

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY – TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Saturday 19th October 2019

6.00pm Mass People of the Parish

Sunday 20th October 2019

9.30am Mass Barbara Cracknell RIP (Fr Paul & Family)

11.30am Mass Alan Cumberbatch RIP (Rena & Family)

Monday 21st October 2019

No Mass

Tuesday 22nd October 2019

No Mass

Wednesday 23rd October 2019

No Mass

Thursday 24th October 2019

9.15am Mass Franklin Rodrigues RIP (G & J Carvalho)

Adoration & Benediction

Friday 25th October 2019

9.15am Mass Ann Lamont RIP & John Hurrell RIP (Greene Family)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY – THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Saturday 26th October 2019

6.00pm Mass Edna Solomon's Intentions

Sunday 27th October 2019

9.30am Mass People of the Parish

11.30am Mass Suzanne Drake RIP & Family (McGettigan Family)

Anniversaries - We pray for Franc Laczowski, Alan Cumberbatch, Francis Doyle, Joan Martin, Andrew Walsh, Kathleen Nellie Meyer, Ellen Prior, Patricia Pentek, Fr Bernard Clay, Canon William O'Neill, and Mgr. Daniel Shanahan. May they rejoice forever with all the saints in God's Kingdom

HOLY ROSARY	5.30pm	Saturday
MORNING PRAYER	9.00am 8.50am	Weekdays except Monday, Tuesday & Saturday Sundays
EVENING PRAYER WITH THE COMMUNITY	5.30pm	Every evening except Monday & Saturday in the side chapel. Includes music, psalms and intercessions.
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	7.30pm	Prayer group - First Sunday of every month
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	8.00pm	Every Monday in side chapel except bank holidays

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Sunday 20th October 2019

Gospel Reflection: Luke 18:1-8: The Answer to Prayer



We often think of prayer as mere asking, and this parable encourages us to pester God as the wronged widow pestered the Unjust Judge. But that is only one aspect of Luke's teaching on prayer. He also shows us what our attitude in prayer should be in the parable which immediately follows today's passage from the gospel: the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax-Collector. The tax-collector wins approval because he just stands there, admitting his sins. Most instructive, however, is Luke's teaching on Jesus at prayer: he reminds us that Jesus is always quietly at prayer to his Father. He needs to slip away to spend the night in prayer. Especially he prays at the most important moments of his life: at his Baptism, when he chooses his team of disciples, before he teaches them to pray, at the approach of his Passion, finally forgiving and comforting others at his death. Paul tells us we should pray continually. The prayer of asking must be built on a relationship of love and dependence, just as the request of child to parents is built on their loving relationship. It does not matter if the child is at times naughty; the deep relationship between parent and child is one of love. So too we do not need to be perfect to make our requests to our Father.

When and how do you find it best to pray?

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CONFESSIONS - 5.00pm to 5.30pm on Saturdays or please see Fr Paul after Mass on Sunday

PARISH OFFICE – 10.00am to 3pm Tuesday and Thursdays

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NOTICES

THE READINGS THIS WEEK:

First reading:	Exodus 17: 8-13
Responsorial Psalm:	Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.
Second Reading:	2 Timothy 3:14-4: 2
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!
Gospel:	Luke 18:1-8

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: World Mission Sunday supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Sr Clara share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to the second collection being taken after all Masses this weekend. If you are a taxpayer, please use the Gift Aid envelopes. For more information, visit missio.org.uk Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul of Nora O'Connell who died on Tuesday morning. Nora's funeral details will follow shortly. May she rest in peace.

EVENING PRAYER: Please note there is no Evening Prayer this Monday, 21st October.

CONFIRMATION 2020: The first session for our candidates takes place this Thursday, 24th October at 7pm in the church hall.

FIRST COMMUNION 2020: Everybody that applied for the course has been successful in getting a place. The first session for the children and parents will be next Saturday 26th October at 9.15am in the Parish Hall.

