

MASS TIMES AND MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday 6th September - Sunday 14th September

Sat 6th September

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sun 7th September

(StD) 9am:

(MHR) 11am:

Mon 8th September

(MHR) 9.30am:

Tues 9th September

(StD) 9.30am:

Wed 10th September

(MHR) 9.30am:

Thurs 11th September

(StD) 9.30am:

Fri 12th September

(MHR) 9.30am:

(MHR) 10.00am:

Sat 13th September

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sun 14th September

(StD) 9am:

(MHR) 11am:

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.

Catherine Harrison, Florence Ellen Philip, Maria Eva Flanagan, Joan Branigan, Joan Barham (Funeral), Sarah Hyde, Mgr. Michael Wilson, William Arthur Madigan, James Lillis, Doris Warren, Timothy Hayes, Margaret McInerney, Teresa O'Brien, Fr. Charles Johnson, Fr Conrad Smith, Christopher Stephen Brown. Edward William Emms, Eileen Vasey, Ada Cronin, Eleanor Rozier, Margaret Rose Turvey, Sr Carmelita, Baby Angela Brandley, Fr. Theophilus Borer, Bishop George Andrew Beck, Canon James Hemming, Rev. Arthur Woods (Deacon), Peter William Cammings. Eileen Archer, William (Bill) Lyons., Fr. Louis Heston, Walter Cronin, Margaret McInerney.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

7th September 2025

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18 **Second Reading:** Philomen 9b -10, 12-17, 22-24a **Gospel:** Luke 14:25-33

Jesus preaches the sort of message the world does not like to hear. Taking up the Cross, counting the cost, renouncing all we have: these are concepts we naturally tend to dislike.

Why does Jesus say we must "hate" our families and even ourselves cannot be his disciple?. The word "hate" is a Semitic expression meant to "Love less". Would be nearer to what Jesus had in mind. Jesus uses a strong language to make it clear that nothing should take precedence or first place in our lives over God.

Being a disciple of Jesus is not easy. It demand total commitment and much self-discipline, so much so that it sometimes seems impossible. Indeed, it is not an exaggeration to say that there is often a heavy price to be paid for discipleship, especially regarding family members and personal possessions.

The Gospel message is unambiguous: Jesus demands total commitment from us. This does not mean that we cannot be interested in other people and things. But our priority must be our relationship with him. There can be no half measure. This is the cost of true disciples.

The two short parables make the point that discipleship is a serious calling. It could mean persecution and even death. In this, as in any other spheres of life (such as business and politics), one shouldn't walk into it blindly. One must calculate the cost before setting out.

Jesus is not asking us to do anything he himself hasn't done for us before. And, as with anything he challenges us to do, he promises to give us all the help we need to live up to those commitments.

S.V.P. MEETING - S.V. P's next meeting will be on **8th September at 5.15pm** at the **Most Holy Redeemer**. We're looking forward to our first meeting after the summer break. There will be plenty to catch up on and important matters to discuss as we look ahead to the coming months. We hope as many as possible will join us - your presence and input are always greatly valued!

PARISH MONTHLY GRAND DRAW - We're delighted to announce the winner of our September Monthly Grand Draw ! Congratulations to Sue Davis. (No 75) You've won £50. A heartfelt thank you to all who continue to support the draw. Your participation truly strengthens our parish community . Stay tuned - next month it could be you!

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE - There will be a second collection **Sunday 14th September** for Catholic Education Service after all Masses. Thank you for 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.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE: There is **no requirement** for a Certificate of Catholic Practice for children applying for St Ursula's Catholic Primary School and Ursuline Convent High School. However, Certificate of Catholic Practice **is required** for pupils applying to Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School and The Champion School.

PARISH REPOSITORY - The repositories at both parishes have now been re- stocked. A wide selection is available, including Christmas calendars, candles, rosaries, greeting cards, and various other gift ideas. We warmly invite you to come and browse today.

GENTLE REMINDER FOR FOREIGN COINS. - Dear Parishioners, we extend our sincere gratitude for your continued generosity and support of our parishes. At this time, we are able to accept only **local currency** in the collection. We respectfully request that foreign coins or banknotes not be placed in the offertory, Thank you for your kind understanding and ongoing support.

