

MASS TIMES AND MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday 20th September - Sunday 28th September

Sat 20th September

TWENTY - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ©

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Bill, Margie Martin Anni Rip - Charlotte Hunt

Sun 21st September

(StD) 9am:

Vocation to Priesthood & Religious Life - KSC Romford(MHR)

11am:

People of the Parish

Mon 22nd September

FERIA

(MHR) 9.30am:

Michael (Neighbour) R.I.P. - Ann Carr

Tues 23rd September

ST PIUS of PIETRELCINA, Pr

(StD) 9.30am:

Olaymka Olatanji Taiwo Intentions

Wed 24th September

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

(MHR) 9.30am:

NO MORNING MASS

Thurs 25th September

FERIA

(StD) 9.30am:

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Fri 26th September

Ss COSMOS and DAMIAN, Mm

(MHR) 9.30am:

Holy Souls

(MHR) 10.00am:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession

Sat 27th September

TWENTY - SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ©

(MHR) 6.30pm:

People of the Parish

Sun 28th September

(StD) 9am:

Maria Pawlowska R.I.P. - Krisha & Kelvin

(MHR) 11am:

Michael O'Sullivan Anni R.I.P. - Dermot O'Sullivan

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 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, Sheila Murphy, Patricia Motha, Baby Emily, Hilda Leeward, Lydia Luke, Neil Humphries, Pat Humphries, Joseph Exley, Suzanne Bonelli, Elizabeth Yee, Margaret T, Francis and Shaun, Rose Louise McDonagh, Amie Hughes, Will Manderson, Baby Arthur Connolly, Bridget Geraldine Carr, Lukose Vadakara, Matthew, Josie Piper, Bailey Merritt, Chris Lewis, Tracy Stuart.

ANNIVERSARIES WE REMEMBER AT THIS TIME.

Mary Jane Castles, Stanley Henry Manning, William John Read, Tommy Fahy, Fr. John Ryan, Patrick Watson, Peter Manning, Murray Cossack, Margaret Clark, Susan Johnstone, Teresa Riordan, John Henry Bolton, Annie Gostling, Pietro Perotti, Catherine Murphy, Philip Joseph Sheridan, Agnes Edwards, Margaret Carter, Pope John Paul 1. George (Sam) Carabine, John Gill, Fr. Bob Newbery, Elizabeth Clarke.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

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



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TWENTY - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ©

21st September 2025

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7 Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

“The love of money is the root of all evil” says St Paul. He did not call *money itself* the root of all evil, but rather the *love of money*. Of course, money is needed as a means of exchanging goods in every organised society. But a person can become its slave through excessive love of money. It can become a substitute for God in one’s life. In George Bernard Shaw’s play, Major Barbara, when the rich industrialist was asked what his religion was he answered, “Why, I’m a millionaire. That’s my religion!” but life is far more precious than the money we have, the food we eat or the clothes we wear. Possessions are only on loan to us, and in time we must leave them all behind.

According to Henrik Ibsen: “Money may buy the husks of things but it cannot buy the kernel. It brings you food but not appetite; medicine but not health, acquaintances but not friends, servants but not faithfulness, days of pleasure but not peace and happiness.”

“Naked I came from my mother’s womb,” (Job 1:21), “and naked shall I return; the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away.”

The story about the Unjust Steward is about the fair and just use of money. Great personal wealth is rarely acquired without some sharp practice, and so Jesus regards money as somehow tainted. The laws and structures of society still seem to cater not so much to the common good but to the benefit of the wealthy and the privileged few. We need to keep in mind the words of Jesus, “Blessed are the poor in spirit, blessed are the merciful, blessed are those who strive for justice.” This brings true fulfilment and the greatest reward of all, the friendship of God for all eternity. Deep down, we know that there are no pockets in a shroud.

ATTENTION !!! - For safeguarding reasons, photographs and video recordings are **NOT PERMITTED** during the Mass or at any special occasion within the Parish. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us maintain a safe and respectful environment for all.

REMINDER TO PARENTS & GUARDIANS - For the safety and well being of all children, we kindly ask that children be accompanied by a parent or a responsible adult when using the toilets. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe environment for everyone.

A SINCERE THANK YOU - I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to **Marian Rowley Gift Aid coordinator** for all her hard work in ensuring that we received the Gift Aid donations from HMRC. Thanks, to her dedication, Most Holy Redeemer has received **£5209.65**, and St. Dominic's **£3059.84**. Your commitment is deeply appreciated, and your efforts have greatly benefited our Parish Community. **Fr. Joseph Tan**.

GIFT AID DECLARATIONS FORMS - For those donating to the Parish by standing order, please consider filling out a Gift Aid declaration Form. This allows the Parishes to claim an extra 25percent on your donations. For further details contact Marian Rowley Gift Aid coordinator, or Fr Joseph.

GENTLE REMINDER SERVICE OF THE WORD - Reminder that there will be **NO MASS** as St. Dominic's Church this **Thursday** due to the Diocesan Clergy Conference. On this day, there will be a Service of the Word in place of Mass.

GIRL'S CLUB REOPENING - We're delighted to announce that Girl's Club will reopen on **Friday 3rd October**, from 6-7.30pm in St. George's hall, Most Holy Redeemer Church. New members are very welcome-from reception to year 6. We look forward to seeing you there! For further details, please speak to Theresa.

