OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE Parish News

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PENTECOST SUNDAY (B) 22nd May 2021/23rd May 2021 DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH



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

<u>SICK PARISHIONERS</u>: 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, Shirley McGregor and Peggy White.

ANNIVERSARIES: Ernest Smoothy, Nenry Nutton, Kevin Rathe, Fr John Timmins, Roy Crow, Margaret Planel, Hilda Klawinski, David Spencer-Watkins, Maria Conley, Ida McCartney, Sydney Saunders, Margaret Shelock, Mary Moran, Jack O'Keeffe, Victor Clancy, Teresa Hughes, Kay Bareham, Thomas Kerry and Rebecca Tayler. **May they all rest in peace.**

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.

<u>GIFT AID</u>: The Gift Aid Statements for the 2020/2021 tax year are now available. If you would like a copy, please contact Chris Dayer directly on: 07925 361023

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 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. **Parish Administrator Vacancy– Ongar:** A Parish Administrator is required to provide support to our Parish Office. The successful applicant will ideally be an administrator with substantial experience in office organisation. The applicant must be a good team player with excellent communication and Microsoft office skills, including Word and Excel and financial experience. It is important that all applicants are self-motivated, organised, can multi-task, work to deadlines, and use their own initiative within this role. 20 hours per week at £11 per hour . Closing date: **Friday 18th June 2021**. Please contact the parish office via email <u>ongar@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u> for a full job description and application details.

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 invite all parishioners to find their own way at home to join in this life-saving initiative.

Thank you. Fr David.

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 <u>https://www.facebook.com/SVPBraintree</u>, contact Jamie: <u>jdavey98@yahoo.com</u> or leave a message at the church office Thank you.

Ruth

<u>"Lourdes at Your Local"</u>

From Monday 26th - Friday 30th July, the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service will be hosting <u>"Lourdes at your Local</u>" for Summer 2021.

There will be a Mass celebrated each morning at 11am, with Anointing of the Sick and joyful music, followed by a cup of coffee and refreshments in the parish hall afterwards. These will then be streamed online each evening, and there will also be a Daily Rosary, Torchlight Procession and Talent Show available to take part in virtually during the week.

The Masses will take place in Leigh-on-Sea, Clacton-on-Sea, Canning Town, Wanstead and Brentwood to which you are warmly invited to join us. Further details and a full itinerary are available on our website <u>www.bcys.net/events</u>.

If any young adults in your Parish, currently in school Year 13 or above (approx. age 18-28) wish to attend, we will also be hosting "Lourdes on the Lawn" from 12pm – 4pm on Saturday 31st July where we will celebrate Mass together with Bishop Alan, and invite those attending to bring a picnic to enjoy in the grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION UPDATE

FHC group (2019/20) still waiting to complete the programme

Can we please ask parents to ensure their child has completed the "I Belong" book in readiness for when the Diocese allows us to use the Church hall for the final workshop.

A Saturday date will soon be announced in the newsletter for the children that still haven't received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Registration for children in the current Year 3 & above

Sessions will take place after school for the children who attend St Francis School. We hope to start these sessions after the May half-term and complete the programme by October half-term (obviously dependant on government guidelines) with Celebration Masses taking place before the start of Advent.

Parents of those children who are from the Parish but attend other schools are asked to contact Clare, the Parish Secretary in order to put their child's name down on the list for the current FHC programme. Commencement of the Parish group will of course be dependent on when the Diocese will allow us access to the Church hall.



Dear Children of the Parish

Sadly we have to take down the Easter pictures, but in its place we would like to have a wall of HOPE and LIGHT.

So our challenge to you is to draw a picture of what either word means to you.

Or if you prefer you could colour in either word as colourfully as you can.

We can't wait to see what you come up with

Clare and Jacqui



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

Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his love has no end.

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY (B) (Day of Prayer for the Church) Saturday 22nd May	6.00pm	Sarah Lynch RIP (Davina Dinan)
Sunday 23rd May	9.00am 11.00am	Ints Mike Mackay (Wallis) Dympna Patten RIP (A) (Higgins)
Monday 24th May Mary, Mother of the Church	No Mass	
Tuesday 25th May St Bede the Venerable, Pr, D	No Mass	
Wednesday 26th May St Phillip Neri, Pr	9.30am	Frances Dornan RIP (A) (Paul)
Thursday 27th May OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST	No Mass	
Friday 28th May	9.30am	Christopher Burgess RIP (Ann/Mark)
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (B)		
Saturday 29th May	6.00pm	Patrick Kissane RIP (Paul)
Sunday 30th May	9.00am 11.00am	Joseph Tabone & Menita RIP (Gower) Ints Tonia Dawson (Hughes)