

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

## Parish News

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### Saturday 30th May/ Sunday 31st May 2026 **THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A) (DAY FOR LIFE)**

Dear brothers and sisters,

As we move from Eastertide into Ordinary Time this year, you will notice that our parish Mass books have now changed. This marks the beginning of our parish introduction of the new Lectionary, now in use across England and Wales, using readings based on the English Standard Version Catholic Edition of the Bible.

Although many of the changes are quite subtle, the new translation, which is made directly from the original Hebrew and Greek, aims to bring us closer to the original biblical texts. Over the coming months we will all gradually become familiar with some slightly different wording and phrasing, and I hope this may even help us hear certain passages with fresh ears and renewed attention. Thank you, as always, for your patience and support as we make this transition together.

A number of people have asked recently whether there is any news regarding the appointment of a new Parish Priest. At present, I'm afraid there is no substantive update to share, though I do remain in regular contact with Bishop Alan. As no immediate appointment has been made, our parish is now going to be part of the annual Diocesan appointments process. Priestly appointments are normally agreed privately by an appointments panel in late June, before being announced publicly. To allow priests time to prepare for what is a significant change in their personal circumstances, new appointments then usually begin in September. Should there be any news to share before then, of course I will let the parish know as soon as possible.

Finally, Anna and I would like to thank everyone for the kindness, encouragement, and support you have shown over recent months. Since Christmas, parish life has inevitably brought additional responsibilities and demands, and next week I will be taking a few days away to rest and recharge. As a result, there will be no weekday Services of Word and Communion on Wednesday and Friday next week. The usual weekday schedule will resume on Wednesday 10th at the normal time. Weekend Masses and services will continue as usual.

Thank you again for your continued prayers, patience, and support for our parish community.

**Deacon Jamie**

**PRAYER LIST: We pray for the sick and housebound and those who have asked for our prayers:**

Gwen Rushton, Elvira Kitteridge, Mary Rooney, Isaac Barry, Peter Beard, Barbara Mansell, Mary Delaney, Frances Weaver, Rachel Stokes, John Martin, Marie Evenett, Terrance Evenett, John Kisielowski, 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, Joseph Brady, Sara Reynolds, Sue Kelly, Toni & Steve Brady and family, Maureen Pannell, Rita Cuthbert, Tim Monaghan, Mark Smith, Kerry Norton, Mary Elizabeth West and Betty Sheehan.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Kevin Rathe, Fr John Timmins, Mary Derriman, Roy Crow, Margaret Planel, Dee Hardy, 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, Rebecca Tayler and Grace Coombs.

**May they rest in peace.**

**THANK YOU:** Our Parish Fish & Chips Lunch held on 15 May was a great success and we managed to raise a total of £820.00 for the St John Bosco Children's Camp, which will help sponsor 4 children, who otherwise would not have a holiday.

A big heartfelt thank you to all parishioners for your kindness and generosity, who supported the event by attending, making donations, purchasing raffle tickets and helping out on the day.

**THE LEGACY OF ST FRANCIS:**

A fully edited version of the recent talk given by Fr Alban McCoy OFM Conv to mark eight hundred years since the death of St Francis of Assisi is now available free of charge from the home page of [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org) The talk was given at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

**CONFESSIONS : Confessions will be heard at 5.00pm on Saturday evening this coming weekend.**

**Parish Administrator for the linked parishes of Our Lady Immaculate, Holy Name and St Augustine – Chelmsford**

A vacancy has arisen for a Parish Administrator, with financial experience, to provide administrative and financial support to the Parish Office by implementing and maintaining office systems, processes and procedures and delivering a welcoming, appropriate service to those attending the parish office. The role will be based at Rochester House, 145 New London Road, Chelmsford, CM2 0QT.

The post will be full time working 35 hours per week, Monday to Friday.

The salary is £14.50 per hour

The full job description is available on our website

[www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us)

The closing date for applications is 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026 and we will then invite suitable applicants to interview.

If you have any queries or if you would like to apply, please send your CV and/or completed application form to [office@chelmsfordcatholic.co.uk](mailto:office@chelmsfordcatholic.co.uk) or by post to Rochester House, New London Road, Chelmsford, CM2 0DT.

**TRUSTEE NEEDED:**

The Rosary Trust is a small Catholic Multi Academy Trust based in Colchester. We have seven primary schools across Clacton, Dovercourt, Colchester, Witham and Chelmsford. We meet six times a year as a trust board for about two hours in the morning. If you could volunteer your time to work with our friendly board, please email us on [office@st-thomasmores.essex.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-thomasmores.essex.sch.uk)

No particular skills are required, just a genuine interest in education in our Catholic schools, but if you can offer knowledge of finance, HR or H&S that would be even better!

We look forward to hearing from you.

## LITURGY LIST THIS WEEK

<p><b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A) (DAY FOR LIFE)</b></p> <p>Saturday 30th May</p> <p>Sunday 31st May</p>	<p><b>6.00pm Mass</b></p> <p><b>9.00am Mass</b></p> <p><b>11.00am Mass</b></p>	<p>Josephine Mary Paul RIP (A) (Bill) &amp; Christopher Burgess RIP (B'day) (Ann &amp; Mark)</p> <p>Michael McNamara RIP (Warren)</p> <p>Dee Hardy RIP (Hardy)</p>
<p>Monday 1st June <b>DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ST HELEN, BRENTWOOD</b></p>	<p><b>No Mass</b></p>	
<p>Tuesday 2nd June</p> <p><b>The Rosary</b></p>	<p><b>No Mass</b></p> <p><b>10.00am</b></p>	
<p>Wednesday 3rd June <b>St Charles Lwanga and Comps, Mm M</b></p>	<p><b>No Mass</b></p>	
<p>Thursday 4th June</p>	<p><b>No Mass</b></p>	
<p>Friday 5th June St Boniface, Bp, M</p>	<p><b>No Mass</b></p>	
<p><b>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (A) (CORPUS CHRISTI)</b></p> <p>Saturday 6th June</p> <p>Sunday 7th June</p>	<p><b>6.00pm Mass</b></p> <p><b>9.00am Mass</b></p> <p><b>11.00am Mass</b></p>	<p>Kay McHenry RIP (A) (Bill Paul) &amp; Haydn Bates RIP (A) (Judy)</p> <p>People of The Parish</p> <p>Maria Marshado RIP (Coyle) &amp; Ints Matthew Ward and Fiona Hutchinson (Wedding Celebration) (Ward)</p>