

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Saturday 19th September - Sunday 27th September 2026

MASS TIMES

Saturday 19th September

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sunday 20th September

(StD) 9.00am:

(MHR) 11.00am:

Monday 21st September

(MHR) 9.30am:

Tuesday 22nd September

(StD) 9.30am:

Wednesday 23rd September

Thursday 24th September

(StD) 9.30am:

Friday 25th September

(MHR) 9.30am:

(MHR) 10.00am:

Saturday 26th September

(MHR) 6.30pm:

Sunday 27th September

(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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Vigil Mass Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Bill Martin R.I.P. Anni - Charlotte Hunt
 People of the Parish

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Ethel Okoro Birthday
 Michael O'Sullivan R.I.P. - Dermot O'Sullivan

St Matthew, Ap, Ev

Wedding Anni - Ifunanya & Iyke

Feria of the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Diane Vassiliou R.I.P. - Theresa & Lizzie

St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) Pr

No Mass

Our Lady of Walsingham

Diane Vassiliou R.I.P.- Sheila Delander

Feria of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Jackie Terry R.I.P. Birthday - Charlotte, Vicky, Steve
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions

Vigil Mass Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Sinead Choliy - Caroline O'Haire

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People of the Parish

William Martin R.I.P. 4th Anni - Sister

Theresa Murray Intentions - Tess Cast

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 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, 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, Ralph Anah.

Anniversaries of the Deceased

Maria Cottage, John Arthur Tredgett, Canon Frederick Gahaghan, Gordon Jackson, Denis O'Leary, Roseann Tracey, Eileen Henson, Eileen Fraser, 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.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

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



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Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9 **Second Reading:** Philippians 1: 20c-24, 27a **Gospel:** Matthew 20: 1-16

Some consider the story in the today's Gospel of the workers in the vineyard an unfair story. What happens seems patently unjust. It seems to favour the idler at the expense of the hard worker. Not so. The story goes out of its way to stress that no injustice has been done.

However, the story is not about justice. It is about generosity. Justice is a great thing, but it hasn't the sweetness of generosity. Generosity touches the heart in a way justice never does. Though the story is about generosity, it is not about human generosity. It is about the generosity of GOD.

God's generosity utterly transcends human generosity. 'My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are my ways your ways. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts' (First Reading). We know of people who turn to God at a very late stage in their life. There are even those who receive God on their deathbed. To Christians who feel that living their faith is a task difficult to carry and burden, those latecomers to the fold are to be envied. They did not have to strive to be good Christians all their lives but only at the last hour.

God comes to each of us at a different stage of our life, just like the vineyard owner who goes out five times looking for workers. We must keep in mind that it is God who calls us. He takes the initiative, but it is up to us to respond to his call. If we pay attention to our own respond, we will cease to be envious of our neighbours. We will come to realize that everyone is called to the vineyard at one's own time, given one's own situation. Once God has touched our hearts, and warmed them with his love, we will begin to love in our turn.

PARISH NEWS

CHRISTMAS STABLE - CAN YOU HELP? - We are looking for a **skilled carpenter** to make a new, larger Christmas Stable for St. Dominic's Church. A special thank you to the Parishioner who has kindly donated £100 towards the **new** stable. If any parishioner would like to give the existing stable a new home, you are very welcome to take it, and a donation to the parish would be greatly appreciated. Can you can help us create our new Christmas stable? if you are able to help please speak to Fr. Joseph.

NEXT S.V.P. MEETING - The next S.V.P. meeting will take place on **Monday 21st September** at **5.15pm** in St. Dominic's hall. We look forward to welcoming both our existing members and any new members who would like to join us.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION - EVANGELII GAUDIUM - There will be a second collection for Evangelii Gaudium (Joy of the Gospel) next weekend after all Masses. Thank you for your continued support.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION - CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE - The total amount collected for Catholic Education Service last Sunday was **£125.96**. MHR collected £95.85 and StD collected £30.11. Thank you for your generosity.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2027 - Confirmation application forms will be available from **Sunday 27th September**. Forms must be completed in **CLEAR BLOCK LETTERS**, particularly the section relating to the **Confirmation Certificates**, to avoid spelling inaccuracies. Completed forms must be returned by **Sunday 6th December**.

