

### **MASS TIMES AND MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **Saturday 20th December - Sunday 28th December**

##### **Sat 20th December**

(MHR) 6.30pm:

##### **Sun 21st December**

(StD) 9am:

11am:

##### **Mon 22nd December**

(MHR) 9.30am:

##### **Tues 23rd December**

(StD) 9.30am:

##### **Wed 24th December**

(MHR) 9.30am:

(MHR) 4pm

(MHR) 9.30pm:

(MHR) 10pm

##### **Thurs 25th December**

(STD) 9am:

(MHR) 11am:

##### **Fri 26th December**

(MHR) 10.30am:

##### **Sat 27th December**

(MHR) 6.30pm:

##### **Sun 28th December**

(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, Baby Emily, 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, Maisie & Baby, Cecilia Thompson.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES WE REMEMBER AT THIS TIME.**

Ernest Callaghan, Eugene Riordan, Fr. William Guinevan, Maureen Barrow, Bridie Stanton, Anne Treacy, Peter McCormack, Ann Slater, William O'Connell, Hannie Greensmith, Frederick Carr, John Doherty, Joseph Vasey, Len Rider, Bishop Brian Foley, Elizabeth Warren, Mrs Elizabeth McCartney, Allan Norman Grant, Patrick Jennings, Fr. Wilfred Thompson, David Honey, Joseph Slater, Douglas Hurley, Peter Tracey, Fr. Francis Greenan, Ronald & Margaret Hastell, Rose McCarthy, Katherine Terrington, Dennis Heap, Francis Delahunt, Fr. Francis Wilson, Peter Farrelly, Jean Ward, Joanne Dorman, John O'Neill, Joseph Thomas Whelan, Joseph John Mahoney, Elizabeth Fletcher, Mrs Nora Walsh, James Page, Con Crowley, Charles Stanley Jennings, Thomas Sharpe, Anne Marie Stevenson, Kath Walshe.

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

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



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### **FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT (A)**

**21st December 2025**

**First Reading**: Isaiah 7:10-14 **Second Reading**: Romans 1:1-7 **Gospel**: Matthew 1: 18-24

*Christ the savior  
is born*

*As we prepare to celebrate the Lord's Birthday - may Peace  
and Joy be yours at Christmas and every day throughout  
the New Year.*

*Merry Christmas!!*

**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.

**ALTAR SERVERS** - There will be a special Mass on St Stephen's Day, Friday 26th December, at 10.30am at The Most Holy Redeemer Church. This Mass is for all altar servers, boys and girls who have served for more than one year. This year altar servers from Most Holy Redeemer and St Dominic's Parish will be formally included in the Guild of St Stephen. ***We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Divina, Emily, Gerard, Josie, Lilian, Lucus, Brielle, Daniel, David, Kosi, Orobosa, and Ugoms, and we thank them for their outstanding service to the liturgy throughout the year. All servers are kindly asked to arrive by 10am for a brief rehearsal.***

**PARKING AT ST. DOMINIC'S CHURCH** - The entrance to the car park must be **kept clear at all times**. The area is designated to provide safe and unobstructed access to the ramp for individuals with **disabilities and wheelchair users**. Double parking is strictly prohibited, as it causes obstruction and prevents other vehicles from exiting the car park safely. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in vehicles being asked to move immediately. Thank You for your cooperation.

**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, a collection in aid of the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has been associated with these crib scenes. This collection will be donated to support our diocesan children's charity. Thank you for your generosity and support.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING** - Twice each year, at Christmas and Easter, the offertory collection constitutes a personal gift to Fr. Joseph. These donations represent a significant portion of his annual remuneration. Gift Aid on qualifying donations will be used to support your local priest. **Please note that personal gifts to priests cannot be gift aided.** Thank you for your support and generosity.

**PARENTS MEETING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** - There will be a meeting for **PARENT'S ONLY** on Thursday 8th January 2026 at **7pm** Most Holy Redeemer Church in St. Anthony's hall. Please bring a passport - size photo of your child. A copy of your child's baptism certificate, if not already submitted. The **£25** registration fee. If you're experiencing any financial difficulty, Please speak to Paula Jones or Fr. Joseph after the meeting. Your attendance is important. Thank You for your cooperation.

