

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

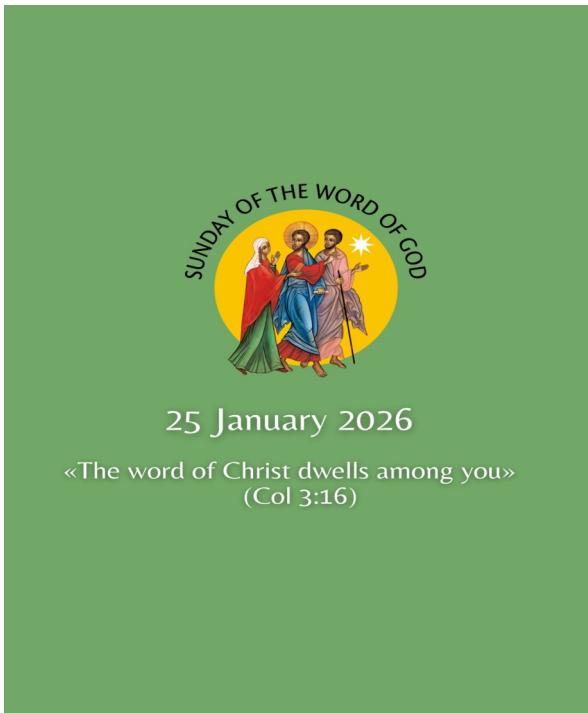
## Parish News

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**Saturday 24th January/ Sunday 25th January 2026**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**  
**(Sunday of the Word of God)**



**SICK PARISHIONERS:** We pray for the sick and housebound and those who have asked for our prayers: Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Kathy McBrierty, Kathleen Haigh, Mary Rooney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Barbara Mansell, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, John Kisielowski, Peggy White, Janine Corbey, Bridget Finneral, Jordan Caulfield, Mary O'Keeffe, Kate Friedlein, Stephanie Price, Maria Caparco, Anne Bardell, Agnes Hughes, Mary Breadman, Martha Botelho, Peter McDonagh, Janet Boxall, Hazel Smith, Michael Blancs, Keith Flynn, Joseph Brady, Sara Reynolds, Sue Kelly, Toni & Steve Brady and family, Maureen Pannell, Rita Cuthbert and Kitty North.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Maggie Higgins, Denis Owen, Walter Barton, Peter Coleman, Anthony Bullock, Denis McIntyre, Melanie Harmer, Stephen Ratcliffe, Siobhan Ryan, Grace Hill, Peter O'Connor, Florence Costin, Rita Parker, Mary Natress, John Scott, George Price, Henry Casey, Elizabeth Barrett, Rose Hunt, Alfred Draper, William Featherstone, Mary Hanlon (Cissie), Eileen Davis, Denis Ahern, Robert Carter, Michael Gilmartin, Philomena Daly, Vena Edney and Andrew Garrett.

**May they rest in peace.**

**CONFESIONS AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament normally take place on Saturday between 10.30am and 11.30am. **There will be no Confessions or Exposition for the next two weeks at least.**

**FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS:** We are now in a position to share the funeral details for our dear Fr David. As a parish community, we prepare to commend him to the loving arms of God, and we give thanks for his life and his wonderful ministry among us.

The funeral details are as follows:

Tuesday, 27 January, 6pm: Reception of Fr David's body and Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Braintree.

Wednesday, 28 January, 11am: Requiem Mass at the Cathedral of St Mary and St Helen, Brentwood.

**Bishop Alan will preside at both Masses.**

**COACH TO BRENTWOOD ON WEDNESDAY FOR FR DAVID'S REQUIEM MASS:**

The Parish has organised a coach for Wednesday 28th January to take parishioners to Brentwood. The coach will pick up at 9.15am at Braintree Railway Station. The coach will then leave Brentwood at 2.30pm and return you to Braintree Railway Station. I will put a sheet at the back of Church from Saturday evening, if you wish to have a seat on the coach, please be sure to put your name and a contact telephone number on there. We are restricted to 57 seats. There won't be a specific charge, but we would welcome discretionary donations towards the cost.

**CRIB COLLECTION FOR BCCS:** The Crib collection will be ongoing until 2nd February. Please give generously for The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. The box can be found by the statue of Our Lady.  
Thank you.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a second collection next weekend for Racial Justice. Gift Aiders, please use your second collection envelopes.  
Thank you for your generosity.

**VACANCIES:**

**Headteacher – The Bishops' Church of England and Catholic School, Chelmsford**

Deadline for applications: 12 noon 16/1/26. Start date 1/09/26

**Headteacher - St Francis Primary School, Braintree**

Deadline for applications: 23:59 Sunday 1st February 2026

**Please see Diocesan Website for more details.**

**JOIN CAFOD TO FIND OUT ABOUT OUR WORK IN UKRAINE AND THE 2026 LENT FAST DAY APPEAL:**

**Josie O'Reilly will talk about CAFOD's Ukraine Emergency Programme  
Jane Crone from CAFOD in Brentwood will talk about the Lent Appeal**  
**On:** Saturday 14 February 2026

**Time:** Coffee from 10.45 am, starting at 11 am, finishing around 1pm.

**At:** The Beckett Centre St Thomas of Canterbury Church 557-559 High Rd, Woodford, Woodford Green IG8 0SG *plenty of parking.*

**All Welcome**

**JUBILEE HALL:** It was decided at the last Finance Meeting that Jacqui Leech will be responsible for the day to day running and booking of the Jubilee Hall. For bookings, please continue to contact the Presbytery on 01376 326779 or ideally, please email: [braintree@brcdt.org](mailto:braintree@brcdt.org). The committee would like to thank Jacqui for agreeing to take this on.

**MISSIO:** After almost six years of co-ordinating our MISSIO donations, Pauline Smith has decided to step down. We would be grateful if somebody else in the Parish were able to come forward and volunteer for this important role. We want to thank Pauline for all her hard work and dedication during the time she was our MISSIO representative.

**2 BEDROOM FLAT TO RENT:** One of our parishioners has a two bedroom flat available to rent at £950.00 per month. Please contact Clare in the office if you are interested.

## LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

<b>THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (Sunday of the Word of God)</b> Saturday 24th January  Sunday 25th January	6.00pm	Dermot Maher RIP (Josie Baker)
	9.00am	Kazimiero and Krynstyna Niemiec RIP (Anna Kizlo)
	11.00am	Gertrude Ruth Murphy RIP (Diana) & Tim Cheung RIP (A) (Justina Cheung)
Monday 26th January <b>St Timothy &amp; Titus, Bpp</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tuesday 27th January	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Reception of Fr David's body and Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace, Braintree.</b>
Wednesday 28th January <b>St Thomas Aquinas, Pr D</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass at the Cathedral of St Mary and St Helen, Brentwood.</b>
Thursday 29th January	<b>No Mass</b>	
Friday 30th January	<b>No Mass</b>	
<b>The Masses below are still to be confirmed.</b>		
<b>FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (Racial Justice Day)</b> Saturday 31st January  Sunday 1st February	6.00pm	Kathy Mohan RIP (Mohan) & Ints Rosaleen Drugan (Digby) & Michael Gilmartin RIP (A) & Mr John Throck RIP
	9.00am	Fr David RIP (Parishioner's of OLQP)
	11.00am	Thanksgiving for Fr Paul (Parishioner's of OLQP) & Ints Siene, Jude, Marie and Family