MASS TIMES AND MASS INTENTIONS

24th February - 3rd March 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B) (MHR) 6.30pm: Theresa - Margherita & James

Sun 25th February

(StD) 9am: People Of The Parish

(MHR) 11am: Kathleen Ward

Mon 26th February MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

(MHR) 9.30am: Ray Storrar RIP – Denise

Tues 27th February TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

(StD) 9.30am: Colin O'Brien RIP 1ST Aniv-Tim & Janet O'Brien

Wed 28th February WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

(STD) 9.30 am: No Mass

Thurs 29th February THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

(MHR) 11.00am: Funeral Mass of Ettore John Capocci RIP

Fri 1st March ST DAVID, Bp

(MHR) 9.30am: David Lamb RIP - Sheila Delander

(MHR) 10.00am: Stations Of The Cross

(MHR) 10.30am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

(STD) 7.00pm: Stations Of The Cross

Sat 2nd March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

(MHR) 6.30pm: Joanne Elizabeth McCann RIP 6th Aniv -

Linda, Colin, Christopher & Andrew.

<u>Sun 3rd March</u>

(StD) 9am: Raphael Anan Healing (MHR) 11am: People Of the Parish

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 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, Sheila Murphy.

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME

George Arthur John Kempshall, Canon Aloysius Roche, Betty Quinn, Elizabeth Buckley, Andy Morton, Patrick Joseph O'Shea, Josephine O'Higgins, John Murphy, Mgr. Jules Van Meehan,Fr. David Chapman, Catherine Greensmith, Albert Waller, Fr. John Wall, Charles Morgan, Mary Ellison, Maria Fackler, Pauline O'Reilly, Mrs Margaret Loughran, Mrs Myra Buckingham, Ronald Hastell, Frederick Walter Neville, Catherine Hallisey, Catharina Bolton, Frederick White, Frederick Nye, Joanne McCann, Ann Channon.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

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



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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

25th February 2024

First Reading: Genesis 22:1–2,9-13, 15-18 Second Reading: Romans 8:31-34 Gospel: Mark 9:2–10 Ten days ago we began the Season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. The imposition of ashes on our foreheads reminds us of three things; First, we are sinners and the ashes are a sign of our repentance, Secondly that God created us as mortal beings from nothing, dust, and that we will end our day's on earth be turning back to dust, and finally, and finally, as we look upon others with ashes we are reminded that we are not alone, we are part of a community that journeys together. Lent is the season for us to journey together and examine our lives and our relationship with God so as to make the decision to restore or improve our relationship that relationship. We make this journey individually and with the community always keeping in mind that God is with us as we journey to the place Jesus has prepared for us in the Father's house.

What are we journeying to? In the Gospel we are given a glimpse of our destination, the Glory of God's presence. Peter, James and John were led up to the mountain where they were privileged to see Jesus Transfigured and to hear the voice of the Father. It was an experience so magnificent that it was difficult for them to understand. They were astonished and terrified. They really didn't know what to think or how to process their feelings, but in the end the voice of the Father and the presence of Jesus gave them peace. Jesus told them not to tell anyone until he had Risen. We are told that Peter, James and John kept this to themselves and it wasn't until after the resurrection that they began to understand, and told of this amazing encounter.

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HEARTFELT GRATITUDE – Cllr Paul McGeary of Gooshays Ward, Daniel Hadrava and the Heating Companies involved Stonegrove, K&T Heating and Mears. I wanted to express my heartfelt gratitude for swiftly addressing the heating issues in the hall. Your prompt action and dedication to resolving the problem are truly appreciated. Thanks to your efforts, the hall is now comfortable and welcoming for everyone. Your commitment to our Parish Community does not go unnoticed and we are incredibly grateful for your outstanding service and support. *Fr Joseph Tan*.

FRIDAY'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS - There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday at MHR after 9.30am Mass. Every Friday evenings at St. Dominic's Church at 7pm there will be Stations of the Cross led by Sr. Imelda and Sr. Evelyn. All are Welcome.

<u>ST DOMINIC'S PRAYER GROUP</u> - Will continue this Thursday as usual 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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES - FHC sessions will resume this Thursday 29th February.

GIRL'S CLUB - Girl's Club will re open this Friday.

 $\underline{\text{SVP MEETING}}$ - Our next meeting will be on $\underline{\text{Monday 4th March}}$ in St. Dominic's small hall at 4.30pm . Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

<u>PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP</u> Come along to find comfort, support and understanding at our welcoming and informal bereavement support group led by Sheila Delander and Liz Hill. We invite you to join us as we navigate through grief together. Our first meeting will be held on <u>Wednesday 6th March</u>, at <u>2pm</u> in St. Anthony's Hall at the Most Holy Redeemer Church. There will be subsequent meetings scheduled for the 1st Wednesday of every month. **You're not alone on this journey**.! All are welcome. Tea/Coffee and Cake will be provided.