**MOST HOLY REDEEMER & ST DOMINIC'S REPOSITORY** - currently has gifts: traditional cards and calendars for Christmas, Religious candles, Children rosaries, and many others. Everyone welcome to browse. Open after Mass.

**CHRISTINGLE SERVICE CELEBRATION** - Monday 22nd December at 5pm. All families are warmly invited to join us at The Most Holy Redeemer Church, St. Georges Hall for our Christingle Celebration. Children are especially welcome to come along wearing Christmas jumpers to the festive spirit. Please bring along an orange to decorate as part of our activity. We will also be supporting the Salvation Army Food Bank. Donations would be greatly appreciated! A speaker from the Salvation Army will also join us to give a short talk.

**CHURCH FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS** - The Christmas flower arrangements will be prepared in St. Anthony's Hall, at Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill on **Tuesday 23rd December at 11am** - Please let Theresa know whether you be attending. Everyone welcome!

**CONFIRMATION APPLICATION FORMS 2026 AVAILABLE** - Any young people who will be 14 years of age or over by Easter 2026 and are interested being confirmed are invited to collect a form. Confirmation forms are available at the back of the church. Please see Francesca Uche, Confirmation Coordinator, Theresa Murray, Paula Jones, Fr. Joseph. Please return the form by **Sunday, 11th January 2026. Forms submitted after the deadline will unfortunately not be accepted.**

**WATCH THE SUPRISE** - Watch the Surprise, a wonderful play by Catholic author GK Chesterton this Christmas. Monday 22nd December 3pm online [www.ewtn.co.uk](http://www.ewtn.co.uk) or on sky 586. For GK Chesterton Prayers see; [www.CatholicGKChestertonSociety.co.uk](http://www.CatholicGKChestertonSociety.co.uk)

**MARANATHA** - Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! You are warmly welcomed to an evening of praise and worship, including mass and adoration. Save the dates: **Friday 16th of January and Friday 13th of February 2026**. Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm, including refreshments after. Venue: The Blessed Sacrament Church, 116 Melbourne Avenue, CM12DU, Chelmsford. Bring your friends! Organised by the CDSC (Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion).

**HEAD TEACHER VACANCY** - The Governors of St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Hornchurch, are seeking to appoint an inspirational and dedicated Head Teacher from April 2026. **Closing date: Friday 9th January 2026 at 5pm / Interview Date: Friday 23rd January 2026**. Enquiries can be made by email to [admin@stmcp.co.uk](mailto:admin@stmcp.co.uk), or phone 01708 448430.

**RETRouvaille** - Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next date: 12th February 2026. [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) Tel: 07887 296983

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2026** - Join our pilgrimage to Lourdes travelling overnight by luxury coach from **9 to 14 February 2026**. It is always a beautiful and deeply spiritual experience soaking in the Spirit of Jesus as we travel to honour Our Blessed Mother. Leaving Slough and Ealing Broadway on 9 Feb 2026 and departing Lourdes on 13 February for a visit to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal in Rue de Bac, Paris on 14 February morning and arriving in London later on 14 February 2026. Full board, exciting festival devotional program, experience the Blessed Sacrament Procession of the Sick, the Candlelight Marian Rosary Procession and the International Mass on the Feast Day followed by Stations, Confessions and Adoration with Hour of Mercy. Travel, full board and program cost £590. Call millie on 07957594646 for more info.

### **CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2025**

**Children are welcome to wear any nativity costumes at these Masses.**

**Christmas Eve Vigil Mass for Children & Families:**

**Wednesday 24th Dec, at 4pm (MHR)**

**Sing-a-Long Christmas Carols: Wednesday 24th Dec at 9.30pm (MHR)**

**followed by Midnight Mass 10pm**

**Christmas Day Masses: Thursday 25th Dec at 9am (StD)**

**and 11am (MHR)**

**St Stephen, The First Martyr: Friday 26th Dec, at 10.30am (MHR)**

### **LOTTERY BONUS BALL**

**Wed 17th December 2025 Bonus Ball No: 36 "Tony Mak" £25**  
**Congratulations to winner and thank you for supporting your Parishes**