

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00 pm	George Chitty RIP (Anniv)	
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH (YEAR A)			
28th December 2025	9.00 am	People of the Parish	
	11.00 am	Ints of the Higgerty Family	
<i>No Parish Masses from Monday, 29th December to Friday, 2nd January</i>			
SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Terence & Ron Plumer RIP	
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY (YEAR A)			
4th January 2026	9.00 am	Eileen Finnegan RIP	(S. Allen)
	11.00 am	People of the Parish	
MONDAY	9.15 am	Bert Suffield RIP	
TUESDAY	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD		
	10.30am	Betty Hayward RIP	
	8.00pm	Grace Gilpin RIP (Anniv.)	
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am	Maureen Martin	
THURSDAY	<i>No Parish Mass</i>		
FRIDAY	9.15 am	Noel Hayward RIP	
SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Alice Hood RIP (Anniv.)	
BAPTISM OF THE LORD (YEAR A)			
11th January 2026	9.00 am	Eileen Finnagin RIP	(Waters)
	11.00 am	People of the Parish	

No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, 28th December or Sunday, 4th January. Exposition will resume on Sunday, 11th January at 5pm.

No Confessions on Saturday 27th December. Confessions will resume on Saturday 3rd January between 11am and midday.

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

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

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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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY 4th Jan 2026



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

A message from Fr Dan:

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus our Saviour this Christmas I would like to say welcome to all of you who have chosen to join us at the Most Holy Redeemer this year.

Whether you are visiting Billericay, have recently moved into our parish, are returning to church or you are an existing parishioner, we are delighted that you are here worshipping with us and we pray that you are able to experience the joy and the peace that Jesus gave to us when He came into our world as a baby.

When you came into the church our Welcomers would have given you a booklet with the hymns and the carols that we will be singing during the Service.

If you have any questions about our parish or about the Service please don't hesitate to ask the Welcomers or speak to me after Mass. As you leave the church we invite all our visitors to take away a free bookmark which has more information about the parish and a scripture passage written on it.

If you would like to discover more about what our parish has to offer you can subscribe to our weekly email which is sent out at the beginning of each week (the link is on our parish website: www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk) On the website you will also find our weekly newsletter and the online parish register.

I wish all of you a very happy and blessed Christmastide and I hope that we will be able to see you again sometime in the New Year.

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:

27th/28th DECEMBER

6pm Feast of the Holy Family Year A:

<https://youtube.com/live/c5hlPwMwppE?feature=share>

9am Feast of the Holy Family Year A:

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

3rd/ 4th JANUARY

6pm Second Sunday after the Nativity:

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

9am Second Sunday after the Nativity:

<https://youtube.com/live/r3fHj5Ymvvk?feature=share>

6th JANUARY

10.30am Feast of the Epiphany

<https://youtube.com/live/6LBOEmbTLY8?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.

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

Sean Owen RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sean Owen. When we have confirmation about the funeral arrangements, we will announce them at the Masses and in the weekly email and parish newsletter. May he rest in peace and rise to eternal glory.

Cathy Brand RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Cathy Brand. Details of her funeral will be announced at the Masses and in the weekly email and parish newsletter. May she rest in peace and rise to eternal glory.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

ANNIVERSARIES Margaret Reardon, Madge Smith, Lorna Lawrence, George Pritchard, Irene Redgrave, Mary Peskett, Gerry Conlon, Georgie Chitty, Grace Gilpin, John Trinnaman, Joan Miller, Margaret Tyler, Christopher Flack, Ted Mason, Una Garrick, Mary Cronjaeger, Mary Field, Cicely Sole, Michael Enright, Margaret Brightman, Veronica Harper, David Steggles, Ronald Plumer, Gergory Canty, Jerry Lyons, Bernard Tayloer, Frederick Stocks, Daniel Sullivan, Ivy Butler, Charles Crasto, Alic Fallon, Ida Callcott, Clive Sage, Bill Smith and Eileen Stannard.

Clergy: Canon John Byrne, Fr Brian Reeves, Pope Benedict XVI, Canon Patrick McKenna, Fr Francis Heenan, Fr Michael Butler and Canon John Bloomfield.

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

Feast of the Holy Family A

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Magi
Joseph
Spirit
Herod
Judea
Nazareth

Mother
Child
Angel
Jesus
Archelaus
Flee

Mary
Holy
Egypt
Israel
Galilee
Dream

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.

Thank You from Fr Dan Fr Dan would like to say a big thank you to all of you for your Christmas cards, gifts and best wishes.

Christina Fimm We are delighted to welcome Christina Fimm, a German Parish Worker from the Archdiocese of Munich, who will be coming to our parish on a 6 month placement. Christina will be introducing herself at all of the Masses on the weekend of the 10th and 11th January.

Weekday Masses Please note that after Christmas there won't be any weekday Masses on Friday, 26th December and from Monday, 29th December to Friday, 2nd January.

