

MASS TIMES AND MASS INTENTIONS
20th-28th January 2024

Sat 20th January MHR) 6.30pm:	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES (B) Jason Angel-Sam, Charlotte, James, Amy
Sun 21st January (StD) 9am: (MHR) 11am:	Raphael Anah Healing People Of The Parish
Mon 22nd January (MHR) 9.30am:	FERIA Ryan Musy RIP Birthday- Margaret, Eddie & Hannah
Tues 23rd January (StD) 9.30am:	FERIA David Lamb RIP-Aara Purkis
Wed 24th January (MHR) 9.30 am:	ST FRANCIS de SALES, BP, D NO MASS
Thurs 25th January (StD) 9.30am:	THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, Ap Veronica Terrington 90th Birthday - Maragret & Bridie
Fri 26th January (MHR) 9.30am:	Ss TIMOTHY & TITUS, Bpp Agnes Fraser RIP - F/M
Sat 27th January (MHR) 6.30pm:	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES (B) People of The Parish
Sun 28th January (StD) 9am: (MHR) 11am:	Lynda Ezimoha & Family Patrick Gallagher RIP - Paula Jones

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 Kosedo, 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 McKearney, 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

James Doherty, Elizabeth Maltby, Elisa McGregor, Mary Smith, Bishop Bernard Ward, Pierre Giordmaina, Grandad Mr Harrington, Denis Daly, Fr. Christopher Quirke, Kathleen Frances Long, Rita Hennessy, Herbert Frankson, Ann Constable, Bishop Arthur Doubleday, Isabella Boughan, Frank Martin Bearpark, Margaret Talbot, William George McLennan, Fr. John O'Sullivan, Fr. John Hibbert, James Dunne, Ann Slater, Clary Mansfield, Loreta Gallese, Maureen Neville, Yvonne Dignum, Bishop Patrick Casey, Brother Edmund (Walter), Arthur Osborne, James Barnes, Fr. Arthur Perrot Field, Michael Meehan.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

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

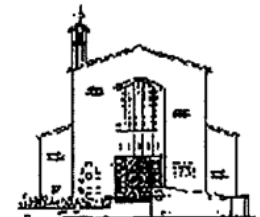


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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES (B)

21st January 2024

First Reading: Jonah 3:1- 5,10 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

Making a decision at some point in our lives doesn't always mean that the case is comfortably closed. Sometimes we have second thoughts, get cold feet. Our sense of what is important may change or, as seems to have happened to the Corinthians in our Second Reading, we get distracted and caught up in everyday cares and anxieties.

These ambiguities are part of human nature and always have been. Our First Reading today deals with one of the Bible's most reluctant prophets. Jonah, having sought escape from God's call all the way to the belly of a whale, finally agrees to do what God asks and preach conversion to the people of Nineveh. His efforts are rewarded. The Ninevites believe, repent and in doing so, are spared. Paul's letter to the people of Corinth is a sort of echo of Jonah - time is short. We are called to live a good life, a holy life. Get things in perspective, hold things in proportion. But this call to conversion and discipleship comes at a price.

The Gospel this week again centres on the attractive presence of Jesus. It opens with the information that John the Baptist has been arrested. Having seen what happened to his cousin he must realise that he faces the same authorities. This makes Jesus' work urgent. His call is 'The time has come and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' He proceeds to call Simon and his brother Andrew, and James and John, the sons of Zebedee. These men followed him. Something about Jesus drew them away from the comfortable and the familiar to answer his challenge. He invites them to change from fishermen to fishers of men.

CRIB OFFERINGS - As is our custom in this diocese – our offerings made at the Crib go to support the work of the Brentwood Catholic Children’s Society. Many thanks to those who have donated to the crib offerings so far. The Crib will remain in place until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) on **Tuesday 2 February**.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES - The First Holy Communion Classes will begin this Thursday 25th January from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in St. Georges hall at the Most Holy Redeemer Church.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION - The total Collected for Pax Christi on Sunday 14th January was **£46.44**. MHR raised **£37.44** and Std raised **£9.00**. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION - There will be a second collection on next Sunday 28th January for Racial Justice after all Masses. Thank You for your continued support.

OFFERING TO THE PARISH BY STANDING ORDER: Thank you very much for your continued support of the parish. If you wish to switch your weekly Sunday collection from your weekly envelope to a Standing Order, this is very simple. Please provide your bank with the following details:

The Parish Bank details **Most Holy Redeemer** are as follows:

Account Name: Catholic Church Harold Hill- **Most Holy Redeemer**

Sort Code: 40-13-22

Account number: 71018957

The Parish Bank details **St Dominic** are as follows:

Account Name: Catholic Church Harold Hill- **St Dominic**

Sort Code: 40-13-22

Account number: 51019082

This is a reliable way to contribute to the Parish, and we are very grateful to all those who have arranged Standing Orders. Offering can always drop into the presbytery. Thank you for supporting your parish in these difficult times.

