

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS Saturday 2nd June to Sunday 10th June 2018

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST 3 June 2018

Saturday 2nd 6.00pm Fr James Hawes RIP
Sunday 3rd 9.00am People of our Parish
JUNE 2018 11.00am Adrienne's Intentions (Whitehouse)
Monday 4th June 9.00am Margaret Baldwin's intentions Week 9 Ordinary T
Tuesday 5th June St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr, Patron Saint of Germany

9.00am Private intention
9.30am to 7.30pm Forty Hours Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in Church
7.30pm Evening Prayer and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 6 June St Norbert, Bishop
9.00am Matthias McGrath RIP
9.30am to 7.30pm Forty Hours Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in Church
7.30pm Evening Mass

Thursday 7th June 9.00am Private intention
9.30am to 7.30pm Forty Hours Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in Church
7.30pm Evening Prayer and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 8th June Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
9.00am Mgr William Nix on 50th anniversary of his Ordination
9.30am to 7.30pm Forty Hours Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in Church
7.30pm Evening Mass of the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, 9th June 2018: The Immaculate Heart of Mary
TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B 10th June 2018

Saturday 9th June 6.00pm Eric Burns RIP Recently (Murray)
Sunday 10th June 9.00am The People of our Parish
2018 11.00am Going Forth Mass for First Holy Communion children

SACRAMENT of PENANCE: Next Saturday 11.00 to 12.00am & 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

PARISH MASS BOOK THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST 3rd June 2018

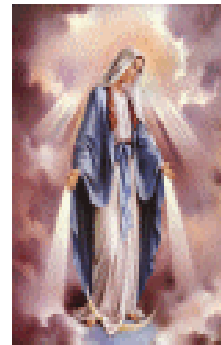
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WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK IN HOSPITAL & AT HOME Frances Wells, Hilda Silver, Marcheta Swift-Daley, Hannah Robinson, Daphne McAdam, Paula Hall, Ann Dowd, Mark Toohey, Giovanni Borelli, Sean Clohessy, James Bullen, Roger Minnis, Tony Mullan, Fr Martin Knott, Fr Tom Jordan and Deacon Duncan Whitehouse.

Please notify a Priest or hospital chaplain if you, your relative or parishioner is ill, at home, in hospital or a care home so they may receive visits and the Sacraments.

OFFERINGS: Offertories last weekend: Envelopes £247.00; Loose £230.85; Standing Orders: £800 CAFOD £98.51; Sick & Retired Clergy Fund: £72.90. Donation from Magic Show: £110.66. Thank you so much for your generosity.

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THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST 3rd June 21018

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

At the time of Moses, in about 1250 BC, God made a covenant with the Israelites when he promised them his love and support with the words: 'You will be my people and I will be your God' – a relationship which required the observance of the law and the ritual offering of animal sacrifices, which together demonstrated the commitment of the people to their love of God.

Up to the time of the birth of Jesus 2018 years ago, this covenant was still in place. But over the next 30 years, particularly during the three years of Jesus' ministry, a whole new relationship between God and man evolved. This was still based upon an on-going love of God, but now introducing a profound love of neighbour as well. To encourage this 'Christian' way of life, Jesus left a special legacy, which he imparted to the apostles at The Last Supper. He took bread, and giving thanks he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying 'take this all of you, and eat of it, for this is my Body'. He then took the chalice and gave it to his disciples saying 'take this all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of my Blood'.

It is good to be reminded that at his ordination a priest's hands are anointed with the Oil of Chrism, **giving him the wonderful faculty of converting the substance of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ**, (only the appearance of bread and wine still remaining).

We give thanks to our devoted priests as they carry out this sacred duty every day of the year at each Mass they celebrate. **We are strengthened by receiving Christ's Body and Blood in Holy Communion and are enabled through this gift to spread the Good News of God's Kingdom to all people**, through all that we say and do.

God bless

Deacon Duncan

FORTY HOURS PRAYER IN OUR CHURCH: There has been a tradition of **40 hours** of Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, placed in a monstrance on the altar. Traditionally it took place overnight as well as during the day. This year we will have the **40 hours** from **Tuesday morning 5th June until Friday evening 8th June**. It will not be overnight but begin after morning Mass at 9.30am until **8pm**. We ask people to sign their names on the list in the Church to cover the various hours, and be there before the Lord in prayer, for and on behalf of those of us who may not be able to be there at those times.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Congratulations to the children & families who received our Lord in first Holy Communion on Saturdays 12 & 19 May. A big thank you to our wonderful team of Catechists who prepared the children so well. The Going Forth Mass will be on **Sunday 10 June at 11am** with a Presentation of First Holy Communion Certificates to the children, followed by a party in the Hall. Please let Fr John or Michele Garwood, at mcgarwood@gmail.com, know if you can assist with this party.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Our next Parish Council meeting is **Tuesday 5th June at 8pm** in the Presbytery. If you have any items for discussion please contact the parish office or speak to a member of our Parish Council.