RED MISSIO BOXES: If you have not done so, then please bring your Red Missio Box to church next weekend (26/27th October) for emptying. John Logue has taken over as the parish APF/Red Box Secretary so please contact him on 256304 if your box does not need emptying or if you have any other queries.

ALTAR SERVERS: We need more servers for the parish. Servers need to have made their First Communion. If you would like to join or even re-join please contact me after the Sunday 09:30 Mass or 01245 442116 or jdonachie332@gmail.com.

GUILD OF SAINT STEPHEN ANNUAL MASS. Saturday 9th of November .Mass at 2:30 p.m. Celebrant Bishop Alan Williams. All servers in the diocese are invited to this special Mass We need to be at the Cathedral by 2:00 p.m. If you have not already told me, please let me know if you will be attending this important event. John Donachie 01245 442116. jdonachie332@gmail.com

ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR - SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 1-3pm – 6 WEEKS TO GO! Unfortunately, we no longer have the craft stall and, due to a poor harvest, there will not be a walnut and apple stall. If anyone has any ideas for *two new stalls* that they would be interested in running then please speak to Fr Paul or Hazel Jones (01245 269270).

PARISH AUTUMN DRAW TICKETS: Please look out for your draw tickets in next week's newsletter. The draw along with the bazaar are the only fundraisers we are holding this year, please try and sell as many tickets as you can. Thank you.

FROM THE COMMUNITY: Could you help us, please?

Volunteers most urgently required for a weekly Toddler group – Thursdays in term time – 9.30-12 in Langton Hall. (Also, always welcome: more volunteers for our 'Older people's group – Wisdom' – Mondays 9.30-12; Homework Club Mondays and/or Thursdays 3.30-4.45; Teenage Cookery – from time to time in school holidays Tuesday afternoons). Anyone interested to know more, please see Moira or Margaret – 01245 604108 – anderson2003@blueyonder.co.uk Thanks.

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Organiser for October – Lal Mangalam 07960 213530.

FOODBANK: Person responsible for October is Noreen Clifford-Shah.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: Sunday 6th October: Envelopes £256.23, Loose Plate £347.66, Bankers Order: £291.52, total £882.18. Second Collection – Prisoners Sunday £278.29. Thank you for your generosity.

SPIRITUALITY MORNING – Saturday 16th November 2019 – 10.30am-12.00noon- Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT. Topic: Preparing for the Advent Journey. Speaker: Bishop Alan Williams, sm, Tel. 01277 265285 email: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

CANONESSES OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE: Annual Mass for the Dead in the Chapel at New Hall on Saturday 2nd November 2019 (All Souls' Day) at 2.00pm. We are celebrating the Annual Mass for our deceased relatives and friends in particular those buried in our Cemetery and including anyone else who has died and for whom you wish to pray. You would be most welcome to join the Community that afternoon and there will be an opportunity to go to the Cemetery if you wish.

CAFÉ DAY – LET IT BE: On Saturday 23 November from 10 am – 3 pm. **Location:** The Blessed Sacrament, 116 Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford, CM1 2DU. Sign up: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caffe-formation-day-tickets-66323010911> or email adeleangelevangelisation@outlook.com. Day input from: David Payne, Director of Catholic Faith Exploration. An engaging and inspirational day for those who want to grow in faith. Each booked attendee receives a free course book! **Places are limited**, to book your seat register at Eventbrite as above. Event is free, confirmed booking for entry. An offering will be taken to cover expenses.

ST JOHN PAYNE PTA invite you to a General Knowledge Quiz on Saturday, 23rd November 2019, in Aquinas Hall, Patching Hall Lane, CM1 4BS. 7pm doors open, 7.30pm start. Teams of up to six people, entrance fee £5 per person or £15 family ticket (2 adults, 3 children) to be paid on the door. Please bring your own food and drink. Enquiries to SJP PTA: pta@sjp.essex.sch.uk