

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00pm	Mrs Yvonne Wilson RIP
THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR A)		
25th October 2026	9.00 am	Sean Owen RIP <i>(from the Readers)</i>
	11.00 am	Deceased Catenians & Widows
MONDAY	SS Cedd & Chad, Bishops	
	9.15am	Dennis Dear RIP
TUESDAY	10.15am	John O'Malley RIP
WEDNESDAY	SS Simon and Jude, Apostles	
	9.15am	Ints of Padre Pio Prayer Group
THURSDAY	9.15am	Margaret Fuller RIP <i>(Hasson)</i>
FRIDAY		<i>No Parish Mass</i>
SATURDAY	6.00pm	People of the Parish
ALL SAINTS (YEAR A)		
1st November 2026	9.00 am	James Sheridan RIP (Anniv.)
	11.00 am	Theo Dawson RIP

Weekday Masses: Weekday Masses this week are at 9.15am on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and at 10.15am on Tuesday.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the church at 5pm this Sunday (25th October).

If you would like to watch it via our livestream you can do so by following this link: <https://youtube.com/live/gY5MLzSJh34?feature=share>

Saturday Confessions: Saturday Confessions take place as usual from 11am to 12pm in the church.

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

Parish Family Life Co-ordinator Kristin De Freitas
Email: kristindefreitas@brcdt.org Mobile: 07492910138.

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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY (YEAR A)

25th October 2026



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

A message from Fr Adrian Graffy:

Jesus' discussions with the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue in this gospel passage. The question about the law is asked according to this evangelist in order to 'disconcert' Jesus. The reply is Jesus' own summary of what the law of God requires, and it has become accepted as a brief expression of the whole moral law. His reply leaves them without anything to say.

If we return to the ancient expression of the law of God in the Ten Commandments we find no explicit reference to love of God and love of neighbour. Jesus draws together all the commandments under these two headings. What does Jesus mean by love? Love of God is our grateful response to the love shown by God throughout the history of salvation. Love of neighbour is illustrated in our first reading, from the book of Exodus, with its explicit instructions from the law about caring for those in need, the stranger, the widow, the orphan. Our actions must be guided by concern for the real good of others, and an awareness of their needs. We may notice that Jesus does not refer to the love He himself shows. It is not until the Gospel of John, with its profound reflection on the actions of Jesus, that we hear Jesus saying: 'Love one another as I have loved you.' (John 13:34)

It is in His self-giving death on the cross that His love comes to a climax. This supreme act of love is the model for the love Christians must show. The love shown by the Son of God in going to His death, which is present for us in the Eucharist, draws us into deeper love, for God and for neighbour. St Paul continues in the first letter to the Thessalonians to praise their Christian witness. Their lives, which have been renewed by faith, have drawn others to the gospel. 'The news of your faith in God has spread everywhere! writes Paul. They now live in expectation of the return of the risen Christ.

Do I attempt to follow Christ's commands of love in my daily life?

Do I endeavour to imitate in some way the self-giving love of Christ? We thank God for the new law of love.

We pray for all Christians whose example gives us encouragement.

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 Link for this weekend's Mass is here:

6pm 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A:

<https://youtube.com/live/sTxjDds0MoM?feature=share>

9am 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A:

https://youtube.com/live/g0LRjdC_VmA?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 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.

Roy Field RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Roy Field. Roy's Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday, 4th November at 11am in the church. May he rest in peace.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

ANNIVERSARIES Dorothy Driscoll, Harry Lockwood, Ethel Adams, Lauraine Kirtley, Jim Tobin, Winnie Watts, Gladys O'Rourke, Charles Freeman, Dennis Dear, Parrick McCarty, Patrick Lydon, Derek Butler and Fernand Reynier.

Clergy: Mgr Daniel Shanahan, Fr (James) Kieran Dodd, Fr George Steadman, Fr Stephen Wyatt, Fr William Laveland, Canon Thomas Bishop and Canon Richard Gay.

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

30th Sunday of Year A

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JESUS	QUESTION	HEARD
MASTER	LAW	LOVE
LORD	HEART	SOUL
COMMANDMENT	MIND	FIRST
NEIGHBOUR	TWO	HANG
PROPHETS	PHARISEES	MUST
SILENCED	GREATEST	WHOLE

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.

Clocks change this Sunday: Please note that the clocks go back an hour this Sunday (25th October).

Christian Meditation: Our Christian Meditation course entitled "Preparation for Advent" continues this Tuesday (27th October). There will be 2 groups: The morning group will start at 12.00 pm and the evening group will start at 7.30 pm. The duration of each session is for 1 hour and 30 minutes. The meetings will be held in the Pastoral Centre. Please bring your bible with you and a notebook and pen. If you would like to attend please email the Parish Office (billericay@brcdt.org) and in the email confirm whether you wish to attend the morning or evening session. Thank you. Janet and Ed Harvey

Confirmation Information Evening at 7pm on Sunday, 22nd November If you are in school Year 9 or above and you are interested in making your Confirmation in our parish next year, there will be an information evening taking place at 7pm on Sunday, 22nd November in the Pastoral Centre. You will be able to collect application forms and find out about the content of the course. Please note that all Confirmation candidates are expected to be attending Mass on a regular (ie weekly) basis in order to be prepared to receive the sacrament.

