

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Leslie Burnett RIP
<b>TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)</b>		
<b>21<sup>st</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	David Thomas RIP
	<b>11.00 am</b>	People of the Parish
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>SS JOHN FISHER &amp; THOMAS MORE, Martyrs</b>	
	<b>9.15am</b>	Michael Farrell RIP
	<b>11.00am</b>	Sean Hill (Funeral Service)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>10.15am</b>	James Mills RIP
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</b>	
	<b>9.15am</b>	Dorothy & Frank Johnson RIP
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<i>No Parish Mass</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<i>No Parish Mass</i>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Patricia Harris RIP
<b>THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)</b>		
<b>28<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>11.00 am</b>	Larry Barry RIP

**Weekday Masses:** Weekday Masses this week are at 9.15am on Monday and Wednesday and at 10.15am on Tuesday. Please note that there is no Parish Mass this Thursday (25th June).

**Confession this Saturday:** Fr Dan will be hearing Confessions from 11am to 12pm in the church this Saturday (20th June).

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Sunday (21st June):**  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the church from 5pm to 6pm this Sunday (21st June). It is also available to watch via our parish YouTube channel by following this link: <https://youtube.com/live/-83TDtpYd30?feature=share>

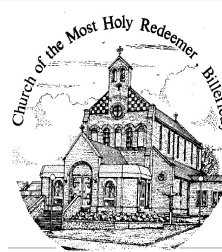
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**The Most Holy Redeemer Safeguarding Officer** is Angela Sparke. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact Angela at: [safeguarding-billericay@brcdt.org](mailto:safeguarding-billericay@brcdt.org)

**Hall Bookings** The booking officer is Anna Sloper who can be contacted by e-mail [canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com)

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

21<sup>st</sup> June 2026



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

### **A message from Fr Adrian Graffy:**

In today's gospel we continue reading the Missionary Discourse of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Jesus encourages the apostles to speak out and foresees the persecution of the missionaries. He urges the disciples to remember the providential love of God.

In words reminiscent of the Sermon on the Mount, He points to the Father's care even for the well-being of sparrows. At the same time He recognises that great courage is necessary to preach the gospel. It is not easy to shout the truth from the house-tops. It is not easy to declare oneself for Christ in the presence of those who ridicule and mock religion. The gospel reading invites us to ponder on the thousands of Christians who have spoken up for their faith at the risk of losing their lives, not only in distant centuries but also in our own day.

The first reading considers the words of Jeremiah who was persecuted for preaching the truth of God. He speaks of his distress, but also of his trust in the Lord who will protect him. The prophetic mission of Jeremiah and his fidelity amid suffering help us to understand the mission and suffering of Christ.

Our passage from the Letter to the Romans is of great significance. St Paul explains that while our first parents opened the gates for sin to enter into the world, the actions of Jesus Christ brought the free gift of life and salvation.

*Do I have the courage to speak up for Christ when others mock my religion?*

*Do I trust in the providential care of the Father?*

*We pray for all those who speak up for the Christian message at the risk of their lives.*

*We pray for faith and courage amid all the difficulties of life.*

## 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 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A:**

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

**9am 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A:**

<https://youtube.com/live/h6IWHla01cs?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.

**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](mailto:billericay@brcdt.org) or look at the Connect Groups noticeboard in the church porch.

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

**Sean Hill RIP:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sean Hill, the son of Agnes Hill. Sean's Funeral Service will be at 11am on Monday, 22nd June. May he rest in peace.

**Paul Byrne RIP:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Paul Byrne, the husband of Pat Byrne. Paul's Requiem Mass is going to take place in the church at 11am on Thursday, 2nd July.

**Pat Thomson RIP:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pat Thomson who died recently. Pat's Requiem Mass is going to be at 11am on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> July, and she will be received into the church at 4pm on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> July. May she rest in peace.

## WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

**ANNIVERSARIES** Esmé Davies, Anna Spark, Anne Crawley, Elizabeth McSweeney, Christie Barham, Edward Jewell, Mary Foley, Elsie Bourne, Elizabeth Eve, Mary Flynn, Joseph McCreanor and Kieran Mallen.

**Clergy:** Fr Edward Thomas and Canon James Dacey.

**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>

## 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 above and it will take you straight to the link!



# KIDS' CORNER

## TWELFTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A

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Dark	Daylight	Whispers
Fear	Counted	Men
Ground	Hell	Head
Declare	Father	Hair
Buy	Penny	Two
Destroy	Jesus	Clear

**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.

**Happy Father's Day** We wish all fathers, step fathers, grandfathers and great grandfathers a very happy Father's Day.

### Father Dan away next Saturday (27<sup>th</sup> June)

Please note that Father Dan will be away from the parish next Saturday (27<sup>th</sup> June). We welcome Fr John McGrath who will be returning to celebrate the 6pm Parish Mass on that day. Because Fr Dan is away the 6pm Saturday Mass will not be livestreamed.

**Day for Life** The retiring collection this weekend is for 'Day for Life'. The bishops' message can be found on the Day for Life website: [www.dayforlife.org](http://www.dayforlife.org)

**GIFT Mass and Barbecue: Saturday, 4th July** If you have a child who is going to be in school years 3-6 in September and you would like to take part in our GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) sessions, you are warmly invited to a Mass and barbecue that will be taking place at 1pm on Saturday, 4th July. At the Mass you will hear more about how the GIFT sessions work and how GIFT can be a pathway to celebrating the sacraments of reconciliation and First Holy Communion. There will also be application forms available for you to take away as well as an opportunity to speak to families who have already been coming to the GIFT sessions. For catering purposes, please email the Parish Office at [billericay@brcdt.org](mailto:billericay@brcdt.org) if you are planning to attend on the 4th July.

