## **MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY** 6.00 pm Catherine Price RIP (Anniv.)

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA (C) Remembrance Sunday

9<sup>th</sup> November 2025 9.00 am The Dead of the World Wars

11.00 am People of the Parish

MONDAY St Leo the Greate, Pope, Doctor

9.15 am Derry O'Sullivan RIP

TUESDAY St Martin of Tours, Bishop

10.15 am Ints of Padre Pio Prayer Group

WEDNESDAY St Josphat, Bishop, Martyr

9.15 am Deceased of Price/ Diamond Families

THURSDAY No Parish Mass

**FRIDAY** 9.15 am Leslie Heath RIP (Anniv.)

**SATURDAY** 6.00 pm Nick Hogg RIP (Anniv.)

THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY (YEAR C)

16<sup>th</sup> November 2025 9.00 am Ivor Stebbing RIP (Anniv.)

11.00 am People of the Parish

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** This week Parish Masses are at 9.15am on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 10.15am on Tuesday.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place this Sunday (9th November) at 5pm in the church. Exposition is also available to watch via the parish YouTube channel. The link to the livestream is below: <a href="https://youtube.com/live/rj8C6ipcA6k?feature=share">https://youtube.com/live/rj8C6ipcA6k?feature=share</a> If you wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the Holy Hour Fr Dan will be available to do so.

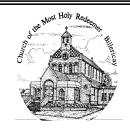
**Confessions:** There will be no Confessions on Saturdays 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> November however, confession will be available during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

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

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## THE DIDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA (C) 9th November 2025



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As a parish community we are committed to Growing Together in Faith & Love.

### A message from Fr Adrian Graffy:

It may come as a surprise that the celebration of the dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome displaces the usual Sunday celebration. There are two reasons for this: the basilica's primary dedication is to the Saviour, and, being the cathedral of Rome, it is the mother church of the Christian world and takes precedence even over St Peter's in the Vatican.

The basilica of 'St John Lateran', as it is also called, since it is dedicated also to St John the Baptist, was built in the fourth century by the Roman emperor Constantine. It became the church of the bishop of Rome. For many centuries the popes lived at the Lateran. Close by is the baptistry where Constantine was baptised.

Our gospel reading teaches us that Christ is the new temple. He is God among us. While the prophet Ezekiel sees the temple in Jerusalem as the place of the presence of God, from which blessings flow out to renew and revive creation, Jesus is the new temple from whom new life comes in abundance.

But it is not a building of stones that we celebrate today. We celebrate the presence of Christ among us, His people, in His church. St Paul tells us that we ourselves are God's building, God's temple: 'Did you not realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you?' The feast of this ancient basilica reminds us that we are 'living stones' and that we belong together in Christ's church.

Do I remember that I too am a temple of God, for the Holy Spirit has been given to me?

Do I value my membership of the Church, the new people of God in the world of today?

Let us thank God for the faith of those who have gone before us. Let us pray for new Christians that they may grow in the faith.

#### **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 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica:** https://youtube.com/live/vC5EDUZCAck?feature=share

**9am Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica:** https://youtube.com/live/IZTGQUlu6GY?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.

**Charles Newman RIP** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Charles Newman. Charles' Funeral will take place in Witney on the 18th November. May he rest in peace.

**Julie MacKenzie RIP** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Julie MacKenzie. Julie's funeral will take place on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 11am at Most Holy Redeemer. May she rest in peace.

#### WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

ANNIVERSARIES Ethel Reason, Edward Chiappe, Eileen Corking, Roy Underhill, Marie Louise Hill, Amy Moore, Teresa Whitcombe, Len Reason, John McCrone, Betty Skinner, Leslie Heath, Helen Folland, Joanne Hayes, Patricia Clark, Joe Hoare, Roger Hill, Bert O'Connor and James McCormick.

Clergy: Canon Denis Petry, Fr Terrence Howes and Fr James Allis.

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: <a href="https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/giftaid.php">https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/giftaid.php</a>

#### **PARISH REGISTRATION:**

If you are new to our Parish, or you are an existing parishioner, please could you take a few moments to complete the electronic registration form which is on our parish website:

https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/register2.php Adults who are living in the same household will need to complete separate registration forms in order for the database to recognise you as separate individuals.

You can scan the QR code and it will take you straight to the link!

# KIDS' CORNER

## THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

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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.

**Remembrance Sunday** At the end of the 9am and at the beginning of the 11am Masses we will be observing the 2 minutes silence for Remembrance Sunday.

Parish Christmas Fair: Saturday 22nd November It's only two weeks to go until our Christmas Fair which will be taking place in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre from 11am to 3pm. Thank you to all of you who have contributed items for the online raffle. We are still looking for donations of bottles, chocolate, luxury foods (suitable for Christmas hampers) and new toiletries. There is a box at the back of the church for all donations or alternatively you can drop them off to the Parish Office.

MHR Christmas Grand Draw is now live! Please follow the link or use the QR code to buy tickets for our online draw. The star prizes are an I-pad and £150 cash, plus many more prizes will be added over the coming weeks.



https://go.rallyup.com/mhr2025 . A very limited number of offline paper tickets will be available at the Gift Day on the 22nd November 2025.

