

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

Parish News

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Office Hours: Reduced office hours due to Covid restrictions:
Tuesday 9-2 and Friday 9-2
Clare will be working from home in addition to these hours
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FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT (B)

20th/21st February



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: Mary Nash, Ron Matthews, Ensa Mann, Susan Harper, Marguerite Keith-Shaw, Doreen Moran, Richard French, Monica Ling, Geraldine Benjamin, Andrew Doyle, Patrick Turner, Krystyna Drys, Jadwiga Krzykowska, Margaret Yates, Gary Halloran, John Swinkels, Phyllis Williams and Ins Derriman. May they all rest in peace.

THANK YOU: We would like to say a big thank you to FareShare & Tesco Store in Braintree for their kind donation of bread each week. To date the parish has raised £241.24 towards the cost of our hosts.

SVP: Food Bank collection during Lent At the moment, with Covid lockdown restrictions, it is more challenging to bring donated items to the church for onward transmission to the Food Bank. If you would like Braintree SVP members to collect from your home, please let Kate Manning know using 07967 796227 or contact Clare at the Parish Office.

Do you have temporary storage space for furniture and household items? Braintree SVP helps newly-housed people by supplying household equipment, often donated. Are you able to offer any temporary storage space? If so, please contact SVP on 07967 796227 or call or email Clare at the Parish Office. Thank you.

MASS BOOKINGS: Just a reminder about booking for Mass at the weekend. If you would like to book to come to Mass, can we please ask that you contact either Clare or Fr David at the presbytery no later than 2.00pm on a Thursday afternoon. It is wonderful that due to the vaccine roll out, people feel safer and are gradually coming back to celebrate Mass once again, but we need to ensure as a parish that everyone is kept safe.



Thank you to all the people who are working so hard to keep our Church open and to keep us safe during these difficult times.

A particular thank you to Jacqui Leech, who sorts out the seating plans each week and had a particularly challenging task on Ash Wednesday.

MESSAGE FROM THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSE

TO OUR CATHOLIC UNIVERSE AND CATHOLIC TIMES READERS IN THE PARISH

At the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call them on 0161 820 5722 and they will arrange for you.

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As many of you will know, our Franciscan Convent was sold last year to The Coptic Orthodox Church. Sr. Anna Mary has kindly sent us through a link to You tube. It is a 90 minute production but well worth watching. It is enlightening as well as very moving. Pope Francis speaks in it as do many others.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wRR00m67gwQ>

or

Type into Google search:

YouTube- Contemporary Martyrs Day Coptic Church

A Prayer for Lenten Grace

Loving God,
During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.
Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and
solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a
prayer-full life.
Help me to fast from those things that threaten the
well-being of body and soul and remind me of the
grace of simplicity.
Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in
so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and
generosity.
May this season be a grace-filled time to
rekindle my love for and faith in you.
Amen.



BRAINTREE AREA FOOD BANK

Shopping List

February/March 2021

**Thank you for your continuing support during the
Coronavirus crisis.**

Foodbanks within the Trussell Trust network have seen unprecedented increases across our network and by continuing to support us with your donations you are continuing to support those most in need.

We are very thankful for any donations you can give.

We currently need:

Food Items:

UHT long life milk

Other Essentials:

Hair conditioner

Shampoo

Our food parcels are made up of specific food groups so that those in need have enough food for at least nine meals.

The list above shows what we are in need of as we currently have good stocks of pasta, pasta sauce, biscuits, rice, fish, soup, baby food and cereals.

We also ask for small packs of food as larger packs do not fit in our parcels, making it difficult for our clients to carry home.

Thank you

We are grateful for your donations to the Braintree Area foodbank. However, we can only accept donations of freshly-bought, unopened and undamaged goods which are still well within their "use by" date (no less than 6 months). We cannot use items which do not meet these requirements, and the donation is wasted.

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RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

**Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love
for those who keep your covenant.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Man does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

**I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen**

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (B) Saturday 20th February Sunday 21st February	6.00pm	Ints Sharon & Colin Mussett Wedding Anniversary (Henriques & Mussett Family)
	9.00am	Joanna McLaughlin RIP (McLaughlin)
	11.00am	Peter & Cis Hanlon RIP (Maureen Pannell)
Monday 22nd February THE CHAIR OF ST PETER, Ap	No Mass	
Tuesday 23rd February	9.30am	Patrick J. Paul RIP (Paul)
Wednesday 24th February	9.30am	Wendy Cole RIP (Boyce)
Thursday 25th February	No Mass	
Friday 26th February (Lent Fast Day)	9.30am	Ints Norma Henriques, Sharon Mussett & Family
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B) Saturday 27th February Sunday 28th February	6.00pm	Florence Smith RIP (Baker)
	9.00am	Charles Baglin RIP (A) (Baglin)
	11.00am	Jamie O'Connor RIP (Margaret Farleigh (O'Connor))

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