

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY **6.00 pm** Elizabeth & Joseph Savonna RIP

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

21st September 2025 **9.00 am** Oliver Ryan RIP (*Keilthy*)
 11.00 am People of the Parish

MONDAY **9.15 am** Julian, Jillian & Chris Field RIP

TUESDAY - THURSDAY

No Parish Mass

FRIDAY **9.15am** Ints of Ann Nowak

SATURDAY **6.00 pm** Dermot O'Dwyer RIP

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

28th September 2025 **9.00 am** Ints of the Life in the Spirit Team
 11.00 am People of the Parish

WEEKDAY MASSES: This week there are Parish Masses at 9.15am on Monday and 9.15am on Friday. **There are no parish Masses on Tuesday and Wednesday** because Fr Dan is away on a Conference.

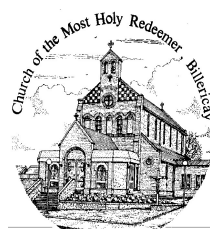
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place this Sunday (21st September) at 5pm in the church. It is also available to watch via the parish YouTube channel. The link to the livestream is below:
<https://youtube.com/live/PDElOW-W23k?feature=share>

No Confessions on Saturday, 27th September and Saturday, 4th October:
Please note that there are no Confessions from 11am to 12pm on Saturday, 27th September and Saturday, 4th October.
Fr Dan will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Exposition on Sundays at 5pm in the church.

Parish Family Life Co-ordinator - Kristin De Freitas: Email address: kristindefreitas@brcdt.org Mobile number is: 07492 910138

Hall Bookings The booking officer is Anna Sloper who can be contacted by e-mail canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) 21st September 2025



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As a parish community we are committed to

Growing Together in Faith & Love.

A message from Fr Adrian Graffy:

The parable of the dishonest steward in today's gospel is perhaps the most difficult of all the parables of Jesus. How could Jesus suggest to us as an example a man who is clearly dishonest?

The answer to this question comes in verse 8, at the conclusion of the parable, when the steward's master praises him 'for his astuteness'.

We are not called to imitate the man's dishonesty, demonstrated both before and after his dismissal, but his shrewdness. The steward quickly grasps how desperate his situation is and immediately seeks a solution. Jesus challenges us to do the same.

The final verses of the parable concern the proper use of money. They urge us to be trustworthy 'in little things' as well as great. We are challenged to be slaves of God, not of material things.

Luke places these verses here to ensure we do not misunderstand the parable of the dishonest steward.

Do I really understand the urgency of the call of Jesus?

Am I willing to learn from 'the children of this world'?

Let us pray that we may shake off our lethargy and behave as 'children of the light'. Let us resolve to be honest in little things as well as great.

OUR PARISH VISION PRAYER

Loving Father, we ask you to bring this vision to life within us. Embolden us with a desire to grow and mature as missionary disciples of Jesus. Give us the courage and grace to reach out to others within and beyond our parish with compassion and perseverance, so that they too may encounter Jesus and become His disciples. Lead our parish forward in the power of Your Spirit, help us to respond to Your call to evangelise by using our gifts and talents and proclaim Jesus in faith and love to all people. Amen.

WEEKEND MASSES will take place at 6pm on Saturday and at 9am and 11am on Sunday.

The YouTube Links for this weekend's Masses are here:

6pm Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C:

<https://youtube.com/live/QYlyq613dh8?feature=share>

9am Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C:

<https://youtube.com/live/8SJehxmlBkM?feature=share>

Baptisms at the Most Holy Redeemer: If you are enquiring about having your child baptised at the Most Holy Redeemer then please contact the Parish Office so that we can put you in touch with a member of the Baptism Welcome Team.

MHR Flower arrangers If you would like to know more about this friendly group, please contact Esther Wilkins on 07702 139120.

Laminated Mass Cards with prayers of the Mass are available at the entrance to the church as an alternative to the Mass Books. They are also very helpful for visitors and for those who have just started coming to Mass.

