals, please use the same contact details.

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

Let us see O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight, and all mankind shall see the salvation of God. 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 <u>Pontius Pilate</u>, 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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B) (Bible Sunday) Saturday 5th December	6.00pm	Mary McDermot RIP (Mark)
Sunday 6th December	9.00am 11.00am	Sean White RIP (Woulfe Family) Ints People of The Parish
Monday 7th December St Ambrose, Bp, D FUNERAL SERVICE	9.30am	Julia Carmel Gantley RIP
Tuesday 8th December Mass THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	9.30am	Bertie Shelock RIP (Shelock)
Wednesday 9th December FUNERAL SERVICE	10.30am	Theresa Streeting RIP
Thursday 10th December Mass Followed by Private Prayer (Until 10.30am)	9.30am	Fr Anthony McKentey RIP (Doleman)
Friday 11th December Mass Followed by Private Prayer (Until 10.30am)	9.30am	Mark Higgins RIP (Higgins)
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B) ('Gaudete' Sunday)		
Saturday 12th December	6.00pm	Alice Buckley RIP (Veronica Cross)
Sunday 13th December	9.00am	Ints Breda Digby (Baker)
	11.00am	(Baker) Ints Sister Roseira (Hannah Baker-Walker)