Primary School Applications: If you are applying for a Catholic Primary School, there are forms available at the end of all of the Parish Masses this weekend to make an appointment to see Father Dan. Please make a note of the time and the date of your appointment and please make sure that you bring your child's baptism certificate with you to the appointment. All of the appointments will take place in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre.

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, you will be able to take one of the November dead Envelopes which will be available in the church from the weekend of the 24th/25th October. 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.

Memorial Mass for Deceased Parishioners: 7.30pm on Friday, 13th November This is our annual Mass to remember all those parishioners who have died in the previous year. All are welcome to attend.

Blessing of Graves at Burstead Cemetery: 3pm on Sunday, 15th November On Sunday, 15th November at 3pm there will be the annual blessing of graves at Great Burstead Cemetery. If you would like to attend the blessing of graves we would ask you to gather in the cemetery for a short service and then make your way to the grave you wish to be blessed.

Parish Christmas Fair Saturday, 28th November. The Grand Draw is now LIVE! Follow the QR code or link: <https://go.rallyup.com/mhr2026> to buy your tickets. The prize list is not final and as ever, we would be extremely grateful for donations of raffle prizes. In particular we are looking for donations of bottles, chocolate, luxury foods (suitable for Christmas hampers) and new toiletries. Please drop into the Parish Office. Thank you!



Save the date! 14th November 7pm, Autumn Musical Melody Night featuring a Fun Quiz, the fabulous Ladybirds singing group and a Raffle. Dress up for a fun night! Tickets £10, venue Canon Roche Hall, bring your own drinks and nibbles. Proceeds to the Most Holy Redeemer Youth Hub Contact Esther Wilkins for tickets 07702139120.

Christmas Cards are now available in the Repository as well as Christmas gifts. The Repository will be open after all Masses in November and the cards will also be on sale at the Christmas Fair on the 28th November.

Christmas Concert Join the Parish musicians for a short concert of seasonal favourites. 5.00 pm on Sunday 29th November. In aid of the Youth Hub. Put the date in your diary now!!

Toddlers and Children's Liturgy Toddlers and Children's Liturgy is taking place at the 9am and 11am Masses this Sunday. A big thank you to all of our catechists who enable us to run this service. If you are interested in joining the team, please speak to Father Dan or email the Parish Office at billericay@brcdt.org

Please follow and engage with our new public Facebook page. Search for "The Catholic Parish of Most Holy Redeemer, Billericay". Please comment and share our posts, and invite your Facebook friends to follow the page. A simple step as missionary disciples in our digital world.

BCCS Wine Tasting Join us for a special evening hosted by industry expert Joe Sagnella. A wide range of wines will be available to sample, with complimentary cheese and nibbles provided. Expand your palette, answer quiz questions and socialise - all in aid of BCCS. £25/person - Friday 30th October - 19:00 - Canon Roche Hall Scan to book or contact mdillane@bccs.org.uk Ray 07789 885804



St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School, Hutton Reception 2027 Parent Tours Prospective parents are warmly invited to visit and see the school in action, and find out more about Reception 2027. Thursday, 5th & Tuesday, 10th November 9.15am Wednesday, 18th and Monday, 23rd November 2.00pm Please call the school office on 01277 227 282 to book a place.

Ursuline 6th Form Open Evening on Thursday, 5th November from 6.30pm to 8.30pm, with the Headteacher's talk at 6.30pm. For more information, please visit <https://www.brentwoodursuline.co.uk/>

Sacred Heart of Mary 6th Form Open Evening Join us at Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School 6th Form Open Evening on Thursday, 12 November 2026, from 6–8pm. Discover the exciting opportunities available, explore our courses and facilities, and find out what makes our Sixth Form a fantastic place to learn, grow and plan for the future. We look forward to welcoming prospective students and their families! <https://www.sacredheartofmary.net/>

Gift Aid Gift Aid forms are available at the side entrance and in the church porch. These forms need to be completed and returned to Father Dan or to the Parish Office. If you are a taxpayer, please think seriously about joining our Gift Aid scheme because by gift-aiding your donations it means that we are able to claim an additional £2.50 for every £10 that you give to the parish at no extra cost to you. If you would like more information about the benefits of Gift Aiding your donations, please visit the Gift Aid section on the parish website: <https://www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk/giftaid.php>

170th Anniversary Year History of St Edward the Confessor Catholic Church, Romford. This new booklet is full of facts and insights about one of the oldest parish churches in the Diocese. The cost is £7 including postage. If you would like a copy please email romford@brcdt.org

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!

Reading the Bible Through Advent & Christmas Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest of Gidea Park and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, has just published Reading the Bible through Advent and Christmas. This new book includes commentary on all the Scripture readings for Mass throughout these two seasons. Full information about the book can be found on the homepage of the website www.whatgoodnews.org

The Call to be Human: Is love all you need? A talk to be given by Fr Martin Boland. Wednesday 28th October 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. in the parish centre of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead. All welcome. www.ourladyoflourdes.com

Youth Hub If you would like to support the Youth Hub building project you can do so by using the donations machine in the church porch and selecting "Youth Hub" or by setting up a bank transfer to the parish with your donation marked "Youth Hub". Thank you to all of you who have already contributed to this project.