The Parish Office will be open on Monday 29th December and Friday 2nd January. Normal hours will return from Monday 5th January.

Feast of the Epiphany: Tuesday, 6th January On Tuesday, 6th January we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany which is a Holy Day of Obligation. On that day Masses will be celebrated at 10.30am and at 8pm. The livestream link to the 10.30am Mass is here: <https://youtube.com/live/6LBOEmbTLY8?feature=share>

Dear friends of the Wise Men. It is incredible how the days and the weeks fly by, and we are once again preparing for the arrival of Baby Jesus and, of course, of the Wise Men. So it is my pleasure to invite all the Spanish and Portuguese speaking parishioners to Claudia and Graeme's house on January the 3rd to celebrate Epiphany from 1.30 to 4.30pm. Please confirm that you are able to come and also what you would like to bring to share. For more information, contact Macarena on 07717475687 or send me a message.

Queridos Amigos de los Reyes Magos Parece mentira como los días y las semanas vuelan y estamos nuevamente preparando la venida del Niño Jesús y porsupuesto de los Reyes Magos. Con tal motivo estoy muy feliz de poder invitar a los feligreses que hablan español o portugués a la casa de Claudia y Graeme el día Sábado 3 de Enero de 1.30 a 4.30pm para celebrar Epifanía. Por favor confirmar asistencia y también que podrían traer para compartir. Para mayor información ponerse en contacto con Macarena ya sea por mensaje o llamada al 07717475687

Bishop Thomas McMahon's Requiem Mass: If you would like to watch the Mass, the link is below: <https://www.shealolin.co.uk/bishop-thomas>

SUNDAY MISSALS are now available in the repository.

Prayer Ministry Training: Saturday, 10th January We are planning to introduce Prayer Ministry once a month for any parishioner who would like to be prayed for. This will be beginning from February 2026 onwards. If you would like to be part of the Prayer Ministry team there will be training offered on Saturday, 10th January in the Pastoral Centre from 10am to 12pm. For more information, please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr Dan at the end of Mass.

Christmas Offerings As is the custom, your offerings at the Christmas Masses are your personal gift to the Parish Priest. Please note that due to finance regulations any Standing Order contributions can only be donations to the parish and cannot be part of the priest's Christmas offering unless specifically stated "**Christmas**". Offerings may be made at Mass through the contactless Dona machine or posted through the door of the Priest's House marked "**Christmas**" with Gift Aid number if appropriate. Cheques should be payable to Catholic Church Billericay and will be dealt with by the office staff. Alternatively, a bank transfer can be made. See under Gift Aid and Standing Orders for details.
Thank You. The Parish Finance Committee.

Parish Leadership Summit: Saturday, 24th January All leaders of groups and ministries within our parish are warmly invited to come to a Parish Leadership Summit which will be taking place from 9.30am-12pm in the Pastoral Centre on Saturday, 24th January. During the Summit we will be exploring the theme of multiplication and seeing how our groups and ministries can be more outward facing in order to live out our parish vision of making disciples, working together and growing in love and fellowship.

Youth Hub is the Parish project to transform Meeting Room 1 in the Pastoral Centre into a Youth Hub. If you would like to donate to the Youth Hub fund you can do so by bank transfer using the following details:

Name of Payee: *Catholic Church Billericay*

Bank: *HSBC High Street, Brentwood Essex*

Sort Code: *40-13-22*

Account Number: *91019902*

Reference: *YOUTH HUB*

Please remember to **add the reference** so that we can allocate your donation appropriately.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School Billericay warmly invites parents who are applying for a Reception place for September 2026 intake, to the final Open Morning on Thursday 8th January at 9.15am. Please contact the school office to book your place *01277 653770*.

St. Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay are seeking to appoint an Administration Assistant to join our School Office team. For more information about the position and to apply, please visit:

<https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=115226>

Closing date is Midday on Monday 5th January 2026. 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

Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! You are warmly welcomed to an evening of praise and worship, including mass and adoration. Save the dates: Friday 16th of January and Friday 13th of February 2026. Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm, including refreshments after. Venue: The Blessed Sacrament Church, 116 Melbourne Avenue, CM12DU, Chelmsford. Bring your friends! Organised by the CDSC (Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion).

Lourdes with our Diocese Join Bishop Alan and pilgrims from across our diocese in Lourdes next summer: Friday 17th - Friday 24th July 2026. Booking details will be available in the new year.

Walsingham House Team 26/27 Applications are now open for the Walsingham House Team 26/27. Being on the team is a wonderful opportunity to work with young people from across the diocese, live in community and to share and deepen our faith. Applications are open to those aged 18-23 (current Yr13 and above). For more information including the application form please see the website <https://bcys.net/whabbotswick/be-on-team/> or email michaelkearns@brcdt.org. Applications close on Friday 16th January 2026.

Brentwood Diocesan Directories 2026 The new Brentwood Diocesan Directories are now on sale in the church porch for £2 each.

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!

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