MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY – TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**
Saturday 12th October 2019
6.00pm Mass Pauline Brookman’s Intentions (Greene Family)

Sunday 13th October 2019
9.30am Mass Jim McCann RIP (A & J Donachie)
11.30am Mass People of the Parish

Monday 14th October 2019
No Mass

Tuesday 15th October 2019
6.30pm Mass John & Ellen Scott RIP (B & S Mayo)
Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday 16th October 2019
9.15am Mass Rod Essery RIP (J. Essery)

Thursday 17th October 2019
9.15am Mass Peggy O’Neill RIP (A. Pleasant)
Adoration & Benediction

Friday 18th October 2019
12.15pm Broomfield Hospital Mass

**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)

We see why the story of the cure of Naaman the leper has been chosen as our first reading today: in the Gospel reading we find another cure of a foreigner, and not an ordinary foreigner, but a hated foreigner. There was a cordial hatred between Jews and Samaritans: for the Jews, the Samaritans were a wretched hybrid race, who accepted only part of the Jewish Bible, and had their own ideas about the coming Messiah. Yet Luke has already recounted the story of the Good Samaritan, who succours the wounded traveller who had been neglected by Jewish priest and Levite. Now only a Samaritan comes back to thank Jesus for the cure from leprosy. Samaritans are the foreigners geographically nearest to Jesus, but hated by the Jews. If the Samaritans can set an example to the Jews, so can many other foreigners. In his initial proclamation Jesus promises salvation to the gentiles, and Luke misses no opportunity to show us gentiles ripe for salvation: the centurion of Capernaum who built the synagogue and whose son is cured, the guests for the banquet called in from highways and byways. Luke is preparing for his second volume, the Acts of the Apostles, where the Good News will spread to the ends of the earth, even to Rome itself.

**Anniversaries - We pray for**
Joan Bailey, Mary Hale, Lorenzo Paobillio, Hilda Brooking, Stella Murray, Simonne Theddom, Stella Murray, Ralph Bowtell, Kathleen Saggars, Maria Engwell, Peter Francis Turner, Albert Farrow Elsie Joan Smith, Mgr. Matthias Kearney, Mgr. Canon Michael McKenna, Canon Roderick Grant, and Mgr. Canon Christopher Creede. May they rejoice forever with all the saints in God’s Kingdom

**MORNING PRAYER**
9.00am Weekdays except Monday, Tuesday & Saturday Sundays
8.50am

**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

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**TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**
Sunday 13th October 2019

**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:

First reading: 2 Kings 5: 14-17
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2: 8-13
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

TODAY PRISONERS' SUNDAY is the national day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependants. There will be a second collection after all Masses this weekend in aid of the Prison Advice and Care Trust (Pact). Pact is the national Catholic charity that provides support to prisoners, people with convictions, and their families through a range of family, court, helpline and prison and community-based services. Our vision is of a society in which justice is understood as a process of restoration and healing, where the innate dignity and worth of every human being is valued.

THE LADIES GROUP meet next Tuesday, 15th October at 10am in the Hall. All are welcome.

CONFIRMATION 2020: There will be a meet and greet meeting for confirmation candidates this Thursday, 17th October at 7pm in the church hall. Please make sure that you have handed in all forms before this meeting. Any problems please call Annette on 07554 965142.

EVENING PRAYER: Please note there is no Evening Prayer this Friday, 18th October.

RED MISSIO BOXES: Please bring your Red Missio Box to church on Mission Sunday 19/20th October or the following weekend of 26/27th October. 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.

As they step down from the role of APF/Red Box Secretary, we like to take this opportunity to thank Danielle Bushell for all her hard work and dedication in maintaining the Missio Red Boxes for our parish.

300 CLUB DRAW RESULTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2019: The prize winners for this month are as follows: 1st Prize of £65 - No.162 – Ann Donachie and 2nd prize of £30 - No. 129, Fearghas Breen. Congratulations to our winners.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING: Thank you to everyone who came to the coffee morning, we raised nearly £450. Anna Ridley won the dunk the biscuit competition and John Logue won the how many berries in the cake competition. Thank you also to all who made and brought cakes, any leftover cake was taken to Sanctus for the homeless.

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

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 Cliff-ord-Shah.


SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend after all Masses for World Mission Day (APF).

THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN takes place in Rome today, Sunday 13th October. To mark this historic occasion, Fr Stewart Foster, the Diocesan archivist, has kindly agreed to give a free lecture entitled “St John Henry Newman: His Life and Times” on Thursday 17th October at 7.30 p.m. in the Cathedral Conference Ce ntre. All are welcome.

LONDON MARATHON 2020: Brentwood Catholic Children’s Society has a number of Gold Bond Charity places for runners in the LONDON MARATHON taking place on SUNDAY 26th April 2020. If you are an experienced runner or someone who would value the opportunity to participate in this renowned event please contact Libby Phillips for further details on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk. The closing date for completed applications is Friday 15th November and please note that there is a minimum sponsorship requirement of £1600 (excluding Gift Aid). If you have been lucky enough to secure your own running place through the ballot, we would invite you to join us and run for Brentwood Catholic Children’s Society. The London Marathon is a unique opportunity to raise much-needed funds for the Diocesan Children’s Society and perhaps achieve a lifetime ambition at the same time.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE seeks an Events and Pilgrimages co-ordinator to cover maternity leave for 16 hours/week from January to October 2020. We seek a practicing Catholic with experience in events organisation, experience leading and motivating volunteers, experience of pilgrimage to Lourdes, and proficiency in Word and Excel. Full details at www.bcys.net/cover. Closing date for applications: 28th October at midday.