

MASS TIMES

Sat 16th December

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sun 17th December

(StD) 9am:

(MHR) 11am:

Mon 18th December

(MHR) 9.30am:

Tues 19th December

(StD) 9.30am:

Wed 20th December

(MHR) 9.30 am:

Thurs 21st December

(StD) 9.30am:

Fri 22nd December

(MHR) 9.30am:

Sat 23rd December

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sun 24th December

(StD) 9am:

(MHR) 11am:

(MHR) 5.00pm:

(MHR) 10.00pm

Morning Prayer : Before Mass 9.15am on Mon - Fri after Morning Mass Rosary (MHR) & Tues and Thurs after Morning Mass (StD) Confession: at MHR (by request)

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH AND HOUSEBOUND

Brian Angel, Jason Angel, Rita Bracher, Christine, Deborah DiMoriaku, Stacey Doyle, Mary Eckett, Sean Eckett, Louise Flores, G. Golding, Tania Kavanagh, Daniel Kelleher, Karen Kennedy, Billy Koseda, Luke, Madeleine, Charlotte Massey, Eileen McGeown, Graham McGeown, Geraldine McStravick, Susan Newman, Elsie Pridemore, Dee Skene, William Taylor, Tony Tyres, June Warrington, Eileen Lacey, Andrew White, Lynsey Mitchell, John Barry, Trish Connolly, Fran Manderson., Veronica & John Campling, Sarah Harding, Claire Monkcom, Andy & Doreen, Nadia Bolton, Donna McKeamey, Tina Perotti, Brenda White, Ann Carr, Janet O'Brien , Jacqueline Pears and Steve Stripe, Paul Singleton, Mary Boyle, Tom Green, Val Kelleher, Nicky Burgess, Eve Lawrence, Sue Edwards, Stephanie Bedding, Ken Page, Patrick Murray.

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME

Anthony Camelo, Joseph Synpas, Martin Kelly, Nellie Newman, William Hunt, Jim Morton, Lil Wells, Harry Stickles, Helena O'Connor, Nora Berrigan, Michael Waters. Fr. A. Madden. Eileen Brown, Ernest Callaghan, Eugene Riordan, Fr. William Guinevan, Maureen Barrow, Bridie Stanton, Anne Treacy, Peter McCormack, Ann Slater, William O'Connell, Hannie Greensmith, Frederick Carr, John Doherty, Joseph Vasey, Len Rider, Bishop Brian Foley, Elizabeth Warren.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

MASS INTENTION

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

"Gaudete Sunday"

People Of The Parish

Carol Ann Brooks RIP - Jason & Sam

Vocation to Priesthood & Religious Life KSC Romford

WEEK DAY OF ADVENT (B)

Carmel 1st Aniv RIP - Margaret, Eddie & Hannah

WEEK DAY OF ADVENT (B)

Bridie & Family - Margaret V.

WEEK DAY OF ADVENT (B)

NO MASS

WEEK DAY OF ADVENT (B)

Rita - Margaret V.

WEEK DAY OF ADVENT (B)

Ann Adams RIP & Joanne Elizabeth McCann RIP - Linda & Colin Miles

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)

People of The Parish

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (B)

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The Most Holy Redeemer Catholic Church and St Dominic's Catholic Church

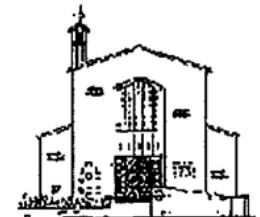


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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT [B]

Gaudete Sunday

17th December 2023

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11 **Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24** **Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28**



The nickname for this Third Sunday of Advent, is "Gaudete...Rejoice" . We can use rose coloured vestments today in imitation of the parallel Sunday during Lent, "Laetare...Rejoice". Today we have a slight relaxation of our penitential spirit as we prepare for the celebration of Christmas. Advent is a season of joyful penance.

Advent is a time of joy – joy in the waiting and this Sunday we wear the joyful rose-coloured vestment. The messenger in the first reading is the 'joyful messenger', and his joy is that God is near and God is coming. This would be the message of Jesus –that he was the joyful messenger of his Father's love. He would be the shepherd – the one who cares, knows and actively looks after the sheep. John the Baptist is the voice of joy and energy, preaching the new message.

CLEAN ALBS– Altar Servers take your Alb's home this weekend to be washed and ironed then returned for Christmas Celebration. Thank You for your continued support through out the year.

GRAND DRAW EXISTING MEMBERS - PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE PAID UP TO DATE. Thank you all for your continued support in our Holy Redeemer & St Dominic's Church Grand Draw. See Liz Hill.

BIG THANK YOU - To Margaret Musy for your kind donation towards the church flowers £50, and also too Lima Rose Lukose Vadakara and Jo Paul Pallikrunch for their generous donation of £100 to Candles and Flowers. Thank You all for your generosity.

