MASS TIMES MASS INTENTION

<u>Sat 30th September</u> TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES (A)

(MHR) 6.30pm Brielle Henry Ezimoha - Lynda Ezimoha

Sun 1st October

(StD) 9am: People Of The Parish (MHR) 11am Rita Birthday - Val

Mon 2nd October THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

(MHR) 9.30am: Mary Mills – E.Lacey

Tues 3rd October FERIA

(StD) 9.30am John & Margaret Lyons RIP - Marian

Wed 4th October ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, REL

(MHR) 9.30 am: **NO MASS**

Thurs 5th October FERIA

(StD) 9.30am: Mary Keighney Good Health - E. Lacey

Fri 6th October (MHR) 9.30am ST BRUNO, PR Holy Souls

Sat 7th October TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES (A)

(MHR) 6.30pm: Val- Elsie

Sun 8th October

(StD) 9am: Maria Pawlowska RIP - Krisha & Kelvin

(MHR) 11am: People of the Parish

Morning Prayer: Before Mass 9.15am on Mon - Fri after Morning Mass Rosary (MHR) & Tues and Thurs after Morning Mass (StD) Confession: at MHR (by request)

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH AND HOUSEBOUND

Brian Angel, Jason Angel, Rita Bracher, Christine, Deborah DiMoriaku, Stacey Doyle, Mary Eckett, Louise Flores, G. Golding, Tania Kavanagh, Daniel Kelleher, Karen Kennedy, Billy Koseda, Luke, Madeleine, Charlotte Massey, Eileen McGeown, Graham McGeown, Geraldine McStravick, Susan Newman, Elsie Pridemore, Dee Skene, William Taylor, Tony Tyres, June Warrington, Eileen Lacey, Andrew White, Lynsey Mitchell, John Barry, Trish Connolly, Fran Manderson, Veronica & John Campling, Sarah Harding, Claire Monkcom, Andy and Doreen, Nadia Bolton, Donna McKearney, Tina Perotti, Brenda White, Ann Carr, Janet O'Brien, Jacqueline Pears and Steve Stripe, Paul Singleton, Mary Boyle, Tom Green.

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME

Tomas Gorman, Kathleen Heddermann. Tom Castles, Warren Avatt, Kieran Cooper, John Olly, McCarthy, Canon William O'Neill, Philomene Giordmaina. Eric Ince, Geraldine Ellesmere, Mercy Cole, Ellen Everitt, Elizabeth McCormack, Alice Channon, Fr. Michael Hopkins, Winifred Farrell, Phyllis Brennan. Eliza Clark, Patrick McVeigh, Fr. Henry Healy, Patrick McGuigan, Fr. David Logue, Winifred Farrell, Thomas Farrell, Beryl Walton, Fr. Patrick Ryan, Mrs Hennes, Canon Edward Heary, Joe Simona, Bridget Costello, Cliff Peacock, Josie McDermott, Fr. Harold Cahill, Kathleen Brotherton, Frankie Hardy.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

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TWENTY- SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES [A]

1ST OCTOBER 2023

<u>First Reading</u>: Ezekiel 18:25-28 <u>Second Reading</u>: Philippians 2:1-11 <u>Gospel</u>: Matthew 21:28-32 Our word matters greatly in our relationships, whether in our family or at work or among our friends or with God. When we do not have our word, then we have nothing because we cannot be trusted with even the smallest responsibility. We become unreliable, like the second son in the gospel parable about the father asking his two sons to work in his vineyard. The father depended on him. But he assumed that he could easily fool his father. His word was meaningless and he lacked sincerity. Dependability is a desirable character trait for all genuine Christians. Otherwise, people are wasting their time with us. God depends on each one of us to help him achieve his plan for the salvation of all people, just as the father in the gospel parable depended on his two sons.

The parable teaches us that it was the first son, who initially said 'No' but then thought better of it, who actually did what the father requested. That son had undergone conversion. He had the honesty and the humility to realise his mistake and to change his decision. He became reliable. Perhaps too often we are like the second son who initially said 'Yes' to his father's request, and then quickly ignored the request. We easily say 'Yes' to God without meaning what we say. Then our word becomes meaningless.

The parable of the father and the two sons challenges us to do God's will in action and not only to concur with it verbally. This requires that, like the first son, we are continually open to the possibility of conversion in our lives and that we are honest and humble enough to change our decisions when we recognise that they are wrong decisions, especially in matters relating to our salvation and the salvation of others.

Are we people of our word? How do we speak to our loved ones, to our friends, to our colleagues at work, to God? In what ways does our sincerity manifest itself? It would be good to be people of our word. Let us decide to be honest and humble enough to undergo conversion every day and to change our wrong decisions.

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As you prepare for worship, please be sensitive to the needs of those who may wish to pray quietly. Before Mass, try to keep conversation to a minimum and avoid behaviour which could distract others. Please make sure Mobile Phones are switched off or on silent. Thank You for your co-operation.



BIG THANK YOU - Big Warm thank you to Fr. Gerald Gostling, Fr. Stewart, Fr Sabu, Fr Saji from the Parishioners at Most Holy Redeemer and St. Dominic's Parish for looking after us all whilst Fr. Joseph has enjoyed his relaxing break. May God keep and bless all our Priests.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION - For Harvest Fast Day Sunday 8th October 2023 after all Masses. Thank you for your continued support.

SVP DATES FOR DIARY - Next SVP meetings on Monday 2nd October & Monday 16th October at 4.30pm. Meeting held at small parish hall at St. Dominic's. If you know anyone who needs a visit or phone call please contact Philomena.