Applications for Catholic Primary Schools If you are applying for a place at a Catholic Primary School for your child, you will need to see Father Dan. The appointments sheets are available at all of the weekend Parish Masses. Please note that this will be the last weekend that you will be able to make an appointment. When you see Father Dan, you will also need to bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate with you. Please make sure that you make a note of the time and the date of your appointment. All of the appointments will be in the Pastoral Centre behind the church.

November Month of the Holy Souls It has been a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church to pray for our dead during the month of November. If you have a loved one who has died who you would like to be remembered during the Masses in November, please take one of the November Dead Envelopes which are available in the church. Then write the name of the person you wish to be remembered on a piece of paper, place it in the envelope and place the envelope in the basket which will be in front of the altar. If you wish, you can also put a donation in the envelope.

Assisted Suicide: England The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill will enter Committee Stage in the House of Lords on 14 November. Catholics are being encouraged to write to peers to oppose the Bill. The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales has issued guidance on how to write to peers with reasons that can be emphasised in a letter. <a href="www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/news/bishops-urge-catholics-to-write-to-peers-on-assisted-dying-bill/">www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/news/bishops-urge-catholics-to-write-to-peers-on-assisted-dying-bill/</a>

Confirmation Information Evening at 7pm on Sunday, 23rd November If you are in school Year 9 or above and are interested in making your Confirmation in our parish next year, there will be an information evening taking place at 7pm on Sunday, 23rd November in the Pastoral Centre. You will be able to collect application forms and find out about the content of the course. For more information please speak to Father Dan after Mass.

Coffee Morning for Baptism Families: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November Parents of children being Baptised in our parish or have recently been Baptised are warmly invited to join the Baptism Welcome Team for a coffee morning. Refreshments will be in the Lounge of the Pastoral Centre after the 9.15am Mass on Monday 10th November. Some toys will be available for babies/toddlers

**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: Tuesday 11th November, Tuesday 18th November and Thursday 8th January at 9.15am. Please contact the school office to book your place *01277 653770*.

Parish Parent and Baby Group Babies and toddlers up to age two with their parents or carers are very welcome at our Parish Parent and Baby Group. We meet every Thursday morning during term time in the Small Hall. Drop in any time between 9.30 and 11.30am for a cuppa, a chat, and playtime for your little ones. Free of charge. We would love to see you!

Vacancy at St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and motivated Learning Support Assistant to join our team. For more information about the position and to apply, please visit <a href="https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=114330">https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=114330</a> Closing date is Midday on 10th November 2025. Visits to the school are welcomed and can be arranged by contacting the school office by phone 01277 653770 or email on admin@st-peters-pri.essex.sch.uk

## **Teaching Vacancies in Brentwood Diocese**

Headteacher-Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Benfleet
Closing date 10/11/25 Start date April 2026
https://assisicatholictrust.com/holy-family-headteacher/
Headteacher – Our Lady Immaculate School, Chelmsford
Deadline for applications: 12:00 (noon), Thursday 20th November 2025
2025-11-20 1200 Our-Lady-Immaculate-Primary-SchoolChelmsford Headteacher Job-Advert.pdf

**Learn To Pray Course Online** Would you like some tips to help your prayer life each day? The Diocesan Service Team are offering an online course running from Friday 14th November for six weeks until Friday 19th December from 7.30 to 9.00 pm. If you are interested in signing up for this course please follow this link: <a href="https://wkf.ms/3VcDEgI?text0">https://wkf.ms/3VcDEgI?text0</a>=

**Christmas Night Market** Saturday 15th November 4pm - 8pm at Sacred Heart of Mary Girls School, St Mary's Lane, Upminster. BBQ, Refreshments, Santa's Grotto, Carol Singing and over 30 stalls from local crafts people.

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Christmas Craft and Gift Fair Join us for a festive day of fun at the BCCS Christmas Craft and Gift Fair on Sunday, 16th November at the Mill Arts and Events Centre in Rayleigh. All proceeds from the event will go directly to support our work with children and families

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) will be selling their annual draw tickets after each Mass on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th November to help their work supporting the emotional health and wellbeing of children and young people in schools and with families across the Diocese. The draw takes place next month on Wednesday 17th December and winners will be contacted before Christmas. Thank you and good luck.

**Dei Verbum 60 years on CBAGB** Celebrated biblical scholar and translator Fr Nicholas King SJ will be considering how the document on the Bible of the Second Vatican Council - entitled Dei Verbum - continues to help us to read, study and pray the Scriptures. The talks, arranged by the Catholic Biblical Association, will take place at Christ the High Priest Catholic Church, Gidea Park, Romford RM2 6DH, from 11am on Saturday 22nd November 2025. Entrance is free. The talks will be livestreamed on <a href="https://www.whatgoodnews.org">www.whatgoodnews.org</a> and a recording of the talks will be made available subsequently on the same website.

Foreign Currency for 'Mary's Meals': Please donate any unwanted currency or any UK notes and coins that are no longer legal tender to the Parish Office. 'Mary's Meals', is a charity which helps to provide nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest countries. www.marysmeals.org.uk

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.