**ABC (About Becoming Catholic): Our new course begins on Monday, 14th September.** Our ABC (About Becoming Catholic) course is for adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. This includes anyone who is not Catholic and any baptised Catholics who, for whatever reason, may not have made their First Holy Communion or Confirmation as children. Our new course will be beginning at 8pm on Monday, 14th September in the upstairs part of the Pastoral Centre and we would love for you to take part in this. For more information, please speak to Fr Dan at the end of Mass.

**Youth Hub Fundraising Auction** In the next few weeks, we are launching an online auction of promises to raise money for our Youth Hub. Can you donate a skill, a service or a unique experience which we can auction to the highest bidder? For example, gardening, baking a birthday cake or delicious meal, a handmade craft, use of a holiday home, tickets to a sporting event or to the theatre, IT support, shopping or beauty voucher etc... If you have any ideas or wish to donate a promise or voucher, please contact [clarelouisewallis@gmail.com](mailto:clarelouisewallis@gmail.com).

**Parish Volunteers Thanksgiving Mass: 7.30pm on Friday, 3rd July** On Friday, 3rd July at 7.30pm we will be having a Mass of Thanksgiving for all of our parish volunteers followed by a gathering in the Pastoral Centre afterwards. If you assist in the parish in any way and would like to come to the Mass please contact the Parish Office for catering purposes.

**Kids Club 2026** Due to building works taking place at the Youth Hub during the summer break, it has been decided that Kid's Club will not run this summer. We appreciate that this may be disappointing, and we sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. However, we are excited about the long-term benefits these improvements will bring. Our hope is that, by creating a dedicated youth space where children and young people can stay connected, we will be able to serve our families even more effectively in the years ahead. We believe this new space will become a central part of our work. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

**Request for help with social media** Do you have experience in digital marketing/publicity or multimedia? Would you be able to help the parish publicise our events and activities to a wider digital audience? If so, please could you email the Parish Office at [billericay@brcdt.org](mailto:billericay@brcdt.org) with your details so that we can set up a small working group.

**Safeguarding Training for Parish Volunteers:** The Diocese has advised that anyone volunteering in a role that requires a DBS is asked to complete the Level 2 training. The training can be accessed through the Diocesan Safeguarding page: <https://www.brentwoodsafeguarding.org/training> When you start your training, you will be asked to register, to allow the Diocese to keep a record of those who have completed their training.

**Garden volunteers for Walsingham House at Abbotswick:** Walsingham House at Abbotswick is set in 14 acres of land which require a lot of care. There is an amazing team of grounds volunteers who help every Tuesday to maintain the gardens and keep everything thriving. It would be wonderful to extend the team, so if you have some free time on a Tuesday, whether it's an hour or two or a whole day and would like to get involved please contact [clairebailey@brcdt.org](mailto:clairebailey@brcdt.org) or just come along on a Tuesday morning and get involved!

**Billericay Talks:** A new group in Billericay for older people who are missing intellectual and social stimulation. Interesting speakers on a range of subjects. Open to all, but designed to be particularly suitable for people living with dementia. Meetings on 2nd Friday of every month, held at The Chantry Centre, CM11 2BB. For more information please email [Billericay@Uniteinkindness.co.uk](mailto:Billericay@Uniteinkindness.co.uk)

**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!

**Church Cleaners Needed** Are you able to give up a couple of hours to keep our church looking beautiful? We have two cleaning teams which clean the church on alternate weeks and both are looking for more people. If you are able to help please contact the parish office at [billericay@brcdt.org](mailto:billericay@brcdt.org) and we can give you more information about what is involved.

**The WeBelieve Festival is back!** WeBelieve Festival brings thousands together to encounter Christ in His Church. It's an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to grow in authentic community, and to encounter the transforming love of God. Join us from Friday 24 – Monday 27 July at St Mary's College, Oscott for this amazing Catholic festival. There will be a wide-ranging programme including Mass, talks, workshops, prayer, music and opportunities to connect with others from across the UK. Whether you come for a day or the whole weekend, all are welcome." Find out more: [www.webelievifestival.com](http://www.webelievifestival.com)

**St John Bosco Children's Camp Summer 2026** Applications are now open for children currently in school year 5 – 7 (i.e. aged 9-12 in August 2026) to spend a week at camp. 25th July – 1st August or 1st – 8th August. Activities include archery, fishing, AquaPark visit, football, kayaking and much more. The camp is especially for children who may not otherwise have a summer holiday. Suggested donation £200, but full bursaries are available. All application details are at <https://boscocamp.co.uk>. Places are likely to go quickly – early applications are encouraged.

**The Holy Land: Gift or Entitlement? A talk at Gidea Park** For decades the struggle over the Land has led to conflict in the Middle East. How should believers interpret the biblical texts related to the Land? Our renowned speaker, Fr John Deehan, is a Scripture scholar, who taught for many years at Allen Hall Seminary. Fr John will speak on Saturday 4th July from 11 am until 1 pm, with break for lunch, at Christ the Eternal High Priest Catholic Church, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. Admission free. Coffee from 10.30. The event will also be available via live stream on [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org)

**The Legacy of St Francis** A fully edited version of the recent talk given by Fr Alban McCoy OFM Conv to mark eight hundred years since the death of St Francis of Assisi is now available free of charge from the home page of [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org) The talk was given at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park on 2nd May.

**BCYS Youth Mass** The next Youth Mass will take place at Brentwood Cathedral on 2nd July. It is open to any young people from around the Diocese to enjoy pizza, prayer, workshops and celebrate Mass together! For more information, please visit [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events)