EASTER RAFFLE PRIZES - We are looking for donations of Easter Eggs, Cuddly Rabbits, and Raffle Prizes. See Theresa for further information. Thank You for continued support.

EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS – Tickets on sale this **Saturday**, £1 a strip. Draw to take place on Easter Sunday. See Theresa for tickets.

<u>GOOD FRIDAY CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u> - First Holy Communion children and families to join us for the Stations of the Cross for children on <u>Good Friday 29th March</u>. This solemn and meaningful tradition is a special way to reflect on the journey of Jesus to his Crucifixion and Death. <u>Please arrive by 10.15am</u>. This will be followed by refreshments with arts and crafts in the Parish Hall.

EASTER SUNDAY 31ST MARCH – Come along and join us on Easter Sunday after 11am Mass. Coffee morning will be available and also an Easter Raffle will be drawn. There will be activities for the children Easter Bonnets and Games at the Most Holy Redeemer. See Theresa if you are available to help. All are Welcome.

RECENT DEATH — Ettore John Capocci RIP, aged 88 years of Colne Drive, Harold Hill sadly passed away at Queens Hospital on Tuesday 6th February . His Requiem Mass will be held at Most Holy Redeemer Church this Thursday 29th February at 11am followed by burial at Upminster Cemetery at 12.30 pm. May he rest in peace. Please remember Angela and his family and friends in your prayers.

RECENT DEATH – Fr John Taylor , sadly passed away at St. Michael's Care Home Clacton on Tuesday 20th February . He was Parish Priest at Romford from 1979-1990 and latterly at Upminster until his retirement in 2011. Fr. John Taylor Funeral Arrangements to follow. May he rest in peace.

<u>VACANCY HOUSE KEEPER ONGAR</u> - The successful applicant will prepare meals for the Parish Priest and effectively manage the routine cleaning of the Presbytery to ensure that it provides a comfortable living space for the Parish priest. Hours: 6 Hours per week Salary: £10.90 per hour Start Date: ASAP. Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) to hr@brcdt.org. Closing date for applications is 15th March 2024.

ST JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH ILFORD - 40 HOURS DEVOTION. 40 hours of Continuous Eucharistic Adoration during Lent (night and day except during Mass) will take place on the weekend of 16-17 March at St John Vianney Catholic Church, 1 Stoneleigh Road, Clayhall, Ilford IG5 0HE, starting with Mass of Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament at 7am on the Saturday and ending with Benediction at 11pm on the Sunday. All are welcome to take part in this very special devotion.

CONCERT FOR ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP: Come and enjoy an exciting variety show of music and entertainment, to raise money for the camp, which provides holidays for over 100 children. The camp is restarting in 2024, under the umbrella of Caritas Diocese of Brentwood. The fundraising concert is on Saturday 13th April 2024 - New Windmill Hall, Upminster. 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Wine and refreshments included. Adult tickets £10; children £5. Bookings by phone: 07957382592. Online bookings and more details: www.boscocamp.co.uk/events

SPRING CONCERT - **Havering Singers are performing**. Saturday 20th April 2024 at 7.30 pm.St Peter's Church, Gubbins Lane, Harold Wood RM3 0QA **Karl Jenkins - The Armed Man & John Rutter – Gloria** Ticket prices: £16 Adult, children under 11 free.

BCCS: Will be hosting a special Anniversary Afternoon Tea at the Roslin Beach Hotel, Thorpe Bay, Southend-on-Sea on Tuesday 23rd April 2024 at 1pm for service at 1.30pm. They are delighted that Bishop Alan, BCCS President, will be attending as guest of honour. Tickets for the event are £34.00 per person and should be purchased before Monday 8th April directly from their event webpage: www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events/ Once you have purchased your tickets, please advise Julie of any special dietary requirements or seating requests by contacting her by email jabbott@bccs.org.uk or call her on 07912 277413. Guests will be seated at tables of 12.

RETROUVAILLE— Do you need help in your marriage? Retrouvaille has helped many couples find new hope, nourishment and growth in their marriages. If you want to uncover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that brought you together and work through difficult times in your marriage contact Retrouvaille confidential for more information about our 2024 programmes. There is no group therapy or group work. Our next programme commences with a weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14-16 June 2024. Call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443, email retrouvaille.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

<u>DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES</u> - Summer 2024 Join Bishop Alan on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (Friday 19 – Friday 26 July). To book, please go online: Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangney Tours (tangney-tours.com) If you wish to discuss any aspect of the pilgrimage, please e-mail Kathryn Young: kathrynyoung@mail.com

VOLUNTEER AT THE ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP- from 27th July – 3rd August help give 100 children a holiday. Helpers must be 18+, and the Camp will arrange for a DBS check, and appropriate training. To help at the Bosco Camp is a wonderful experience, and now is the time to apply. Details: www.boscocamp.co.uk