

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

Parish News

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

6th/7th March

The “Road Map” out of Covid-19

We are still receiving details from the Government and the Bishops’ Conference, but the key elements are:

Current restrictions will remain in place for Holy Week and Easter; we are waiting to hear from the Bishop’s Office for more information and these details will very soon be published in the newsletter.

Baptisms will be possible from 17th May, with up to 30 guests, and we will be in touch in the next few weeks with those families who have let us know that they have children awaiting Baptism, to begin to arrange dates.

First Holy Communion and Confirmations: As soon as we have an update on when the children and young people can continue with their preparations; we will give further information in the newsletter.

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

SICK PARISHIONERS: Please pray for all who are sick in our hospitals, our nursing homes and at home. For those who are anxious, bereaved or struggling in the Faith. May they experience the healing hands of Jesus through our prayerful actions and visits, including: 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: Stanislaw Sosler, Roy Drane, Elsa Luck, Beryl Kelly, Ernest Smoothy, Mary Humplotz, Marjorie Youngman, Pavel Sinka, George Ramsay, Frances Mills, Peter Dooley, Eugene Baliga and Marie Whillock. May they all rest in peace.

We pray for those who have been unable to gather for the Funeral of a loved one at this time.

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.

REPOSITORY: CARDS for St Patrick's Day, Mother's Day and EASTER Clare has kindly agreed to continue to sell cards and a selection of items from the Repository from her office. There are Mass cards and Sympathy cards, rosary beads and lots of assorted items. Should you require something in particular, we can order it for you.

Stella

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations Of The Cross will take place at 7.30pm each Friday during Lent; there is no need to book.

MASS STREAMING: Jamie Davey has kindly sent through the link for Mass on Sunday at 11.00am.

<https://youtu.be/b3GE1cJvHsY>

GIFT AID: The Gift Aid envelopes for the 2021/22 tax year are now available at the back of the Church for those Parishioners who are already in the gift aid scheme. They are a little bit earlier than usual to allow you plenty of time to collect them.

If you are unable to get to the church to pick them up but still want to use them at some time, then you can email the office at:

braintree@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Alternatively, leave a note at the presbytery, or call Chris Dayer directly (07925361023) and we will arrange to get them to you.

If you donate by standing order, then your box is also there containing envelopes for the **second collection and special donation envelopes**.

The first Sunday of the new tax year is **Easter Sunday which is our personal donation to Fr. David**. If you have any queries or questions then you can also call Chris Dayer directly on the above number.

If you are a tax payer and not yet in the scheme yet and would like to join, then also let Chris know.

100 CLUB: Congratulations to our February winners:

First Prize (£200) Bernadette McNulty. Second Prize (£50) Agnes Hughes. Just to clarify, each month we receive £500 from the 100 members who each pay £5 per month. £250 is given out in prize money and £250 is retained, by the parish, for church funds. If you would like to join the Club, please contact Clare in the parish office. Thank you for your continuing support and congratulations to all our winners so far.

To help people like Abdella
Text LENT to 70460

to donate £10 to CAFOD's Lent Appeal

Or visit cafod.org.uk/give



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DAILY PRAYER

Many Church leaders are urging us to take time each day to pray for those who have died, the sick and isolated and for the end of the pandemic. While some suggest a given time why not decide on a time to suit you and your family? Light a candle and offer up a prayer for these Intentions and your own family's needs. One of the three pillars of Lent is to make time for prayer more frequently.





Easter Eggs for the Foodbank

In addition to the normal – and wonderful – Foodbank donations of all the essential items, keeping some families going in very tough times, this would also be a moment to consider donating Easter Eggs, as these will form part of special food parcels in the weeks ahead.

Every time the church is open for Mass, donations can be left for the foodbank; they can also be brought to the presbytery at any time (but please phone ahead first, to be sure someone is in).

All donations are welcome.

BCYS Sponsored Sleepout 2021

Join us in “giving” rather than “giving up” this Lent, by taking part in a diocesan wide Sponsored Sleepout on 26th March, led (virtually) from Walsingham House at Abbotswick. – join us from your garden, with just a sleeping bag and mat or cardboard boxes to sleep on or under! No tents allowed, whatever the weather!

Challenge yourself with a sponsorship goal - from £10 - £100, or perhaps even more! – as all money raised will support local homeless charities, such as Anchor House, The NewWay Project, Basildon Emergency Night Shelter and Southend Night Shelter, as well the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service. If you are not able to take part, you can always support those who are by sponsoring them on our website! Sponsorship forms, online donations and further information can be found at www.bcys.net/events/sleepout2021 and if you would like to take part or have any more questions, please email: **gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org**.



RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord,
whoever believes in me will never die.

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

**Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.**

LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B) Saturday 6th March	6.00pm	Theresa Streeting RIP (Streeting)
	Sunday 7th March 9.00am 11.00am	Jeanette Abou-Jaoude RIP (Crush) Alan Doleman RIP (A) (Doleman)
Monday 8th March	No Mass	
Tuesday 9th March	9.30am	Ints Renee, Junior, Patrick, Siene & Family
Wednesday 10th March	9.30am	Francis Dornan RIP (A) (Paul)
Thursday 11th March	No Mass	
Friday 12th March Stations Of The Cross	9.30am 7.30pm	Jeanette Abou-Jaoude RIP (Paul)
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (B) Saturday 13th March	6.00pm	Ints Bernadette McNulty (Baker)
	Sunday 14th March 9.00am 11.00am	Jeanette Abou-Jaoude RIP (Marry & Hanah) Fr Lloyd Riberio RIP (Coyle)

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