

MASS TIMES AND MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 28th December - Sunday 5th January

Sat 28th December

(MHR) 6.30pm:

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (C)

People of The Parish

Sun 29th December

(StD) 9am:

Lynda Ezimoha & Family

(MHR) 11am:

Tina & Family Thanksgiving

Mon 30th December

(MHR) 9.30am:

6th DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

Maura Slater RIP- Joe & Josie

Tues 31st December

(StD) 9.30am:

7th DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

Theresa Intension- Amy Massey

Wed 1st January 2025

(MHR)9.30am:

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (C)

Dooley Family Intentions

Thurs 2nd January

(Std) 9.30am:

SS BASIL THE GREAT & GREGORY NAZIANZEN

James Brendan Kiernan- Pauline Daly

Fri 3rd January

(MHR) 9.30am:

FERIA OF CHRISTMAS TIME

Una and Roger Dean & Family- Joe & Josie

Sat 4 January

(MHR) 6.30pm:

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (C)

Michael Martin RIP- Charlotte Hunt

Sun 5th January

(StD) 9am:

People of the Parish

(MHR)11am:

Charlie Camelo RIP Annv- Tessa & Family

MORNING PRAYER : Before Mass 9.15am on Mon - Fri **ROSARY** : after Morning Mass Mon & Fri (MHR), after Morning Mass Tues and Thurs (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, Louise Flores, G. Golding, Tania Kavanagh, Daniel Kelleher, Karen Kennedy, Billy Koseda, Luke, Madeleine, Charlotte Massey, 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 Camppling, Sarah Harding, Claire Monkoom, 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, Sheila Murphy, Patricia Motha, Baby Emily, Hilda Leeward, Lydia Luke, Neil Humphries, Pat Humphries, Joseph Exley, Wayne Mead, Caitlin, C, Suzanne Bonelli, Elizabeth Yee, Margaret T, Francis and Shaun, Rose Louise McDonagh, Amie Hughes, Will Manderson, Baby Arthur Connolly, Bridget Gerakline Carr, Lily Bortoli.

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME.

Canon John Byrne, Robert Piggan, Hanah O'Riordan, Julia Denton-Cox, Mary McGrath Rutland, Andy McCormack, Julia Denton-Cox, Francis O'Brien, Fr. Brian Reeves, Reginald Napper, James Quinn, Mrs Winifred Carter, Mr Patrick Riehy, Andrew Manning, Catherine Spain, Joe Walsh, Kathleen Jarvis, Timmy Crowley, Mary Hedderman, Alf Saltman, Gladys Lyons, Catherine Moore, Edward Gough, Wilfred Nathan Rozier, Norma Russell, Regina Maria Lavall, Michael Doherty, Rose Redgrave, Edward John Lynn, Michael Hedderman, Bill Baker, Canon Patrick McKenna, Mary Piggan, Patrick Gorman, James Reilly, Vi Fitzgerald, Fr. Francis Heenan, Kathleen Mary Clayton, Charlie Camelo, Nora Moran.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

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

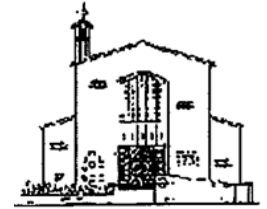


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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (C)

29th December 2024

First Reading: Sirach3:2-6,12-14 **Second Reading:** Col 3:12-21 **Gospel:** Luke 2:41-52



In a changing world, where the very notion of the family is under so much pressure, it is appropriate during the Christmas season to celebrate this feast. Some may ask, however, what can the image of Holy Family of Nazareth say to the modern world and to parents struggling in this climate of change? The women in today's readings teach us a timeless lesson about faith in action. Both Hannah and Mary knew the experience of hardship and rejection, yet in all the circumstances of their lives they put their trust in God and acted according to his word. The second reading reminds us that the most potent image of God's love is that of the parent for the child. We are the children of God and the place where we live that out first and foremost is in our families. Samuel and Jesus learned all about self-giving from their parents.

'Jesus, Mary and Joseph, help us in our family life.'

As we enter 2025 may this New Year bring you a peace filled life, warmth and togetherness in your family, health and much prosperity! "Happy New Year 2025"

DEAR PARISHIONERS

"I would like to thank you all for your kindness and support over the Christmas period. So many people have been involved in preparing The Church of the Most Holy Redeemer and St Dominic's Church for the great feast of Christmas. A small army of cleaners, flower arrangers, brass polishers, candle stand cleaners have all contributed to making the Churches look their very best.

Thank you to all who helped with the cribs, Christmas trees and the decoration of the Churches. Thanks to the Altar servers and helpers for making our celebrations run so smoothly and reverently.

Thank you to all Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, folk-group, guitarists and those who sung "Silent Night" in their own language English (Emily- altar server), Nigeria, Filipino, Zimbabwe, Chinese-Mandarin and Romania who helped to make our Christmas celebrations such a memorable, spiritual and so joyful occasion.

My Special thanks to Mrs K. Karwacinski, Stef, Kate, Steve, and who came to help and support me to provide us music and singing for the Midnight Mass.

