

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Saturday 8th August - Sunday 16th August 2026

MASS TIMES

Saturday 8th August

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sunday 9th August

(StD) 9.00am:

(MHR) 11.00am:

Monday 10th August

(MHR) 9.30am:

Tuesday 11th August

(StD) 9.30am:

(MHR) 11.00am:

Wednesday 12th August

Thursday 13th August

(StD) 9.30am:

(STD) 11.00am:

Friday 14th August

(MHR) 9.30am:

(MHR) 10.00am:

Saturday 15th August

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sunday 16th August

(StD) 9.00am:

(MHR) 11.00am:

Morning Prayer: Before Mass 9.15am Monday - Friday.

Rosary: Recited after morning Mass Monday - Friday at MHR and on Tuesday - Thursday after morning Mass at StD.

Confessions at Most Holy Redeemer are available by request. Please contact the Parish Office on 01708 343492 or email haroldhillmhr@brcdt.org to arrange a suitable time.

Please pray for all who are sick or housebound within our parish community.

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 Tyes, 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, 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 Theodore James, Peter Hayes, Lauren Johnson, Jo-ann Edwards, Vaughan Jones, Terry Hammond, Roy Farrance, Gavin Golding, Jodie (nee) Goulding.

Anniversaries of the Deceased.

Fr. Henry Tilley, Fr. David Coughlan, Fr. Hugh Verity, Mrs Dean, Jim Gogan, John Parish, Mr & Mrs P J Dillon, Herbert William Hyde, John Keating, Andrés Naveda, Doreen Pittaway, Joseph Synpas, John O'Connor, John Michael Brady, Doris Patmore, Michael Flynn, James Dooley, Kitty O'Reilly, Ann McGrath, Hazel Walsh, Sylvia Reeder, Timothy Baker, Alice Elizabeth Brown, Emily Williams, Fr. Stephen Keane, Frederick McDermott, Carol Miles, Francis Veronica McDonald, Timothy Ryan, Annie Wille, Michael Roche, Mrs N Bailey.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil Mass of the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

People of the Parish

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Orobosa Irabor Birthday - Benedicta Irabor

Andres Naveda R.I.P. - Naveda Family

St Lawrence, Dc, M

Kathleen Lillis R.I.P. - Theresa, Josie, Girl's Club

St Clare, V

Theresa Tan R.I.P. - Tan's Family

Funeral Service for Percy Thomas Gray

Feria of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time

No Mass

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No Mass

Requiem Mass for Diane Vassiliou

St Maximilian Kolbe, Pr, M

Ann Adams R.I.P. Birthday - Colin & Linda Miles

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

Vigil Mass Assumption Of the Blessed Virgin Mary (A)

Mr Thomas O'Shea R.I.P. - John F. Glynn

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (A)

People of the Parish

Louise Nana R.I.P. - Tessa & Friends

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



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**St Dominic's
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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Sunday 9th August 2026

Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a **Second Reading:** Romans 9:1-5 **Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-33

Very heart touching message for today's Gospel.

A man started to walk on a rope tied between two tall towers.

He was walking slowly, balancing a long stick in his hands.

He had his son sitting on his shoulders.

Everyone on the ground were watching him in bated breath and were very tense.

When he slowly reached the second tower, everyone clapped, whistled and welcomed him.

They shook hands and took selfies.

The man asked the crowd " Do you all think I can walk on the same rope now from this side to that side?"

Crowd shouted in one voice "Yes, Yes, we are ready to bet on you.

Do you trust me and have faith in me, he asked? They said yes, yes, we are ready to bet on you.

The man said okay, can anyone of you give your child to sit on my shoulder. I will take the child to the other side safely.

There was stunned silence. Everyone became quiet.

Belief is different.

Trust is different.

For trust and faith you need to surrender totally.

This is what we lack towards God in today's world.

We believe in God Almighty.

BUT do we trust and have faith in Him ???

Very beautiful message, worth pondering over and over again!!!

WELCOME TO OUR PARISHES THIS SUMMER! - As many of our regular parishioners enjoy holidays during the summer months, we extend a warm welcome to all those joining us at Most Holy Redeemer and St. Dominic's. Whether you are visiting family, on holiday, or worshipping with us for the first time, we are delighted to have you with us and hope you enjoy your time in our parish community.

MATCHED GIVING - Many employers operate Matched Giving Schemes, matching funds raised through charitable events. In recent years, two Barclays employees have successfully secured matched funding for our Parish, demonstrating how valuable these schemes can be. If you are helping with any of our Parish fundraising activities, especially our Christmas Market, please check whether your employer offers a Matched Giving Scheme. Your support could make a significant difference to our fundraising efforts. For further information, please speak to Theresa or Fr. Joseph.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - Next Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All Masses will be celebrated at the usual Sunday times: Saturday (Vigil) 6.30pm at Most Holy Redeemer, Sunday 9am at St. Dominic's, and 11am at Most Holy Redeemer.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027 - For children who will be in Year 3 or above in September. The applications will be available from **Sunday 30th August** and forms must be in clear **BLOCK LETTERS** to avoid spelling mistakes. Forms must be returned by **Sunday 1st November**. Thank you for your cooperation. For further details please contact Paula Jones First Holy Communion Co-Ordinator

NEW MASS REGISTRATION CARDS - New Mass Registration Cards **2026-2027** will be available for collection on **Sunday 30th August**. Children entering **Year 3**, together with those entering **Year 5**, are invited to collect a new Mass Registration Card. Please remember to **RETURN your completed 2025 - 2026 Mass Registration Card when collecting your new one**. Thank you for your cooperation.

