

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	People of the Parish
<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, (YEAR A)</b>		
<b>17<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	Peter Nowak RIP & Ellen & Harold Penisten RIP
	<b>11.00 am</b>	Pat Dawson RIP
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>9.15 am</b>	John Flannery RIP
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>10.15am</b>	Cathy Brand RIP
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	Albert Water RIP (Anniv.)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	Iris & John Chapman RIP
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<i>No Parish Mass</i>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Mary Foley RIP (Anniv.)
<b>PENTECOST (YEAR A)</b>		
<b>24<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	Eugine P. King RIP & Carmen Andrews RIP
	<b>11.00 am</b>	People of the Parish

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

**Confession this Saturday:** Confessions take place this Saturday (23rd May) from 11am to 12pm in the church.

**No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Sunday (17th May):** Please note that there is no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Sunday (17th May). Exposition will resume at 5pm on Sunday, 24th May.

**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)

**Parish Family Life Co-ordinator** Kristin De Freitas  
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**Hall Bookings** The booking officer is Anna Sloper who can be contacted by e-mail [canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com)

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A)

17<sup>th</sup> May 2026



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

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

The gospel reading from St John contains the opening words of the prayer that the evangelist attributes to Jesus at the Last Supper, on the night before He died.

Jesus speaks of the hour, towards which His whole life has been directed. Jesus prays that the Father will glorify Him. This will happen through His death and resurrection, and the subsequent raising of Christ, with His risen humanity, to the presence of God.

Through this Easter mystery eternal life is bestowed on those who believe. The work of Jesus is now complete, and He prays for those who through His preaching have come to know the Father's name. He distinguishes them from the world which does not know or accept Him. These true disciples have realized that Jesus comes from the Father and that His teaching is true and reliable. Jesus stresses that His prayer is for those who believe and not for the world.

While Jesus is soon to leave this world, His faithful followers will remain to continue His work. They will be supported by the prayer of Christ to the Father.

*What does Jesus mean when He says He is glorified?*

*How best can we hold firm to the teaching Jesus has given us?*

*Pray that the Church will be always aware of the prayer of Christ on our behalf.*

*Pray for strong faith which trusts that where Jesus has gone we too will follow*

## 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:

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**6pm Seventh Sunday of Easter Year A:**

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

**9am Seventh Sunday of Easter Year A:**

<https://youtube.com/live/gJC6d9xnhpU?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.**

**Philip Ellis RIP:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Philip Ellis. Philip's Funeral Service will take place at 11am on Monday, 1st June in the church. May he rest in peace.

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

**ANNIVERSARIES** Creinne Chiappe, Pat Hunter, Patricia Burke, Anthony Lidlow, Norman Hinson, Ann Hollis, Sarah Kemp, Maureen O'Grady, Patricia Rawlinson, Mary Kathleen Diffley and Alexander Torrice.

**Clergy:** Fr John William Hayes, Fr Paul Dynan, Canon Thomas Clarke, Canon Michael Fitzpatrick, Fr Brendan Sheppard, Mgr Canon William O'Grady, Pope Francis and Fr Henry Peace.

**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

## 6th Sunday of Easter

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Commandments

Love

Spirit

Truth

Know

Orphans

Leave

Back

Short

Disciples

Live

Day

Advocate

World

Keeps

Receives

Jesus

Time

Understand

Father

Show

**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.

**Missio Red Box Donations Spring Collection** At all of the Masses this weekend those of you who support the work of Missio through the Red Boxes will have an opportunity to collect your envelopes. A big thank you to Mike Dempsey, our Missio Co-ordinator, for organising this.

**Welcome Ministry:** This weekend members of our Welcome Ministry will be speaking about what they do and inviting you to consider taking part in it by joining the team of Welcomers.

**Bishop Alan's Visitation: Wednesday, 10th June** On Wednesday, 10th June we will be welcoming Bishop Alan to our parish. During the course of his visit, Bishop Alan will be confirming our young people during a Confirmation Mass at 7.30pm in the church followed by a reception in the Pastoral Centre afterwards. Please pray for all of our young people who are going to be confirmed by Bishop Alan.

**Evangelisation Training & Outreach Follow Up: Saturday, 13th June from 9.30am-11.30am.** For all of those parishioners who attended the Evangelisation Training Day with Maria Heath on Saturday, 25th April, you are invited to come to a follow up event from 9.30am-11.30am on Saturday, 13th June in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre. On this day we will be sharing our experiences of faith sharing and considering what we can do to build on the momentum that was generated on the 25th April.

**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.

**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!

**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.

**Kids Club 2026** Due to building work taking place at the Youth Hub during the summer break, it has been decided that Kid's Club will not run this summer. This decision has been made for safeguarding reasons while the work is being carried out. 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.

**The WeBelieve Festival is back for 2026!** The 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.webeliefestival.com](http://www.webeliefestival.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.

**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!

**Spiritual Reading: May Day by Day** and **Bible Alive** are in the Church Porch – please put the money in the wall box.

**Brentwood Cathedral Young Adults Group.** Are you aged between 18 – 35 and interested in meeting likeminded individuals in a relaxed and social environment? The Brentwood Cathedral Young Adults Group meet on the first Sunday of each month after the 6.30 p.m. Sunday Mass at Brentwood Cathedral. We walk to a nearby Pub after Mass for some food or drink and for the opportunity to meet and support each other spiritually and socially, wherever you are on your Faith journey. For more information please email [cathedral@brcdt.org](mailto:cathedral@brcdt.org)

**World Youth Day 2027 (Seoul, South Korea)** Be part of something extraordinary at World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea. Travel with the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service to join hundreds of thousands of young Catholics from around the world, gathered with Pope Leo for this global celebration of faith. Open to those currently in Year 13 and above. Details and applications: [www.bcys.net/events/wyd27](http://www.bcys.net/events/wyd27)

**Brentwood Catholic Children's Society** invites you to a wonderful charity two-course luncheon at the beautiful Grade II listed Georgian house, The Lawn in Rochford. Friday June 19th - 13:00-15:30 - Tickets are £38.50 per person. Please scan the QR code to book or go to <https://www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events-campaigns/>

**Use of Wet Wipes in the Pastoral Centre:** Please could all hall users make sure that they never flush wet wipes down any of the toilets in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre. We are having to get a drainage company to come in once a month to clean the drains and to avoid blockages in the toilets in large part because hall users are still flushing wet wipes down the toilets and blocking the drains. If you need to dispose of wet wipes we have installed a bin in the disabled toilets specifically for the disposal of wet wipes.

**CAFOD are hiring.** Could you inspire Catholics to participate in the Church's mission, working to overcome poverty and injustice? Do you want to work for CAFOD and encourage support and partnership within the Church? We are looking for a Community Participation Coordinator to work in the Diocese of Brentwood. Follow the link for more details and please pass on to any friends or relatives who might be interested. Closing date: 18 May 2026. See [cafod.org.uk/work-with-us](http://cafod.org.uk/work-with-us)

**Marriage Support:** From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) +44 797 338 0443