GIFT AID is a tremendous way for any taxpayer (including pensioners who pay tax) to support the parish. It is simple: you complete just one form (located at the back of the church), and after that 25% of whatever you give is added to your donation.

If you have a gift aid number, please use that as a reference when you make your donation. Any donations are very gratefully received.

UNWANTED CHRISTMAS GIFTS - A box will be placed at the back of the Parishes for unwanted Christmas gifts. These gifts will be used for Raffle Prizes through out the year. Thank You for your continued support.

MASS INTENTIONS - Please remember to allow plenty of notice if you require a particular **date/time**. Place Mass Intentions in a **CLEARLY PRINTED** marked envelope and they will be dealt with by the Parish Administrator.

MANY BLESSINGS & CONGRATULATIONS to Fr Joe Farrell, formerly Parish Priest at English Martyrs Hornchurch, and now resident in Elm Park, and Fr Adrian Graffy, Parish Priest in our neighbouring parish of Christ the Eternal High Priest, who each celebrate their Golden Jubilee of Priesthood in these weeks – Fr Joe last Friday, 19th January, and Fr Adrian on Friday 2nd February.

PRIEST VOCATION 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. The first session takes place at Brentwood Cathedral on Tuesday 6th February. To find out more contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@brcdt.org

POLITE NOTICE - *Dear Parents/Guardians, please try to encourage your children to behave appropriately when in the Church not to scrawled or carved writings or drawing on the benches. Please respect Church property. Remember it's a place of worship and prayer, try to be respectful and considerate to others. For health and safety reasons small children must be supervised at all times especially when they go to toilet. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated. Thank you*

CHILD AND FAMILY COUNSELLING SERVICE - Brentwood Catholic Children’s Society (BCCS) offers therapeutic support directly to children, young people, families and parents through their Child and Family Counselling Service (CFCS) located in their centre in Billericay. Their CFCS team consists of several experienced and highly qualified therapists working in specially adapted therapy rooms. Families can contact BCCS directly by emailing Donna Booth dbooth@bccs.org.uk who will outline the type of support that will be provided for them or their child. There is a charge for this service, but they urge any families needing support to contact them. More information is available on their website: www.bccs.org.uk

BCYS YOUTH MASS – Thursday 1st February, 6pm at Brentwood Cathedral. Beginning with pizza & refreshments in the Parish Hall from 6pm, with a speaker from the SVP joining us to help prepare for the start of Lent. Youth Mass will then be celebrated in the Cathedral at 7:30pm. Absolutely everyone is welcome, please bring instruments, and sing, serve or read if you wish! No need to book, but do let us know if you have a group coming – just email info@bcys.net

YEAR 12 RETREAT – Friday 16th to Sunday 18th February “Life to the Full” - You are at a stage where you are about to start making decisions and dreaming about future plans. You might be at a stage where you are looking to explore your faith further and learn more about the role God plays within your life. This retreat will give you time to think, pray and chat with those in your year from across Essex and East London. There will be a mix of fun and games, along with times of reflection and personal prayer. For just £35, the cost will include meals, accommodation and youth-led formation. Apply now at www.bcys.net/events/yr12retreat/

BCYS SUMMER LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE – Last week of July 2024 (exact dates TBC)
Bookings are now open online for the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service pilgrimage to Lourdes in July. Serve the main Diocesan pilgrimage, assist the elderly and infirm, with times of retreat, reconciliation, visit the baths, take part in the beautiful Processions, as well as an afternoon in the mountains, party and social nights - all with other young Catholics from around our Diocese. The pilgrimage is open to all those in school year 10 – 13, with all those of school leaver age (18+) invited to join us as young leaders (subject to attending a training weekend). Further details www.bcys.net/events/sl24

A FIRE IN MY HEART - A CONVERSATION WITH BIBLICAL FRIENDS: On Saturday 3rd February from 11 am until 2 pm (coffee at 10.30 am), at the church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park (RM2 6DH), Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, will be in conversation with professor Nuria Calduch-Benages, secretary of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, and Carlos Castillo Mattasoglio, archbishop of Lima, Peru. The event coordinator is Fr Javier Ruiz-Ortiz, vice-rector of Allen Hall. The speakers will be present in-person, but this free event is also live-streamed on www.whatgoodnews.org. If attending in person please book your place at gideapark@brcdt.org. The event is under the auspices of the Catholic Biblical Association of Great Britain.

LOTTERY BONUS BALL

Wed 17th January 2024 Bonus Ball No: 35 : ‘Jonathon McGeary’ £25

Congratulations to winners and thank you for supporting your Parishes.