RCIA PROGRAMME 2026-2027 - 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.**

MASS ARRANGEMENTS - TUESDAY 11TH AUGUST - Please note that the 9.30am Mass at St. Dominic's **will be celebrated** as usual on **Tuesday 11th August**. The Funeral Service for Percy Thomas Gray will take place at 11am at Most Holy Redeemer Church.

RECENT BEREAVEMENT - **Percy Thomas Gray**, of Dagenham Park Drive, Harold Hill, who passed away on Monday 13th July. His Funeral Service will take place at Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill, on **Tuesday 11th August at 11am** followed by interment and committal at Upminster Cemetery. Please remember Percy and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

MASS ARRANGEMENTS - THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST - There will be **no** 9.30am Mass at St. Dominic's Church on **Thursday 13th August**. A Requiem Mass for **Diane Vassiliou** will be celebrated at 11am at St. Dominic's Church.

RECENT BEREAVEMENT - Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Diane Vassiliou**. Her Requiem Mass will take place at St. Dominic's Church, Straight Road, Harold Hill, on **Thursday 13th August at 11am**. Please remember Diane and her family in your prayers. May she rest in peace.

DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION - The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday **Monday 31 August 2026 from 10:30 am to 4pm**. all Millie on WhatsApp 07957594646 for more information. Coaches from Slough, Ealing Broadway and Victoria

MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS - **Guild of St Stephen (Brentwood Diocese)** The Guild of St Stephen - Brentwood Diocese warmly invites all altar servers and their families to the **Mass for Altar Servers** on **Saturday 19 September 2026 at 11.30am**, taking place at **St Joseph the Worker, Hutton (CM13 1BJ)**. Servers are asked to arrive by **11.15am** and to bring their own **alb/cassock and cotta**. Parking is available onsite, and the nearest train station is **Shenfield** (Elizabeth Line & National Rail). Following Mass, refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall, after which the **Guild of St Stephen Brentwood Diocese AGM** will take place. This special Mass will be offered for all altar servers across the Diocese and in thanksgiving for **John McCormack**, marking **36 years of dedicated service** as Chairman of the Guild. If you would like to attend the Altar Servers' Mass, please email guildofststephenbrentwood@gmail.com by **13 September 2026**, as this will assist us in planning for numbers. All are warmly welcome.

CATHOLIC TEACHING IN THE WORLD OF AI - Pope Leo has recently published *Magnifica Humanitas*, an encyclical letter on 'safeguarding the human person in the time of artificial intelligence'. It puts 'artificial intelligence' in the context of Catholic Social Teaching. The Holy Father writes: 'In the era of artificial intelligence, when human dignity is threatened by new forms of dehumanisation, ours is the pressing duty to remain profoundly human.' Fr Hugh MacKenzie, chaplain at Westminster Cathedral, is an expert on AI. He will be giving a presentation on the topic on **Saturday 26th September 2026** at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park, beginning at 11 am. The event is in-person but is also available live-stream from www.whatgoodnews.org. The talk will be of particular interest to our young people, with their IT competence.

MARRIAGE IN A RUT? Or need help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. **Next dates: 2nd - 4th Oct.** www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info Tel: 0788 7296983.

CATECHIST TRAINING & RESOURCES DAY 2026 - We are delighted to invite you to our **Catechist Training & Resources Day 2026**, taking place on **Saturday 7th November**, from **10:00am-3:00pm** at **Brentwood Ursuline Convent School**. This free day is open to everyone involved in youth and children's ministry across the Diocese of Brentwood. It is an opportunity to refresh your own faith, discover new ideas and resources, and connect with others who share your passion for helping young people encounter Christ. We would also love to welcome **young leaders aged 16+** who are already serving in their Parish, or who are interested in becoming catechists or youth leaders in the future. The event is **completely free**, but if you can make a small donation towards our running costs, it is always gratefully received. To reserve your place, please complete the form on our webpage at <https://bcys.net/events/catechists2026/>. We look forward to welcoming you to another wonderful event,

NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL - Stay up to date with parish news and events by receiving our weekly newsletter by email. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to be added to our mailing list.

LOTTERY BONUS BALL WEDNESDAY 5th AUGUST 2026

Bonus Ball Round 1: No 8 - Winner Liz Hill - £12.50

Bonus Ball Round 2 : No 58 - Winner Roll Over - £37.50

Congratulations to our winner and thank you to everyone who supports our Parish Lottery!