MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS Saturday 29 September – 7 October 2018

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) 30th September 2018

Saturday 29th 6.00pm Deceased members of Canny Family RIP (Canny)

Sunday 30th 9.00am Elizabeth Mary Cooney RIP (Keeling)

September 2018 11.00am People of our Parish

3.00pm Traditional Latin Mass - Missa Cantata - Sung Mass

9.00am Intentions of Steve & Mary Purcell (Protheroe)

Tuesday 2nd The Holy Guardian Angels

9.00am Frank Swan RIP Anniv (Sr Susan)

1.45pm Mary Murphy RIP Funeral Service at Parndon Wood

Wednesday 3rd
Thursday 4th
9.00am Mary Canny RIP (Canny)
St Francis of Assisi, Religious

9.00am Deceased members of Canny Family RIP (Canny)

Friday 5th 9.00am Holy Souls RIP CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

Sunday, 7th October 2018 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time B

Saturday 6th 6.00pm Tony Mullan RIP Recently Sunday 7th 9.00am Jim Hayes RIP (Coyne/Hayes)

October 2018 11.00am People of our Parish

SACRAMENT of PENANCE: Saturday 11am to 12 noon & 5.15 to 5.40pm

MORNING PRAYER of DIVINE OFFICE 15 minutes before weekday Mass

BLESSED SACRAMENT: Prayer & Adoration for 1 hour after weekday Mass

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MISSA CANTATA (FULL SUNG LATIN MASS) in the Traditional Rite, prayed in the Universal Church for nearly 2000 years, available on Sunday the PRAY FOR OUR

SICK IN HOSPITAL & AT HOME: Frances Wells, Giovanni Borelli, Mark Toohey, Marcheta Swift-Daley, Hannah Robinson, Daphne McAdam, Paula Hall, Ann Dowd, Sean Clohessy, James Bullen, Roger Minnis, Fr Martin Knott, Ann Harris, Catherine Steel & Fr Tom Jordan. Please inform a Priest or hospital chaplain if you, your relative or a parishioner is ill at home or in hospital so they can have visit from a priest and receive the Sacraments.

OFFERINGS: Offertories last weekend: Envelopes £348.96, Loose £391.60, Standing Orders: £800. CAFOD £50.68. Thank you for your generosity.

<u>HALL BOOKINGS</u>: Please e-mail: <u>arnold_verrall@email.com</u> Telephone Arnold Verrall: 01992 001995 (dial 01992 even in the Epping area) or mobile 07764404813.

Preferential rates are available for parishioners and charities.

30th September, at 3 p.m. in our Church. All Welcome to pray and sing with us!

PARISH AGM: The Parish AGM will be held on **Tuesday 9 October** at 8pm.

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time B 30 September 2018

Dear Parishioners,

Moses answered, "Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all" (Numbers 11:25-29). Just as there can be jealousy in families and communities, there can also be jealousy between God's people, in the Church and even in religious houses. Jealousy is like envy, a poison that infects and colours people's ways of thinking and relating. It is a comparing and centring on self, as to how the words or actions might appear to diminish one's own standing in the eyes of others or a community.

The disciples of Moses were jealous for his reputation and status and did not want others to share in or use the gifts God had given to Moses. Moses recognised the gifts of the Spirit given to the men were from God and to be used for a particular purpose at that time and place. Being centred on God rather than himself, Moses expressed a desire that all the people receive and use God's Spirit and his gifts.

In the Gospel, the disciples of Jesus had the same attitude as the disciples of Moses. They wanted their Master and his followers to be the exclusive users/ministers of the gifts given by God to his Son and his disciples (Mark 9:38-48). Jesus thinks in the same way as Moses and wished that people who have be gifted by God with particular talents and roles not be prevented from using them, but be encouraged.

Jesus goes on to speak of the way in which some people can be obstacles to others who are seeking to grow in relationship with God and people, i.e. holiness. He speaks about being hospitable in simple ways, not being a source of temptation or weakness to others, and not surrendering to the sinful desires of our body. St James' in his letter (Ch.5:1-6) goes into the ways in which people become self-centred, and in doing so become acquisitive and blind to the needs of others. We all need to become more aware of the gifts God has given to us and to others, and to use them with faith and hope in the service of people and to the glory of God.

Preparation for first Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation have now started in the parish. We have two very good groups for these Sacraments and I am most grateful to the parishioners who have volunteered as Catechists, and are leading the sessions so well. No one came to the Priest's House last Wednesday evening for our talks on the Catholic faith for adults. I hope that we will have some people interested who will come over the next few weeks. *God bless you. Fr John*

<u>DECEASED: MARY MURPHY RIP</u>, of Frank Foster House, Theydon Bois, who died on 2 September, aged 91 years. Her Funeral Service will be celebrated at Parndon Wood Crematorium on **Tuesday 2 October at 1.45pm.** May she rest in peace. We offer our sympathy & prayers for her family and the repose of her soul. May the Lord send his Holy Spirit, the Comforter, to console them.

