

<b><u>MASSES &amp; SERVICES from: Sat 11th November to Sunday 19th November</u></b>		
<b>THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME A</b>		
<b>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - 12th November 2023</b>		
<b>Saturday 11th</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Intentions of Alex Akin (Joseph)</b>
<b>Sunday 12th</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>People of our Parish</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Dead of the Two Great Wars &amp; other Conflicts</b>
Monday 13th	9.15am	Intentions of Christopher Jacob (Joseph)
Tuesday 14th	9.15am	Victor Mouttet RIP (Hayward)
Wed 15th	12 noon	Janet Matthews RIP (FM)
Thursday 16th	NO MASS	
Friday 17th	12 noon	Derek Flack RIP Recently (Poole)
<b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME A 19th November 2023</b>		
<b>WORLD DAY OF THE POOR</b>		
<b>Saturday 18th</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Victor Mouttet RIP (Mouttet)</b>
<b>Sunday 19th</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Doug &amp; Bobby Dew RIP Anniv (Heughan)</b>
<b>November 2023</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>People of our Parish</b>
	<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Annual Bereavement Service</b>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Baptism</b>

**HOSPITAL:** If you are going into hospital this week for surgery Fr Martin will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick after all weekend Masses.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** on Saturdays 5pm-5.45pm. You are always welcome to this sacrament

**ROSARY:** Each weekday we will recite the Rosary as follows:  
Monday, Tuesday, Friday after Mass and Wednesday at 11.40am before the start of mid-day Mass.

**DIocese OF BRENTWOOD WEBSITE:** <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net//>

**OFFERINGS:** Thank you for your generous weekly Offerings of £800 Standing Orders. On 5th November 2023 you gave: Envelopes £249.50, Loose £361.87. Thank you for your generosity and support for our parish. You can give donations to the Priest's House and online for our parish or charities our parish supports at:  
[www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=epping//////////](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=epping//////////)

**BAPTISMS:** Certificates are now ready for collection, from the sacristy, for the parents of those children recently baptised in our parish.

**IN CASES OF EMERGENCY:** Father Martin will usually have his day off on Thursdays. In cases of emergency please call one of the local parishes, either St Edmund's, Loughton – Tel: 0208 5089438, Holy Cross, Harlow – Tel 01279 425776 or The Assumption, Harlow – Tel 01279 429388. This would also apply if Fr Martin is on holiday.

**HALL HIRE:** Our Parish Hall is available for bookings. Special rates for parishioners and charities. Please contact our Parish Administrator at the Parish Office for bookings.

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## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th November 2023



### WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

They shall grow not old, as we who are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

Today we remember especially all those who gave their lives for our country in the First & Second World Wars as well as conflicts in the Falklands, Iraq & Afghanistan. We also pray for all those who are fighting in current conflicts in the Ukraine and other parts of the world.

**SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL**, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

**RECENTLY DECEASED: DEREK FLACK, RIP.** Margo, Sharon, Jason, Kieran and Connor express their thanks to Fr Martin, Peter Day and Philip McAdam for the beautiful Funeral Service held recently in our church for Derek, following his sudden passing. They would also like to thank all the family, friends and parishioners who attended the Service and for their support at this very difficult time. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS 2024:** The classes will continue on Wednesday, **15th November**, from 5.30pm to 6.30pm in our Parish Hall.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR DEAD IN NOVEMBER:** There are sheets and envelopes in church for the names of deceased parishioners, relatives and friends. The names are placed at the altar with our Death Register and remembered and prayed for at all Masses during the month of November, and Masses offered for their Holy Souls.

**ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT SERVICE:** **NEXT Sunday, 19th November at 3pm, our Annual Bereavement Service will be held in our church. Everyone is invited to pray for their beloved dead.** The service will include some hymns, remembrance of the loved ones by name as a candle is lit, a short sermon and prayers for the bereaved. Refreshments will be available in the Church Hall afterwards. **All welcome.**

**WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AT HOME, IN HOSPITAL & CARE HOMES:** **Lord Jesus Christ, our Most Holy Redeemer, by the grace of your Holy Spirit, grant comfort and healing to your servants who suffer in mind, body or spirit. When they are afraid give them courage, when they are afflicted give them patience, when dejected lift them up with new hope, when alone, assure them of the prayerful support of your holy people. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Canon Denis Petry, Eugene O'Loughlin (11/11), Frances Richards (12/11), William Thornhill, Michael Lyons (13/11), Janette Mulligan, Fr Terence Howes, Edna Overs (14/11), Lilian Ford, Molly Firth, Fr James Allis, Francis Kenna (15/11), Thomas Hughes, Charles Fallon, Fr Richard (Dick) Ashton (17/11), Margaret O'Reilly (18/11), Bernard Candy, Josephine Andrews, Barry Stimpson, Fr John Harden (19/11). **Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.**

**ADVENT TALK ON THE PROPHET ISAIAH:** In preparation for the beginning of Advent Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest of Gidea Park and Scripture scholar, will be giving a talk on the Prophet Isaiah at 7 pm on **Wednesday 29th November** in the parish hall at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. The talk is free and it will also be live-streamed on [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org). No booking necessary. A recording of the talk will be made available subsequently on the same website.

**EPHING FOREST FOODBANK** needs the usual food and household items. Thank you to our generous parishioners for giving for people in need through the **FOODBANK! WE CAN REFER PEOPLE WHO MAY BE IN NEED OF HELP TO THE FOODBANK. Please contact Fr Martin or our Parish Office.**

**DO YOU LIKE PLAYING SCRABBLE?** Would you like to help form a Scrabble group, meeting monthly or fortnightly? If you do, put your name and contact details into an envelope marked 'SCRABBLE' and put through Father's door, and you will be contacted.

**"CAFOD ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CRISIS APPEAL:** Please donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at [cafod.org.uk/ipc](http://cafod.org.uk/ipc) or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers."

**ANNUAL SHOEBOX APPEAL:** Every year, shoeboxes filled with small items are sent to children who would not otherwise have a gift. Donations of small toys, books, pencils, hair ribbons, clips, toiletries and toothpaste etc will be very much appreciated (nearly new items are welcomed, too), but no war toys, or anything requiring batteries. Empty shoeboxes are also much needed. If you can help, please leave items, clearly marked 'Shoebox Appeal', in the Sacristy porch. Any monetary donations, however small, to help with the ever-increasing cost of postage should be left at the Priest's House. **CLOSING DATE 19th NOVEMBER.** Thank you very much!

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** This year we will hold our parish Christmas Fair Fundraiser on **Sunday 26th November 10am-2pm.** As in previous years, we will be holding a Christmas Raffle. If you can help or donate new or unused items to our gift stall or raffle, please contact **Adriana on 07828 118 909.** More details to follow soon. **All Donations for the Christmas Market Gift Stall need to be donated by Sunday, 19 November.**

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS** – as in previous years we have lots of lovely prizes from our local businesses and parishioners. To purchase your tickets electronically, please contact Adriana on 07828 118 909 stating your name, phone number and number of tickets you require, you will then receive a link to pay for your tickets. Tickets will be £1 per strip of 5. If you prefer to buy tickets in person, they can be purchased after all masses the weekends of **11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> November and 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> November.**

**PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE:**

God of peace,  
Whose son Jesus Christ taught us  
To love our neighbour as ourselves  
Give your strength to the people of Ukraine.  
Give your wisdom to the leaders of the world.  
Give your love to all of us who pray for peace –  
Peace that will transform,  
Peace that will heal,  
Peace that will last.  
For the sake of the same Jesus Christ.  
The Prince of Peace, Amen