Parish Grotto Opening: The Parish Grotto is now open every day from 8am until mid-afternoon.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK AT HOME, IN HOSPITAL AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME.

Please Pray for Fred Daly who is currently unwell and in hospital. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

Margaret Fuller RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Fuller (wife of Ian Fuller and mother of Mark & Nicola). Margaret's Requiem Mass will take place in the church at 11am on Tuesday 30th September. May she rest in peace

Catherine Crerar RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine Crerar. Catherine's Funeral Service will take place in the church at 12.30pm on Wednesday 1st October. May she rest in peace.

Roger Noble RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Roger Noble, a former parishioner. Details of his funeral in Norfolk will follow. May he rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES Betty Page, John Brentnall, Angel Saunders, Beryl Barr, Margaret Deane, Gregory Sweston, Joan Coughlin, Peter Patterson, Rachel Beat, Walter Shufflebottom, Anne O'Sullivan, Anthony Wilkinson and John Keating.

Clergy: Fr John Ryan and Fr Gordon Godfrey.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

PARISH OFFERTORY

Contactless Machine in the church porch: We now have a contactless machine in the church porch. If you normally gift aid your donations you will need to submit your details the first time you use the machine and then it will remember your information every time you use it subsequently provided that you use the same debit or credit card.

Gift Aid: A big thank you to all of you who are members of the Gift Aid scheme. If you are a taxpayer and you would like to join the scheme you can do so by picking up a form from the church or following this link on the parish website:

<https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/giftaid.php>

KIDS' CORNER

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rich	Man	Hear
Steward	Master	Draw
Begging	Strong	Dig
Welcome	Owe	Oil
Write	Money	Win
Servant	Slave	Little
Hate	Love	God

Mass Bags for Children. We have Mass bags available at all of the weekend parish Masses for children aged 1-3 and children aged 3 and older. The bags contain colouring books, pencils and soft toys. Please speak to the Welcomers before Mass if you would like to have one of the bags, specifying which bag you would like, and please make sure that at the end of Mass they are returned to the church porch so that other families are able to use them.

Toddler's and Children's Liturgy Toddler's and Children's Liturgy takes place at both the 9am and 11am Masses. A big thank you to all of our parishioners who give up their time to enable us to offer this service to families. If you would be interested in helping with Toddler's or Children's Liturgy please speak to Father Dan or email the Parish Office. Please note that because this involves working with children you will be required to apply for a DBS certificate issued by the diocese.

Baby Loss Awareness Week begins in October and on Tuesday 14th October, 8pm, we are offering a special service. It is for anyone who has lost a baby in pregnancy, at birth or in early years, whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago. Extended family and friends are also welcome. So we can get an idea of numbers for catering the service, please email the church office at billericay@brcdt.org - if you would like to attend or find out more

Church Cleaning this week will take place on Wednesday after Mass, any help you can give would be greatly appreciated.

ABC Course for adults who are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith If you are an adult who isn't a Catholic or if you are an adult Catholic who has not made their First Holy Communion or Confirmation, you are warmly invited to consider joining our ABC (About Becoming Catholic) course which will be beginning on Monday, 6th October at 8pm in the upstairs part of the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre (the building behind the church) For more information please email the Parish Office or speak to Fr Dan..

Deputy Head Teacher St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and suitably qualified Deputy Head Teacher. This is a reserved post and is open to practicing Catholics only. For more information about the position and to apply, please visit <https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=113291> We warmly welcome and encourage applicants to visit our school, please contact the School Business Manager, Teresa Lammin by phone 01277 653770 or email on finance@st-peters-pri.essex.sch.uk for more information. Closing date is 4pm on 30.09.25

Teaching Assistant 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

SAVE THE DATE! Parish Gift Day Saturday 22nd November It might seem a long way off but we need to start planning and preparing for our annual Parish Gift Day. If you would like to be involved, please contact the Parish Office.

