

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY – THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Saturday 16th November 2019

6.00pm Mass People of the Parish

Sunday 17th November 2019

9.30am Mass Michael Joyce RIP (Murgatroyd family)

11.30am Mass Connie Thorn RIP (T. Sutton)

Monday 18th November 2019

No Mass

Tuesday 19th November 2019

6.30pm Mass K. Kuttijamma K.J. RIP (Shaji & Dayana)

Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday 20th November 2019

9.15am Mass Holy Souls – November Dead List

Thursday 21st November 2019

9.15am Mass Frank Cracknell's Intentions (Fr Paul and Family)

Adoration & Benediction

Friday 22nd November 2019

9.15am Mass Lawrence Pule RIP (E.Allen)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY – OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING

Saturday 23rd November 2019

6.00pm Mass Ron Warren RIP (Greene Family)

Sunday 24th November 2019

9.30am Mass Margot Swift Hook RIP (J & R Barnaby)

11.30am Mass People of the Parish

Anniversaries - We pray for *Patrick Hoines, Wilhelm Fritschy, Frank William Reed, Julia Emery, Liam Hally, Denis McNamara, Frank Wakeling, Mathew Whitehouse, Mary Gardner, Robert Maxwell, Michael Joseph McCabe, Fr John Harden, Fr James Linburgh, Mgr Edward Watson and Canon Martin Hancock.* **May they rejoice forever with all the saints in God's Kingdom**

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| HOLY ROSARY | 5.30pm | Saturday |
| MORNING PRAYER | 9.00am | Weekdays except Monday, Tuesday & Saturday |
| | 8.50am | Sundays |
| EVENING PRAYER WITH THE COMMUNITY | 5.30pm | Every evening except 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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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Sunday 17th November 2019

Gospel Reflection: Luke 21:5-19: Perseverance



Luke was writing his gospel after the devastation of Jerusalem by the Roman armies in 70 AD, and the way he frames the words of Jesus suggests that he had witnessed the devastation. Massive blocks of stone, thrown down from the walls, are still lying there as they fell, scattered at the base of the Temple. The message of this passage is, then, the same as Paul's in today's second reading: the end is sure, but is not yet. Jesus prepares his followers for what is to come before the cataclysmic finale. He warns against false Messiahs, political leaders or other saviour-figures who claim to 'put the world to rights'. His followers will be continually challenged to give an account of their beliefs, harassed and martyred in every age, betrayed by those they thought their friends. There is a promise that Jesus will provide the words and wisdom for Christians to make a reply to their persecutors; there is a promise too of protection from real harm - but there is no promise that it will be a quiet and easy life. A constant theme in Luke's Good News is that the followers of Jesus must follow him in his difficulties and trials. Only with like endurance will they stay true to him and keep in his footsteps.

Reflection: Recall an occasion when the Lord gave you wisdom beyond your own.

MASS TIMES - Please see back of newsletter

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

Brentwood Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 234092

NOTICES

THE READINGS THIS WEEK:

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| First reading: | Malachi 3: 19-20 |
| Responsorial Psalm: | The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness. |
| Second Reading: | 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12 |
| Gospel Acclamation: | Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man. Alleluia! |
| Gospel: | Luke 21: 5-19 |

THIRD WORLD DAY OF THE POOR: SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2019: We will be taking a collection after all Masses this weekend for Caritas Anchor House, a Catholic charity based in Newham, working with over 140 homeless people every day. You can read more about their amazing work at www.caritasanchorhouse.org. "The hope of the poor shall not perish for ever." In his message for the third World Day of the Poor, Pope Francis reminds us that "the poor are not numbers, but people", to be assisted, accompanied, protected, defended and saved. For the full text go to: http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/papafrancesco_20190613_messaggio-iii-giornatamondiale-poveri-2019.html.

THE LADIES GROUP: This parish group of women meet once a month in the Parish Hall. We offer friendship and support each other as well as giving practical help to the parish. The group is open to all women in the parish and new members are always welcome. Our next meeting is at **10am this Tuesday, 19th November** in the Parish Hall. We look forward to seeing you.

CONFIRMATION 2020: The next session for our candidates is next Thursday, 21st November at 7pm in the parish hall.

CAFÉ DAY – LET IT BE: Next Saturday, 23rd November from 10am – 3 pm in the Parish Hall. An engaging and inspirational day for those who want to grow in faith. Each booked attendee receives a free course book! Email adeleangelevangelisation@outlook.com for more information. The event is free but an offering will be taken to cover expenses.

PARISH AUTUMN DRAW TICKETS: Tickets are £1 each and are in books of 5 tickets. If you would like additional tickets, there are some available at the back of the Church. Don't forget our First prize is £100 cash, second prize is £50 cash, 3rd prize is Afternoon Tea at Tiptree Tea Rooms plus many more prizes! The draw will take place on Saturday 30th November at the Annual Parish Bazaar. All tickets sold/unsold cash and counterfoils should be returned to either Hazel Jones or posted through the Presbytery letterbox by Friday 29th November. The Autumn Draw along with the Bazaar are the only fundraisers we are holding this year for the church, so please try and sell as many tickets as you can. Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

CHURCH CLEANING: We are very short of helpers to clean the church so if anybody could possibly spend just 1 hour a month with a team of helpers, hoovering or dusting on a day and time that suits you, please contact Annette on 07554965142.

ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR - SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2019 1-3pm

Thank you for the donations that we have received but with only two weekends left **WE URGENTLY NEED:**

Bottles - Alcoholic and non-alcoholic

Tombola - Any unwanted new gifts

Chocolate Tombola - Small selection boxes, chocolate coins, chocolate bars

Cake Bakers

Cakes - To be dropped off on the Fri evening or Sat Morning, times to follow.

Raffle - Any prizes welcome, please mark RAFFLE

If you are unable to make this year's bazaar, please consider giving a cash donation towards the raffle, any amount will be gratefully received. This is the church's only fundraiser this year and we are raising money for church repairs. Many thanks for everyone's continued support and generosity!
Hazel Jones (01245 269270).

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Organiser for November Jean Sporle Tel: 263747.

FOODBANK: They say thank you so much for the generous donations we continue to give. Their main need is for sponge puddings and mashed potatoes, together with anything for Christmas (puddings, cake, chocolate etc.), which they would like to get in early, so they have time to distribute them for Christmas. They do not need more tinned fish or toiletries at present.

FOODBANK: Persons responsible for November Margaret & Jack Britain.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: Sunday 10th November: Envelopes £401.82, Loose Plate £362.63, Bankers Order: £291.52, total £1055.97. Thank you for your generosity.

REPOSITORY NEWS: Christmas cards, calendars and decorations are available at very reasonable price.

NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY – FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING. Next weekend we celebrate the young people in our Church and all who accompany them. Within our Diocese the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service (BCYS) and Walsingham House at Abbotswick offer retreats, pilgrimages and many other events for many thousands of young people every year; most of the work is led by volunteers, trained as young leaders in the Church. The BCYS also supports our catechists and school lay chaplains. Next week a speaker will tell us more about the BCYS and there will be a collection for their vital work, or you can donate online at www.bcys.net/donate.

THE BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY will be hosting its very popular Ladies' Christmas Luncheon on Friday 6th December 12 for 12.30pm at the Rayleigh Golf Club, Hullbridge. Ladies will be treated to a delicious two-course lunch with tea & coffee in the luxurious surroundings of a private room over-looking the golf course. Tickets cost £25.00 per person. To reserve your place, please call Libby on 01268 784544 / jphillips@bccs.org.uk