

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	6.00pm	People of the Parish
TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR A)		
4th October 2026	9.00 am	Ints of Claire & Stephen Wallis on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary
	11.00 am	Harold & Ellen Peniston RIP
MONDAY	9.15am	Dermot O'Dwyer RIP
TUESDAY	10.15am	Margaret Fuller RIP (Johnson)
WEDNESDAY	Our Lady of the Rosary	
	9.15am	Ethel & Len Reason RIP
THURSDAY	St Osyth, Religious	
	9.15am	Shelia Wates RIP (Anniv.)
FRIDAY	<i>No Parish Mass</i>	
SATURDAY	6.00pm	Maria Pawlowska & Bronia RIP
TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR A)		
11th October 2026	9.00 am	Grace Gilpin RIP
	11.00 am	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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the church at 5pm this Sunday (4th October). If you would like to watch it via our livestream you can do so by following this link:
<https://youtube.com/live/86jBLqujwXk?feature=share>

Saturday Confessions: Father Dan will be hearing Confessions this Saturday (10th October) from 11am to 12pm and is also available to hear Confessions during the Exposition and Holy Hour or by appointment.

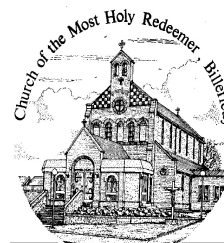
Hall Bookings The booking officer is Anna Sloper who can be contacted by e-mail canonrochehallbookings@gmail.com

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

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY (YEAR A)

4th 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:

The prophets frequently compared the people of Israel to a vineyard. The prophet Isaiah, in today's first reading, speaks of the vineyard cherished by the Lord which produces only sour fruit. Jesus takes this parable of Isaiah as his starting-point.

Instead of placing the emphasis on the quality of the grapes produced in the vineyard, Jesus speaks of the tenants of the vineyard who refuse to give the landowner his produce. The tenants abuse the servants of the landowner and eventually kill the landowner's son. Jesus is now in Jerusalem and He directs these words to those in authority, who, like many of their forefathers, do not heed the messengers of God and fail to produce a harvest of good works for God.

It was principally the religious leaders who rejected the message of Jesus. In spite of this behaviour of some of the leaders of Judaism in Jesus' day, Christians still cherish the Jewish roots of our faith, and value the Old Testament and the Jewish traditions of Jesus and his gospel. This parable contains a warning to listen and to respond, to 'produce the fruit of the kingdom'. Once again in this gospel the evangelist points to the receptivity of the Gentiles 'who will produce the fruit' of the kingdom. The Church of Christ welcomes all those who heed the message, both Jew and Gentile.

Do I endeavour to bear fruit in response to the gospel message?

Do I treasure the traditions of my faith, both its Jewish roots and Christian fulfilment?

We pray for wisdom and humility among the leaders of our faith.

We pray that the mission of the Church may prosper throughout the world.

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:

9am 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A:

https://youtube.com/live/1f1wOMNgb_c?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.

Patricia Christy RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Christy who died recently. Patricia's Funeral will take place on Thursday, 8th October at 2.30pm in Bentley Crematorium. May she rest in peace.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & PARISHIONERS:

ANNIVERSARIES Derrick Skinner, Rose Huggins, Vivienne Coyne, Terry O'Neill, Moira Taylor, Eileen Whitsun-Jones, Patrick Breen, Louise Reeves, Breda Richards, Leonard Sole, Harold Peniston, Leonie Owles, Margaret Daniels, Delia Driscoll, Mary Wilding, Robert Maltby, John Mullin, Maria Pawlowska, Peter Whitcombe, Heather Parish, Marie Saliba and Helen Smith.

Clergy: Fr Henry Healy, Fr David Logue, Canon Edward Heery, Fr Harold Cahill, Fr Alfred Clements and Pope Pius XII.

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

27th Sunday of Year A

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BUILDERS	PARABLE	SEASON
LANDOWNER	DUG	FENCED
TOWER	PLANTED	BUILT
SERVANTS	STONED	KILLED
RESPECT	LARGER	THIRD
VINEYARD	BRING	END
KEystone	READ	FRUIT

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.

Saturday, 6pm Mass: We welcome back Father John McGrath who will be celebrating the 6pm Mass this Saturday (3rd October). Because Father Dan is away, the Saturday 6pm Mass will not be livestreamed.

CAFOD Family Fast Day was on Friday (2nd October) There will be a second collection for CAFOD at all of the Parish Masses this weekend. If you have your Fast Day envelopes you can place them in the baskets at the end of Mass or alternatively you can make a donation to CAFOD by visiting their website: www.cafod.org.uk

Parish Survey: Thank you to all of you who completed our Parish Survey at the Masses last weekend. If you have not already done so, you still have the opportunity to complete the Survey either by taking a paper copy from the porch and returning it to the Parish Office or by visiting our parish website (www.mostholyredeemer.org.uk) and following the link to the Parish Survey on the home page. Once all of the results have been collated, Father Dan will do an Advent Preaching Series based on the responses that have been received.