Applications for Catholic Secondary Schools If you are applying for a place at a Catholic Secondary School and you require a Certificate of Catholic Practice please speak to Father Dan after one of the parish Masses to arrange an appointment to see him. **Appointments for Primary School Applications** will be announced at the end of September.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School Billericay, warmly invites parents who are applying for a Reception place for September 2026 intake, to an Open Morning on the following dates: Friday 3rd October, Tuesday 11th November, Tuesday 18th November and Thursday 8th January at 9.15am. Please contact the school office to book your place *01277 653770*.

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 Ursuline Catholic High School Open Evening will take place on Thursday 25th September, from 6.30pm to 9.00pm, and we will also be holding two Open Mornings on the 2nd and 3rd October. Additionally, if any of your parishioners have children currently attending schools in Wickford, Billericay, Rayleigh or South Woodham Ferrers, we would like to hear from them if they are potentially interested in a new school bus route covering these areas. Further information and a Notice of Interest form will be available at our open events. To book a place on one of the Open Mornings, parents can visit our Eventbrite page via our website. <https://www.brentwoodursuline.co.uk/admissions/admissions-welcome>

The Most Holy Redeemer Macmillan World's Largest Coffee Morning will take place on Friday 26th September from 9.30am-12pm in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre (lounge) behind the church. Please come and show your support towards a very worthy cause. There will be a large selection of cakes, a raffle and most importantly tea and coffee. We would be grateful for any donations to the raffle and most importantly **HOMEMADE** (or shop bought) **CAKES**. (Please bring to the hall in the morning). For those unable to attend, donations can also be sent via <https://cm25.macmillan.org.uk/fundraising/CM25047821>

Silent Weekend Retreat "Be Holy, for I am holy" at Sion Catholic Community, Brentwood. Dates: Friday 10th - Sunday 12th October 2025. Our theme focuses on the universal call to holiness. We are ALL called to be saints whatever rank or status. We may assume that this is a vocation reserved to the chosen few without understanding that each and every one of us is called to be holy and live a life of holiness. But what does living a life of holiness mean? How can we embrace this call and learn to live it as a reality? Our guest speaker for the weekend is Fr Emmanuel Mansford, CFR (Franciscan Friars of the Renewal). This silent weekend retreat offers us the opportunity to spend time with the Lord in quiet prayer and reflection. 40-HOURS of CONTINUOUS Adoration, guidance & ministry included. For more information or to book, visit <https://sioncommunity.org.uk/adults/#SilentRetreat> or email admin@sioncommunity.org.uk

Archbishop Saint Óscar Romero Archbishop John Wilson (Archbishop of Southwark), will be giving a Talk and Presentation on Saint Óscar Romero, in the Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall on Wednesday 8th October at 7.30pm. Titled: 'Preacher of Hope, The Life and Witness of St Óscar Romero.' Archbishop John has written a spiritual book on Saint Óscar entitled the 'Romero Rosary.' Copies will be available for purchase, and Archbishop John will sign them.

The Most Holy Redeemer Safeguarding Officer is Angela Sparke. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact Angela at: safeguarding-billericay@brcdt.org

DBS Update Service has changed its renewal process. Individuals must now log into their DBS Update Service account and actively renew their subscription *annually*, thereby ensuring subscribers actively confirm their continued participation a service. Subscribers will receive an email reminder 30 days before their renewal date, prompting them to renew their subscription. *If a subscription is not renewed before the expiry date, it will lapse, and the individual will need to apply for a new DBS.* Please could anyone on the update service look out for the reminder email around your renewal, to avoid having to replicate the entire DBS application. safeguarding-billericay@brcdt.org

Connect Groups Connect Groups are small faith sharing groups made up of parishioners who meet together regularly to pray and to support each other. If you would like to find out more about joining a Connect Group please email the Parish Office at billericay@brcdt.org or look at the Connect Groups noticeboard in the church porch.