

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

Parish News

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MASS LINK

<https://youtu.be/FtVQSQObOdA>

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

15th May 2021/16th May 2021

World Communications 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 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, Graham Manning, David Felstead, Fr Martin Nott and Shirley McGregor.

ANNIVERSARIES: Adam Kodz, Peter Fitzsimmons, Rose Donlon, Zara Gill, Sheila Alabaster, Alan Ellis, Dympna Patten, Maureen Trott, Cyril Swift, David Kershaw, Barbara Rees-Gant, Christine Cornelius, Patrick O'Donnell and Basil John Butler. **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. To date we have raised **£551.98 towards our hosts and wine.**

GIFT AID: The envelopes for the new tax year are at the back of the Church. **Will the parishioners who are already in the scheme please collect them as soon as possible. If you are unable to get to the Church but still wish to continue to donate through the Gift Aid Scheme, then give Chris Dayer a call on: **07925 361023** and we will get them to you.**

Our Parish has just received a refund of £13011 from the Inland Revenue for the tax that our Gift Aiders have paid on their donations in the 2020/21 tax year. This refund is especially welcome this year as donations to our Parish are lower because of the COVID restrictions.

CARE OF GOD'S CREATION: On Pentecost Sunday, we shall be hearing a Pastoral Letter from all our Bishops on the importance of caring for God's Creation. The Bishops take their theme from the line in the Psalms: *Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth* and will actually be the Response to the Psalm next weekend. As a way of preparing for Pentecost, the Bishops are asking us to pray a Novena during the coming week especially focussing on the importance for respecting and caring for the Environment. The details will be found at www.cbcew.org.uk/environment-novena/

NEW ST BON'S ALUMNI NETWORK: Open to all former students and staff of St Bonaventure's School in Forest Gate. Please join and spread the word - news, events and opportunities to give back: <https://www.stbons.org/alumni/>

PRAYERS: We hold in prayer the people of India, including family members and friends of parishioners, so desperately affected by Covid-19; we pray for medical teams, aid agencies and all of those, in so many parts of the world, battling waves of the virus without the medical facilities that we are privileged to have, here in Essex.

HELP AVAILABLE FROM THE SVP: As people have been shielding or not going out because of lockdown, the SVP are aware that some people may feel nervous about going out or coming back to Church. Lockdown has affected people in many ways, a lot of people feel anxious about going out and people who have not exercised outside (the elderly in particular) are more prone to falls. We would like to offer support for anyone that needs assistance, to help people to return to Church or help to return to other normal activities. This help may be having a lift to Church or walking with people to gain confidence to walk outside etc. You may just want to be accompanied for the first time you return to Church, or you may want this to be regular, the SVP are here to help.

If you would like help please contact us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SVPBraintree>, contact Jamie: jdavey98@yahoo.com or leave a message at the church office

Thank you.

Ruth

FOODBANK DONATIONS: The foodbank continues to be as busy as ever, and your donations are helping to feed families every week. It should not have to be like this – as we come out of the pandemic there will be fresh campaigns to ensure that families do not need to use foodbanks, and that we can end child poverty. For now, foodbanks are the lifeline for many in our local community. Thank you for any donations that you make.

Donations can be left whenever the church is open for Mass, and can also be left at the presbytery (please just ring ahead first to be sure someone is in).

Please see the June 2021 shopping list at the back of Church.

APF RED BOXES

Pauline Smith has very kindly agreed to take over the role of Parish Co-ordinator for the APF red boxes.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank Sandy Matthewman, who has been the co-ordinator for over 20 years, for all her hard work during this time.

Envelopes are available at the back of the Church to empty your boxes. Please return the envelopes to the Presbytery as soon as possible. Alternatively, Pauline is happy to collect the boxes from you; just let Clare know if you would like her to do so.

If you require a box, then please let Clare know at the presbytery and we will get one to you.

In England and Wales there are Red Boxes in over 200,000 homes and together we have collected millions of pounds for the missionary Church.

ROSARY FOR THIS MONTH: The Holy Father is asking all members of the Church to do something special during this month of May, a month especially associated with Our Lady. We are being asked to pray the Rosary to bring an end to the pandemic. Our Holy Father is asking us to pray for all those who have died from coronavirus and all those who have been seriously affected by it, as well as supporting with our prayers all medical staff who are engaged in the fight against covid and those who are working on vaccines and other ways of controlling the disease.

The Pope invites us to pray both in Church and at home. In our Parish, we are reciting a decade of the Rosary before every weekday Mass and I invite all parishioners to find their own way at home to join in this life-saving initiative.

Thank you. Fr David.

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

The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;

I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.

Alleluia!

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

<p>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) (World Communications Day)</p> <p>Saturday 15th May</p> <p>Sunday 16th May</p>	<p>6.00pm</p> <p>9.00am</p> <p>11.00am</p>	<p>Marion Simms RIP (Ann, Mark)</p> <p>Ints Josie Hill (Baker)</p> <p>Dorris Abram RIP (A) (Edwina Abram)</p>
<p>Monday 17th May</p>	<p>No Mass</p>	
<p>Tuesday 18th May</p>	<p>9.30am</p>	<p>Della Mather RIP (A) (Paul)</p>
<p>Wednesday 19th May</p>	<p>9.30am</p>	<p>Patrick McDermott RIP (Ann, Mark)</p>
<p>Thursday 20th May</p>	<p>No Mass</p>	
<p>Friday 21st May</p>	<p>9.30am</p>	<p>Theresa Streeting RIP (Ron Streeting)</p>
<p>PENTECOST SUNDAY (B) (Day of Prayer for the Church)</p> <p>Saturday 22nd May</p> <p>Sunday 23rd May</p>	<p>6.00pm</p> <p>9.00am</p> <p>11.00am</p>	<p>Sarah Lynch RIP (Davina Dinan)</p> <p>Ints Mike Mackay (Wallis)</p> <p>Dympna Patten RIP (A) (Higgins)</p>