MOST HOLY REDEEMER & St. DOMINIC'S REPOSITORY- Currently has gifts, Christmas cards and Calendars, Religious candles, Rosaries and many others. Every one is welcome to browse after the Masses. See Marachel & Theresa (MHR), Mary & Marian (STD).

OCTOBER MONTH - is the month the church dedicates to the Rosary- Our Lady particularly stressed the importance of the daily Rosary because it is the means by which the violence of warfare can be ended and peace given to the world. It also brings great revival of the FAITH in our lives too. DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE THE POWER OF THE ROSARY.

MASS REGISTRATION CARDS- Mass Registration Cards 2023-2024 are still available for collection. Please collect a new card if your child attends Nursery this year 2023 as you need a card for reception 2024. Children from Year 3 for FHC . Year 4 and Year 5 to pick up a card. Please RETURN the card for Year 5 for children who are going into Year 6 2022-2023. Please be aware no more Mass Registration cards will be available after the October Half Term.

FLOWER ARRANGING VOLUNTEERS— Anyone interested in helping with flower decorating of our beautiful Churches in MHR & STD . Please see Theresa & Liz Hill (MHR). See Philomena (STD).

GENTLE REMINDER FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Regarding the Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass @ Most Holy Redeemer we welcome ALL children from RECEPTION year upwards. Any younger children MUST BE accompanied by and adult over 18. Thank you for your co operation and your understanding.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024 — For children who will be in Year 3 or above in September. The application forms are still available. Closing date for application Sunday 29th October 2023. See Paula Jones First Holy Communion Co-Ordinator.

TALENT NIGHT - Friday 27th October, 7pm at St. George's Hall. This is a popular and well supported event. Applications forms are available—Please return forms to Theresa by Friday 20th October .

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS - JOURNEY IN FAITH PROGRAMME 2023/24 If you know of anyone who is interested in making this Journey of Faith Programme with the possibility of being received into full-communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil, please contact Fr. Joseph to give your details Parish Office 01708 343492 or email haroldhillmhr@brcdt.org. The programme will commence on Tuesday 14th November at 6.30pm.

VOLUNTEERS - Are needed to help with the setting up the Christmas Market on Friday 24th November - Please see Theresa if you are able to help in anyway.

CHRISTMAS MARKET- Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th November. This is a major fundraising of the year. To start we are urgently in need of donations for soft toys and teddies for the teddy stall. Donations of bottles for the Tombola. See Theresa for further information.

SCHOOL SURGERY DATE AND TIME: for school signing for Certificate of Practise will be arranged in the middle of October, Details will follow shortly. Thank you for your patience.

BCYS YOUTH MASS - Thursday 5th October, 6pm at Brentwood Cathedral beginning with pizza and refreshments in the Parish hall from 6pm, an hour of input, workshops, youth led prayer and formation from different organisations each month, and Youth Mass celebrated in the Cathedral at 7.30pm. Absolutely everyone is welcome.

YEAR 7 OPEN EVENING-Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School warmly invite parents of Year 6 pupils to attend their Open Evening on Thursday 5th October from 6pm to 8pm. Tours of the school are available from 6pm and the Headteacher talk is at 7.30pm. Parking for Disabled Guests only on site

LOVE THE STRANGER: Earlier this year the Bishops of England and Wales produced a document on Migrants and Refugees, entitled 'Love the Stranger: A Catholic Response to Migrants and Refugees'. Liam Allmark, who works at the Bishops' Conference, will present the document at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest in Gidea Park (RM2 6DH) on Saturday 7th October from 11 a.m. Refreshments will be available from 10.30. Ample parking available and local eateries. Five minutes' walk from the Elizabeth Line. This free event is both in-person and live-stream. Please go to www.whatgoodnews.org for details. A recording of the study day will be made available on the website.

ROSARY CRUSADE. Time & Location -Saturday 14 October, time 13:45 - 16:00hrs. Outside Westminster Cathedral, Ambrosden Ave, London SW1, UK. About the event: This is a major annual Catholic event in London. All are welcome. The Guild have also been asked to help with roles within the procession. Offers of help gratefully received to cpg@met.police.uk.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR - Our Lady of Good Counsel- Wickford Our Lady of Good Counsel in Wickford are looking for a Parish Administrator to provide complete and comprehensive administration for the church community and also carry out some financial duties. The successful applicant will need to have excellent communication and administration skills as well as financial experience. Hours: 16 hours per week working Monday to Friday. Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) to hr@brcdt.org. Closing date for applications is 13th October 2023. Job description: Parish Administrator -Wickford (full job description is contained on www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us

CANON PATRICK SAMMONS RIP- Sale of Books and CDs—Over the last few weeks the late Canon Patrick Sammon's extensive library and collection of CDs have been sorted by Father Stewart Foster, the Diocesan Archivist. Many of his theological books have been taken to a seminary so that future priests may benefit thereby. On the weekend of 21/22 October in Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre, Cambridge Park, Wanstead, London E11 2 PR (after all the Masses; Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 9.30am, 11.30am & 6.30pm) there will be a sale of the remaining books and CDs. As well as being an appropriate way for those who knew Fr Pat to have a memento via books and CDs, £1 per item will be charged and the money raised will be sent to the Brentwood Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund to assist those who wish to go to Lourdes but who might find the cost of the Diocesan Pilgrimage beyond their means. Fr Pat was the Director of the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage for many years and did much to assist needy pilgrims.

NEWHAM PARTNERSHIP YOUTH CO-ORDINATOR The successful applicant will build and develop a Partnership Youth Leadership Team. Full Job description is attached. Hours: 35 hours per week (to include evening and weekend work) Salary: £25,000 - £30,000 pa (depending on experience) Contract: A fixed 3 year contract Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) to frdanielkelly@brcdt.org Closing date for applications is 28th October 2023.

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