BIG THANK YOU – Lynda Ezimoha for her sales of the delicious famous Chicken & Rice at the Christmas Market. Lynda donated £187.00. Thank You for your continued support.

REPOSITORY - Come and visit the repository at the back of the Church. We have in the shop Christmas Cards, Candles etc.. Just some of the items available at reasonable prices.

ST DOMINIC'S PRAYER GROUP– On Thursday evenings from 7.00pm to 8.00pm at St. Dominic's Parish Hall. Sr. Imelda will lead the prayer sessions. Please bring along your bible. Every one is welcome to join us for prayer and praise.

CRIB COLLECTIONS - In each of our Parish Churches at Christmas, a crib scene depicting the Nativity helps us to focus on the Incarnation of Christ and His love for the whole of humanity. Traditionally, a collection in aid of Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has been associated with these crib scenes. The collection will be donated to support for our diocesan children's charity. Thank you for your support.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE– On Friday 22nd December at 5pm. All families welcome at The Most Holy Redeemer' Church main hall called St. Georges Hall. Would you please bring food for the local food bank. See Theresa for further information.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS–On Saturday 23rd December at 11.30am. Come and help prepare the Church (MHR) for Christmas celebration. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS VIGIL CHILDREN'S MASS - On Sunday 24th December at 5PM. All children are most welcome to come along to this particular Mass dressed in Nativity costumes, Angels and Christmas jumpers of all kinds to add to our celebration.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS– Twice a year at Christmas and Easter time the Offertory collection is your personal gift to Fr. Joseph. The donation given forms a major part of his remuneration for the year.

NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS - Nine Lessons and Carols at Brentwood Cathedral. With Bishop Alan and the Cathedral Choir at 4pm on Sunday 17th December. A beautiful, uplifting service in word and music.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE - There will be an Advent reconciliation service at 7.30pm on Monday 18th December at Brentwood Cathedral. There will be the opportunity of individual Confession during this service, with Several Priests available to hear Confessions through out the Cathedral. The exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be available to assist and help with personal and private prayer. An ideal way to prepare for Christmas.

HELP AND ADVICE FROM HAVERING - Havering recognises that as the cost of living continues to rise across the country, our residents are going to be feeling the pinch this winter. The Council's new [cost of living online hub](#) brings together all of the support available to residents – from financial help with food and energy bills to free school holiday meals and mental health. The website contains links to the Havering Helps assistance scheme, details of warm spaces, council tax support, debt management services, energy grants, food banks and community hubs, as well as online benefits calculators so residents can be sure they're receiving all the support they are entitled to.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A PRIEST ?. There is a monthly vocations group to help those who would like to find out more about a possible Vocation to the Priesthood. There will be a talk, a time of prayer and some food. The sessions take place at Brentwood Cathedral of St. Mary & St. Helen, Ingrave Road, Brentwood, CM15 8AT. Tuesday 6th Feb, Tuesday 5th Mar, Tuesday 9th Apr, Tuesday 7th May, Tuesday 4th June. If you would like to join us or to find out more, please get in touch with the VocationsPromoter, Fr.MarkSwires: vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org, www.BrentwoodVocations.org

ST VINCENT DE PAUL -The SVP are looking for volunteers willing to help children put their faith into action. Could this be you? The St Vincent de Paul Society have primary school groups called Mini Vinnies, and volunteers would support teachers or youth leaders wishing to start a group in their school or parish. They will talk to children about how they can make a difference to those living in poverty and share resources to support the group. The role is flexible but does need people with some availability during school hours (at least 2 mornings or afternoons per month) who are willing to travel within the diocese (all costs are covered). If you are passionate about helping children discover how they can make a difference in their communities, please email Sarah for more information on youngvincentians@svp.org.uk. You do not have to have previous experience of working with children as all training will be given. Our next initial training day is on Tuesday 27th February 2024.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass for Children & Families:

Sun 24th at **5.00pm** (MHR)

Sing - a -Long Christmas Carols:

Sun 24th at **10.00pm** (MHR)

followed by **Midnight Mass**

Christmas Day Masses:

Mon 25th Dec at **9am** (STD) and **11am** (MHR)

St Stephen, The First Martyr:

Tues 26th Dec at **10.00am** (STD)

St John, Ap, Evangelist:

Wednesday 27th Dec at **10.00am** (MHR)

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Thursday 28th Dec at **10.00am** (STD)

St. Thomas Becket Bishop, Martyr

Fri 29th Dec at **10.00am** (MHR)

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Masses

Sat 30th Dec 6.30pm, (MHR) Sun 9am (STD) and 11am (MHR)

LOTTERY BONUS BALL

Wed 13th December 2023 Bonus Ball No: 57 ' Joe Fernandes ' £25
Congratulations to winners and thank you for supporting your Parishes.