JOINING THE RCIA PROGRAM 2025-2026. - Becoming Catholic is the beginning of a lifelong journey of faith. Have you expressed an interest in becoming or want to find out more about being a Catholic? Were you baptised as a Catholic as a child but have not received the sacrament of Confirmation or Eucharist ? Have you just lost contact with the Church? Please contact Fr. Joseph for more details or alternatively contact the Parish Office 01708 343492 or email haroldhillmhr@brcdt.org. **Further information will be provided shortly.**

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL - If you would like the latest newsletter delivered to your inbox every week, simply email the Parish office email address haroldhillmhr@brcdt.org and we will add you to our mailing list.

YOUTH ANIME MOVIE NIGHT - private cinema screening Join us for a private screening of the new movie, "Demon Slayer: Kimetsu No Yaiba the Movie: Infinity Castle", on Friday, September 12th, at 6:45 PM at the ODEON Cinema in North Greenwich. This exclusive event is for young people aged 14+ and costs just £12. Tickets aren't on sale yet, but you can register your interest by scanning the barcode located at the bottom of the event posters or by using the link in the bio of the partnership Instagram page @romford_youth to be notified when they become available. We hope to see you there!

INGATESTONE HALL TEA & TOUR - Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is excited to invite you to a special day exploring the beautiful Ingatestone Hall! Join us for a private guided tour led by Lord Petre or his son, giving you a rare glimpse into this stunning 16th-century Grade I listed manor house. The tour lasts about 1½ hours, and afterwards, you'll be treated to tea and cake in the parlour — a lovely way to relax and chat! Date: Thursday, 11th September Times: 10.30 am and 12.30 pm (two tour options) Tickets: £25 per person — you can reserve yours here: <https://eu.jotform.com/form/251772844632361> Note: Please be aware that access is limited due to the historic nature of the building, which may not be suitable for individuals with mobility challenges.

If you'd like more info, please get in touch with Julie: Email: jabbott@bccs.org.uk / 07912277413 and we look forward to welcoming you to Ingatestone Hall for a day of history, hospitality, and stunning architecture.

CELEBRATING VATICAN II - As the sixtieth anniversary of the conclusion of Vatican II approaches Fr Adrian Graffy will lead a study day entitled 'Vatican II and its Popes'. The event will take place at the Catholic parish of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park (RM2 6DH) on **Saturday 20th September** from 10.30. Entrance is free, and a recording of the talk will be available subsequently on www.whatgoodnews.org

CARITAS SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK: "Join the Caritas Social Action Network on Saturday 20th September as we celebrate the Jubilee of Social Justice at the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral. This event is open to all, beginning with Mass at 12:00pm, followed by a complimentary lunch and an exhibition showcasing various social action-focused organisations."

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE – Youth Gather, 25th – 26th October. Youth Gather is a weekend of faith, fun and friendship – with speakers, workshops, prayer and outdoor activities, meeting friends old and new, and all while sharing in and celebrating our Catholic faith. There will be coaches offering transport from around the Diocese included in the cost, as well as all meals, cabin accommodation and activities. This event is for year 9 and above. Apply now at www.bcys.net/events

CAFOD - CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) is looking for people to join our small team of volunteers who visit local schools to inspire children and young people and raise their awareness on issues of global poverty and Catholic social teaching. CAFOD provides full- training and support and welcomes applications from people with a range of experience. For more information contact Chris Driscoll at cdriscoll@cafod.org.uk or call 07776 493 162.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025, 21st – 25th October Cost £399: The costs include return flights from Stansted half board accommodation, and transfer from/to Lourdes. This is led by Fr. Stephen Boyle, parish priest of St. Anselm's Dartford. Places are limited at this price to 20 persons, £70 single supplement. Children under 16 go for £199. To book a place please fill in the form or contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, dartford@rcaos.org.uk, Tel: 01322220075

LOTTERY BONUS BALL

Wed 3rd September 2025 Bonus Ball No: 28 "Joe K." £50

Congratulations to winner and thank you for supporting your Parishes