Prayer Ministry: At the end of all of the Masses this weekend, parishioners will be available to offer prayer ministry for anyone who has anything that they would like to be prayed for.

SAVE THE DATE! Parish Christmas Fair Saturday, 28th November. If you would like to be involved in this, please contact the Parish Office.

Baby Loss Awareness Week begins in October and on Friday 16th October, 8pm, we are offering a special service. It is for anyone who has lost a baby in pregnancy, at birth or in early years, whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago. Extended family and friends are also welcome. Please email the church office at billericay@brcdt.org if you would like to find out more

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

Most Holy Redeemer Sunday Choirs Now is the time to consider joining one of our Choirs, or indeed our loyal band of musicians. Rehearsals are held weekly with support for music reading and voice training in a relaxed and friendly environment. There are opportunities to sing away in the UK and indeed in Europe. Why not give it a go! Contact Kathy Underhill, Alison Connolly or the Parish Office for more details.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group will hold its next meeting on Monday 12th October at 10am in the lounge of the Pastoral Centre. All welcome. Ring Claire Wallis for details on 01277 658783.

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.

Let's Pray for Billericay: The churches of Billericay are joining together in an exciting 2-month initiative to pray for our town under the banner: "Let's Pray for Billericay". The goal is to cover as much of Billericay as possible in prayer. To achieve this we will be using the Prayer Walk app which records the routes we cover and highlights them in colour so that we can see how much of Billericay has been prayer walked. Already, we have covered 70% of our town but there is still more to do! Don't worry about walking the same road more than once – the colour will change on the map to indicate this. For those unable to use the app or walk the streets you can still pray for our town from wherever you are. You may wish to prayer walk with others from your church or perhaps join with those from another church. You can download the Prayer Walk app free from your app store by searching for "Prayer Walk app" or by following this link:

<https://prayerwalk.app/> Once you've opened the app on the "Select a Prayer Walk" page click on Let's Pray for Billericay. You will then need to set up an account with a username and password. When you're ready to head out on a prayer walk click on Start Your Prayer Walk and you're ready to go. When you've finished just select the Stop and Review Route button. Please note that while you can download the Prayer Walk app now it won't be live until Monday, 14th September.

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.

Gift Aid Following on from the presentation of the Financial Accounts last weekend, 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>

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!

Campion School Quiz Night on Friday, 9th October. Doors open 7.00pm and quiz starts at 7.30pm. Teams of 10 (max). £5 per person, BYO drinks and nibbles. For details of how to pay and to register your team, email pachair@thecampionschool.org.uk.

Grays 140th Anniversary Next month, St. Thomas' Church and school will be celebrating 140 years of serving the community, and everyone is invited to join the Mass, celebrated by Bishop Alan on Saturday, 10th October at 5:00pm. In addition, if anyone has any images or memories that they would like to share, please do send them to the parish.

Maranatha at Upminster 15 October 2026 Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! All are warmly invited to an evening of prayer, praise and worship, including Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, where we come together to encounter the Holy Spirit and share fellowship in a Catholic context. At St Joseph's Catholic Church, Upminster RM14 2SY on Thursday 15th October 2026 7:00pm to 9:00pm, with refreshments afterwards. Not been to Maranatha before - why not come and see?

Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School Year 7 Open Evening on Wednesday, 7th October 2026 from 6.00pm to 8.00pm with an address by the headteacher at 7.30pm. www.sacredheartofmary.net email admin@mary.haverling.sch.uk St. Marys Lane, Upminster RM14 2QR

The Call to be Human: an introduction to Catholic morality. Four talks to be given by Fr Martin Boland, parish priest of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead. Starting Wednesday 7th October at 7.00 – 8.30 p.m. For more information go to www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com All welcome.

Why Youth Ministry? On Wednesday, 7 October, Chelmsford Knights of St. Columba will be presenting their Annual Lecture on the topic "Why Youth Ministry". The speaker will be Claire Bailey, the Diocese of Brentwood's Director of Youth Ministry. After school in Brentwood, Claire studied Theology at Durham and then spent time at Walsingham House, firstly as a volunteer and then as Assistant Manager. She trained as a teacher and has worked as school chaplain at the Brentwood Ursuline School, before joining Brentwood Catholic Youth Service as Director in 2021. Claire will be talking about Christian Youth Work, how it is undertaken and what it aims to achieve. Her talk will interest anyone working with young people, volunteers or professionals, in schools, parishes or youth services, but also anyone involved with Religious Education or pastoral care. However, anyone with an interest in the future of the Church's young generation will learn a great deal from Claire's talk. The talk will be at St. Augustine's Church, Springfield (CM1 6GQ) at 20.00 on Wednesday, 7 October, following Mass at 19.30. There is ample parking at the church.