CELEBRATING 73 YEARS OF MOST HOLY REDEEMER, HAROLD HILL! - Sunday 27th September - After the 11am Mass join us as we celebrate 73 wonderful years of our parish community! Do you have any old photographs, memories or stories from your time in the Parish? We would love for you to bring them along and share with us. Come and enjoy a chance to look back, share memories and celebrate the history of Most Holy Redeemer Parish together. Any donations of cakes would be most welcome. Tea and coffee will be provided. Everyone is warmly welcome. See Theresa for details.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027 - 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 inaccuracies. Forms must be returned by **Sunday 1st November**. Thank you for your cooperation. For further details please contact Paula Jones, First Holy Communion Coordinator.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY MULTI CULTURAL GATHERING - After 11am Mass on **Sunday 25th October**, there will be a social gathering in St. George's Hall at Most Holy Redeemer Church. All parishioners of Most Holy Redeemer and St. Dominic's are warmly invited to join us as we celebrate the wonderful diversity of our parish community. Please wear your national costume and, if possible, bring along a dish representing your culture to share. Come along, enjoy some dancing, good food and fellowship, and help us celebrate the many different cultures that make our parishes so special. Everyone is warmly welcome! See Theresa for further information.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - The Parish Christmas Bazaar at Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill, will take place on **Saturday 28th November & Sunday 29th November**. We are looking for donations of bottles of drink (Alcoholic & Non-Alcoholic). See Theresa or Lizzie for further details.

CHRISTMAS MARKET DONATIONS - Do you have any unwanted gifts that you no longer need? We are now collecting items for our Christmas Market. Any new, unused gifts that you would like to donate would be greatly appreciated and will help make our market a success. The Christmas box is available at the back of the church for your donations. Thank you for your support and generosity.

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY EVENTS

ENVIRONMENT, LAUDATO SI' - Saturday, 26th September hosted by Brentwood Cathedral of St Mary & St Helen 9:45am arrivals - 12:30pm departures A talk on Catholic Social Teaching from Fr Matthias Baidoo. Followed by lived experience from parishioners in St Teresa of Lisieux Parish, Lexden.

FREEDOM IN CHRIST CONFERENCE - Freedom in Christ Conference on **Saturday 3rd October** from 1-3pm at Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Square, South Woodham Ferrers, CM3 5JX. Discover five keys to genuine freedom in Christ and to experience His amazing love, joy, and peace. Many of us, despite our best efforts, struggle with the same sins and feel hopeless in our search for freedom. Come and discover how the Lord can bring healing and freedom from spiritual bondages such as addictions, fear, anger, envy, lust, greed, and unforgiveness.

THE CALL TO BE HUMAN AN INTRODUCTION TO CATHOLIC MORAL THINKING - Four talks given by Fr Martin Boland, parish priest of Our Lady of Lourdes church, Wanstead. ° What does it mean to be moral? **Wednesday 7th October** 7.00 – 8.30 p.m. ° What has religion to do with morality? **Wednesday 14th October** 7.00 – 8.30 p.m. All welcome. Free Admission. ° What does it mean to be a free moral agent? **Wednesday 21st October** 7.00 – 8.30 p.m. ° Is Love all you need? **Wednesday 28th October** 7.00 – 8.30 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre, 51 Cambridge Park, London E11 2PR Nearest tube station: Wanstead (central line) www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com

QUIZ NIGHT AT THE CAMPION SCHOOL - Quiz Night at The Campion School. **Friday 9th October**. Doors open 7pm, quiz starts at 7.30pm. Teams of 10 max. £5 per person, BYO drinks and nibbles. For details of how to pay and to register your team, email pa-chair@thecampionschool.org.uk.

BCYS ROOTED 2026 7-9 YEARS/ YEARS 10-13 – Saturday 24th October for years 7-9 / Sunday 25th October for years 10-13: A brand-new day of faith, friendship and adventure for young people with the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service, at Walsingham House. With inspiring talks, workshops, outdoor activities, team challenges and prayer, it's a great opportunity to meet other young Catholics and grow in faith. For more information and to apply please visit www.bcys.net/events

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. 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 16th SEPTEMBER 2026

Bonus Ball Round 1: No 30 Liz Hill £25.00 Bonus Ball Round 2: No 50 Rollover £12.50
Congratulations to the winner! Thank you to everyone who supports our Parish Lottery!