<u>CONFIRMATION:</u> The next preparation session for the young people will be held in our Church hall on **Tuesday 2^d October at 7.30pm.**

<u>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019</u>: The next session for first Holy Communion children will be held in the Church hall on **Wednesday 3rd October at 5.45pm.**

TALKS ON OUR CATHOLIC FAITH: Last Wednesday we started a course of talks on the Catholic faith for adults interested in finding out about our faith, becoming Catholic or wishing to understand our faith or support the faith of family members. It will also be suitable for Catholic adults who have not been Confirmed or not been practising and wish to renew their faith. They will be held in The Priest's House on Wednesdays from 8pm to 9.15pm until Easter. There is no commitment involved by attending any or all sessions. Please contact Fr John if you would like to enquire or attend, or just turn up at the Priest's House.

<u>PARISH JUMBLE SALE:</u> A BIG THANK YOU especially to Janet and the team of helpers who worked so hard to make this a successful fundraising event. The magnificent sum of £1093 was raised.

<u>PARISH QUIZ:</u> Parish Quiz night, Saturday 13th October, 7.30 for 8pm start; Tables of up to 8 people. Bring your own drinks & nibbles. Tickets available after weekend Masses or contact Emma on 07791 235929.

SPONSOR A CONSECRATION CANDLE: For anyone interested, we have one consecration candle which has become available to sponsor at £180. Please let Fr John know if you would like to do so.

ANNUAL CTED SERVICE TO PRAY FOR PEACE Sunday 14th October at 4.00 pm in our Church All the Christian churches in Epping and District come together to PRAY FOR PEACE. This is our 11th Annual event and, as we can see from current events around the world, there has never been a more critical time for us to pray for peace. Please come and bring your friends. This year we shall be having a speaker from Santa Marta Group, an organisation which works to prevent MODERN DAY SLAVERY, which is prevalent around the UK and around the world. There will be a retiring collection for Santa Maria Group and there will be refreshments in the Church Hall afterwards.

MUSIC: We are all most grateful to Maggie Keeling for her service to music in our parish and especially at 11am Mass on Sundays for many years. Since she had to give up that role at the end of summer we have had difficulties with continuity of music at the 11am Mass. We have appealed and asked some people but so far no one has a taken on the role. The music group at 11am Mass has contributed greatly to music in our parish over the years and enhanced our Liturgy. We would love to hear from anyone who may now be able to help with this role. **Fr John**

<u>CAFOD HARVEST FAST:</u> Family Fast Day will be next **Friday 5**th **October.** On this day parishioners are encouraged to eat a simple meal and give the money saved to CAFOD. CAFOD envelopes are being distributed at all Masses this weekend. If you would like to consider becoming our parish representative then please contact Chris Driscoll at brentwood@cafod.org.uk for more information on what is involved.

BAKE SALE THIS SUNDAY AFTER ALL MASSES: HOMEMADE cakes, cupcakes, brownies & other treats. If you can contribute some baked goods for sale, please contact Adriana on 07828 118 909.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: This year's Christmas Bazaar will be on Saturday 24th November. There will be a meeting, to plan the event, on Thursday 11th October at 7.30pm in the Priest's House. All welcome to attend and put forward your ideas. The bazaar is a week earlier this year so now is the time to roll up your sleeves, stiffen your sinews and give the juggernaut a nudge. Volunteers will be needed to man (woman!) the stalls and donate goods. Next week we are appealing for White Elephants; you hate it; donate it; someone will love it.

PARISH DATABASE: In order to keep our parish database up to date we would be grateful if, you moved home recently, or have moved into our Parish you let the Parish Office know your new address. Similarly, if you noticed your parish Christmas card last year had an old address then please can you let the office know the correct one.

<u>Brentwood Catholic Children's Society</u> – Children & families are now able to access direct therapeutic support in one of our clinics. Sessions take place after school or at an evening clinic at our counselling suites in Rayleigh. Highly experienced counsellors provide support directly to the whole family or to children and adolescents on a 1:1 basis. If you are concerned that your child may need someone to talk to, please contact Catherine on cmunns@bccs.org.uk. There is a sessional charge, so please enquire.

St John Fisher Catholic Primary School: Visits for Prospective New Parents 2019. St John Fisher School, Burney Drive, Loughton, will hold three visit meetings for prospective new parents on Tuesdays 9 & 17 October & 5 November at 10 am. If you would like to visit the school on one of the dates please contact the school on 0208 508 6315 or email schoff1@st-johnfisher.essex.sch.uk. Next Sunday 7th October, Mrs Patricia Bryson, Head of St John Fisher will speak at 11am Mass.

<u>CALAIS LIGHT</u> - Ever felt you'd like to help the destitute migrants in Calais but not known where to start? We run regular weekend car convoys from Brentwood Cathedral to chop veg & sort Refugee donations at the amazing Help Refugees UK Warehouse in Calais. Never mind the reasons WHY migrants are in Calais -the fact is they are there now - without resources, hungry, struggling. We feel strongly that part of our Christian mission is to support them one way or another. Please think about this & volunteer with us. If you can't, please donate with compassion so we can keep helping them at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/calaislight. Next Trip 30th November-2nd December. Sign up to volunteer or donate on our Facebook page 'Calais Light', or on our website calaislight.com or email us at calaislight@yahoo.com or check out the Brentwood Cathedral Website.