GIRLS CLUB REUNION - You're warmly invited to our Girls' Club Reunion Coffee/Tea morning on **Sunday 5th October**, after the 11am Mass, in St Anthony's Hall, Most Holy Redeemer. It will be wonderful to gather together and see all the ladies who have been part of the Girls Club since its establishment in 1977. We look forward to sharing memories, laughter and friendship with you. All welcome. See Theresa for details.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION EVANGELI GAUDIUM DAY - There will be a diocesan second collection **this weekend** for Evangeli Gaudium Day after all Masses. Thank you for your continued support.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE - The total amount raised to support the Catholic Education Schools in England and Wales last Sunday totalled **£107.10**. MHR raised **£87.90**, StD raised **£19.20**. Thank you for your kind generosity and your continued support.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026 - For children who will be in Year 3 or above in September. The applications are available at the back of the church and forms must be in clear **BLOCK LETTERS** to avoid spelling mistakes. Forms must be returned by **Sunday 2nd November 2025**. After this date, application forms will not be accepted. The requirement is that you are a practicing Catholic who attends Sunday Mass, and lives in the Harold Hill or Harold Wood area. For further details please contact Paula Jones First Holy Communion Co-Ordinator. Thank you for your cooperation.

MASS REGISTRATION CARDS - New Mass Registration Cards **2025-2026** will be available for collection this weekend. Mass registration cards are only available for children preparing for their First Holy Communion next year - this applies to year 3 and year 5 only. Please **RETURN** the card for **2024-2025**. Thank you for your cooperation.

RECENT DEATH - Patrica Humphries Nee Bargh a former parishioner of Most Holy Redeemer's Church, sadly passed away on Wednesday 10th September, at St Helenas Hospice, Colchester. May she rest in peace. Please remember Patricia and her family and friends in your prayers.

S.V.P. NEXT MEETING - Next meeting of SVP will be on Monday the 22nd of September at 5.15 .pm at St Dominics.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE - PARISH SURGERY: Fr. Joseph will be holding a surgery for parents who require a Certificate of Catholic Practice for school applications. Saturday 27th September, 4.30pm - 6pm in most Holy Redeemer Church. Please bring along your child's your Mass attendance card, and any school application forms with you. This surgery is only for families who attend Mass regularly and are known to Fr. Joseph. If you do not practise your faith, please apply directly to the school.

TEACHING ASSISTANT VACANCY – St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and motivated Higher Level Teaching Assistant to join the team. For more information about the position and to apply, please visit:- <https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=113248> Closing date is midday on 23.09.25 Visits are welcome and to arrange, or for further information, please contact the Office Manager, Mrs Foster by phone 01277 653770 or email on admin@st-peters-pri.essex.sch.uk

BRENTWOOD URSULINE CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 7 OPEN EVENING- Brentwood Ursuline Convent High School, Queens Road, Brentwood, Essex cm14 4ex. Year 7 open evening will take place Thursday 25th September 6.30pm-9.00pm, Headteachers talks @6.30pm and 7.30pm. Open mornings Thursday 2nd and 3rd October 2025 9.30am-11.00am **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Please note there is no onsite parking for the events. Contact admin@buchs.co.uk, www.brentwoodursuline.co.uk

OPENING EVENING SACRED HEART OF MARY GIRL'S SCHOOL -'Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School is holding its Year 6 Open Evening (for entry to Year 7 in September 2026) on **Wednesday 1st October 2025 at 6pm-8pm**. Headteacher Welcome Talk is at 7.30pm. Please come along and see what this wonderful school - rated Outstanding by Ofsted in all 5 areas in October 2024 - has to offer your daughter. Further details about the school see www.sacredheartofmary.net'.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE – **Jubilee Youth Mass** on Thursday 2nd October, Youth Mass will be celebrated with Bishop Alan at Brentwood Cathedral, following a talk from the Donal Walsh #livelife foundation starting from 6:30pm. All young people around the Diocese are very welcome to join – there is no need to book, but please do let us know if you'd like to bring a group. Get in touch at info@bcys.net for more information.

VACANCY PART-TIME ASSISTANT EXAMINATIONS OFFICER - **Hours:** 800 hours across the academic year 2025-26-**APTC points 11 - 15 £17.08 - £18.01 per hour (£13,664 - £14,408 per annum)** (£32,068 -£33,985 per annum pro rata) **Closing date for applications:** Friday 3 October 2025. We are seeking a part-time Assistant Examinations Officer to join our team as soon as possible. The successful candidate will be well-organised with an eye for detail to support our Examinations Officer in preparing for and co-ordinating external and internal examinations at Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School. They will enjoy working with others and be prepared to guide and support our team of invigilators. For more information about the post or to arrange a visit to the school, please email the Examinations Officer, Mrs Victoria Folwell on vfolwell@mary.haverling.sch.uk

SAINT ÓSCAR ROMERO: Archbishop John Wilson (Archbishop of Southwark), will be giving a Talk and power-point Presentation on Saint Óscar Romero, in the Cathedral Parish Hall on **Wednesday 8th October at 7.30pm**. Archbishop John has made a special study of St Oscar Romero, and it is a great honour and privilege to invite him to our Cathedral Parish and Diocese for this talk.

LOTTERY BONUS BALL

Wed 17th September 2025 Bonus Ball No: 42 "F. Rayner." £25
Congratulations to winner and thank you for supporting your Parishes