BIG THANK YOU for all the Christmas offerings, cards with messages of support and gifts that you so generously gave to me. As 2025 is just around the corner may I take this opportunity to wish you all "A Happy, peaceful and Healthy New Year 2025."
From: Fr Joseph

COMING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS - A warm welcome to those who have come home to the parish for Christmas, especially young people from university, college and other places of work. We also welcome new visitors - whether you're just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, are returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church we're happy to have you here! If you are travelling to see family and friends have a safe journey.

NEW YEAR 2025 -Wednesday 1st January is the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God. We will have a Mass at 9.30am. The Epiphany will be celebrated on Sunday 5th January.

COFFEE MORNING Sunday 5th January after 11.00am Mass at The Most Holy Redeemer Church (St Anthony's Hall). Thank you to all children and parents who came to support Christingle and give generously food stuff for food bank . Theresa

THE NEW PARISH PARTNERSHIP YOUTH CO-ORDINATOR - Onosé, will speak at each of the Masses on the weekend of 11th and 12th Jan, with plenty on offer for young people in the weeks and months ahead.

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, the offerings made at the Crib go to support the work of the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. The Crib will remain in place from Christmas Eve until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) on Friday 2 February.

RECENT DEATH - Mr Terence Francis Joseph Burland RIP of Paines Brook Court, aged 92 years sadly passed away on Saturday 23rd November 2024. His Requiem Mass will be held at The Most Holy Redeemer Church on Monday 6th January 2025 at 10.30am followed by South Essex Crematorium Corbet's Tey for committal at 12.20pm. Please remember Terry and his family and friends in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

RECENT DEATH -Tony Bortoli age 92 sadly passed away at Brentwood Arches Care Home on 10th December 2014. His funeral will be held at Brentwood Cathedral, Ingrave Road, Brentwood, Essex CM15 8AT on Tuesday 7th January 2025 at 11am followed by Bentley Cemetery, Ongar Road, Pilgrim's Hatch, Brentwood, Essex CM15 9RZ. Please remember Tony and his family and friends in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP - Come along to find comfort, support and understanding at our welcoming and informal bereavement support group. Sheila Delander and Liz Hill will lead the group. We invite you to join us as we navigate through grief together. Meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of every month at 2pm in St. Anthony's Hall at the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill. All are welcome. Tea/Coffee and Cake will be provided.

THE NEW DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2025 is now available for purchase at the back of the Church. Price £3.20.

ISLAM STUDY DAY- In 2025 we mark sixty years since the promulgation of Nostra Aetate, the inter-faith document of Vatican II. We are delighted to welcome Sidra Naeem, distinguished teacher and chair of Havering Interfaith, who will speak about Islam. The talk will take place on Saturday 18th January 2025 from 11.00 (11.00 GMT) in the hall at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, in Gidea Park. The talk will also be available by livestream free of charge at www.whatgoodnews.org and will be available subsequently on the same website. The church is close to Gidea Park station (Elizabeth Line). Please bring a packed lunch. Coffee available from 10.30. Do join us.

THE DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE- led by Bp Alan, will be from Friday 18 July – Friday 25 July 2025. The flights will be Southend to Lourdes. Details, including how to book, will follow.

ST JOHN BOSCO - CAN YOU VOLUNTEER ? at the St John Bosco Children's Camp next summer? Applications are now open for anyone aged 17+ to volunteer for a week at the end of July 2025. From helping in the kitchen to running sports and other activities, your skills will mean that 100 children have a wonderful holiday. For most of the children, it is their only summer holiday. The Camp is a special work of Caritas Brentwood. More information - including training date and DBS requirements, along with volunteering FAQs - can all be found at www.boscocamp.co.uk. Applications for children to come to Camp will open in the spring.

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCIES - Vacancies for Foundation Governors have arisen at a number of Catholic schools across the Diocese and expressions of interest are being sought from practising, committed Catholics for this ministry. The term of office is for four years from the date of appointment. Foundation Governors are personally appointed by the Bishop to Diocesan schools to represent his interests and those of the Catholic community as a whole. Our schools would benefit from people with a range of skills and experiences including Finance, Education, Special Needs, Legal and Administration. Anyone interested in the role and mission of Foundation Governor should not be put off by a lack of experience. Appropriate training is available during the period of service. If you are interested in becoming Foundation Governor, please email your expression of interest to: governanceappointments@brcdt.org

WALSINGHAM HOUSE TEAM 2025/2026 - Applications are now open for the volunteer retreat team at Walsingham House. If you are in Yr13 or finishing university and enjoy working with young people, then a year on the retreat team could be the perfect next step. Live and work as part of a young Catholic Christian community, sharing your faith and helping to run retreats for the young people of Brentwood diocese. See the website for more information: www.bcys.net/whabbotswick/be-on-team/ or email clairebailey@brcdt.org

LOTTERY BONUS BALL

Wed 25th December 2024 Bonus Ball No: 31 Winner: "Tim O'Brien." £25
Congratulations to winner and thank you for supporting your Parishes