PARISH HALL COMMITTEE will meet in the Priest's House on Wednesday, 6th of June at 8pm. New members or interested parishioners will be most welcome. I ask parishioners to sign the sheet at the back of the church for an hour of prayer in the Church during our Forty Hours of Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from the morning of Tuesday 4th June until the evening of Friday 8th June.

MONSIGNOR WILLIAM NIX 50th ANNIVERSARY: Fr Bill Nix will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on Friday 8 June. We share his joy in this celebration of his vocation and ministry, of which ten years was here in Epping. He is now in retirement at The Presbytery at 129 Fronks Road, Harwich CO12 4EF.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION Soon we will announce dates for meetings of parents wishing to prepare their children for first Reconciliation, Holy Communion & Confirmation in 2019. It is essential for these sacraments that the families and children be attending Mass. First Holy Communion children should be in Year 3 or older in school, and for Confirmation should be in School Year 9 or older in 2018/19.

SUMMER STRAWBERRY FAIR: Saturday 23 June, 1.30 - 4pm *save the date* A traditional Summer fair to which everyone is invited. There will be lots of Strawberries and cream, afternoon tea, fun and games for all.

STEWARDS OF THE GOSPEL: Up-Date on the Process: Bishop Alan has now recorded a video message to us all and it is now available on the diocesan website – www.dioceseofbrentwood.org - by clicking anywhere on the Home page.

MAGIC SHOW: Thanks to the parents who organised a wonderful and most enjoyable Magic Show for the children on Saturday 26th May and raised **£110.66** for the parish.

BRENTWOOD DIOCESE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES with Bishop Alan from Monday 23rd to Saturday 28th July 2018. Flights from Stansted airport. Details of the pilgrimage are at the back of the Church or contact Tangey Tours on 01732 886666.

PRAY THE ROSARY Thursdays 6.45 pm at Queen of Peace House, 18 Kendal Ave. Epping CM16 4PW Newcomers welcome but please phone 01992-575017.

LATIN MASS will next be in our Church will be on Saturday 23 June at 12 noon

ST JOHN BOSCO SUMMER CAMP run by The St Vincent DePaul Society at St John Bosco Camp at Fordham, near Colchester, provides an exciting activity-packed week and overnight camping holiday in the Essex countryside. The poster is in church porch or go to www.svpboscocamp.org.uk. or Twitter: @Boscocamp.

DAY OF REFLECTION FOR SINGLE MEN AGED 35-55 who wish to explore if they have a calling to the priesthood. **Saturday 9th June 9.30am – 3.30pm**. St. John's Seminary, Womersley, Guildford, GU5 0QX. For more details contact the Fr. Graham Smith on Fr.gjdsmith@gmail.com or on 01702 465720.

DATA PROTECTION: The Diocese of Brentwood has prepared for the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which came into force on Friday 25 May. The following documents were approved by the Catholic Bishop's Conference on 16th April, and by the Diocesan Finance Board at their meeting on Thursday 17th May 2018. <http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/data-protection/>

ST ANTONY'S CHURCH FOREST GATE is looking for coloured pictures that anyone may have from celebrations held there - weddings, baptisms, First Holy Communion, etc before the refurbishment in 1968. If you have pictures (also please ask family and friends who lived in the parish) please let Marie Brown know on 020 84720433 (ext 2002) or email forestgate@dioceseofbrentwood.org. Thank you.

"Sion Community, Brentwood: Work & Pray. We invite you to come and join us for a few days between **18th - 29th June** at our centre in Brentwood (CM15 9BX) and take a break spending time in prayer and living in our Community, as well as helping with some work in our buildings and gardens. It would be great if you can come. Please contact: Mary on admin@sioncommunity.org.uk / 01277 215011. "

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is hosting a **Ladies' Day Luncheon on Thursday 21st June** at the Rayleigh Golf & Country Club to coincide with Royal Ascot Ladies' Day. Ladies are encouraged to dust off their best hats and enter into the spirit of a 'Day at the Races'. Tickets cost £25 per person for a delicious two course luncheon with tea & coffee served in our private dining room, with plenty of time to enjoy some racing from Ascot before the school-run. Please contact Libby For information & to book tickets on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk

"St Vincent de Paul Society in Brentwood Diocese seeks a voluntary Treasurer at regional level to serve on Central Council, to maintain Council accounts, oversee Gift Aid and file quarterly reports to National Office. Central Council meetings are held quarterly in Brentwood. If you would like to give some time in this way please email Elaine Heyworth on ElaineH@svp.org.uk by latest **Sunday 10th June 2018.**"

SATURDAY 1st SEPTEMBER will be the "official" opening of Walsingham House at Abbotswick, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan at 12noon. Parishioners are invited to come, bring picnic lunch, and to make a day out.