

Masses & Services Saturday 8th June to Sunday 16th June 2024		
TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) 9th June 2024		
Saturday 8th	6.00pm	Intentions of Finn Hughes (Scannell)
Sunday 9th	9.00am	Alice Drew RIP (Sainsbury)
June 2024	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (GROUP TWO)	
	11.00am	People of our Parish
Monday 10 th	9.15am	Caraid Hill RIP Recently
Tues 11 th	9.15am	Holy Souls RIP
Wed 12 th	12 Noon	Mary & Michael Morgan RIP Recently (Poole)
Thursday 13 th	NO MASS	
Friday 14 th	12 Noon	Graeme Hollinshead RIP Recently (Poole)
ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B) 16th June 2024		
Saturday 15th	6.00pm	People of our Parish
Sunday 16th	9.00am	Graeme Hollinshead RIP Recently (Cullen)
June 2024	11.00am	Intentions of Fr John McGrath (Scannell)

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.

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

OFFERINGS: Thank you for your generous weekly Offerings. Last weekend you gave ££145.52 in Envelopes, £474.34 in loose plate and £800 in Standing Orders. 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//////////

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.

PARISH OFFICE: Our Parish Office is open on Tues, Wed and Fri 9.30am-2pm. The Parish Administrator can be contacted by email on epping@brcdt.org or telephone 01992 572516.

EPPING FOREST FOODBANK: 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 our Parish Office.

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TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B 9th June 2024

The readings this week reflect on our severing ourselves from the love of God through our sins, and on the mercy and forgiveness that is always available to us when we turn to the Lord.

In the First Reading (Genesis 3: 9–15), we see Adam and Eve willfully disobeying God and refusing to acknowledge their error. Their blaming each other separates them from God.

St Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, tells them that the raising of the Lord Jesus will in turn also raise us believers, so that we can be united with God and live close to him. (Second Reading 2 Corinthians - 4: 13–5:1)

Finally, the Gospel (Mark 3: 20–35) shows us a Jesus pressed by the crowds and by his relatives, who do not understand what he is about. Doing the will of God will make us part of his family.

This week, we might pray for all those who do not fully appreciate the mercy and forgiveness the Lord is offering. We may also want to pray for all those, who for whatever reason, do not seek to do the will of God.



JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS when people often ask to have their homes blessed. We priests are always ready to do this at any time. **O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place our trust in Thee.**

CONGRATULATIONS to our First Holy Communion children: Alice, Amelia, Angelica, Ben, Ella-Rose, Emmeline, Emilia, Gabriela, Isabella, Joseph, Julian, Roma, Sarah, Tamara and their families on receiving Holy Communion at this time

Their Going Forth Mass and presentation of certificates will take place at the 11am Mass on Sunday 23rd June.

THANK YOU to Stella Pleydell & Pat Blount, our lead Catechists for giving so very generously of their time and talents weekly, over the past year and previous years, in preparing the children for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. We are most grateful to them, and also to the parents who helped with the course.

COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS: The opportunity to receive communion under both kinds began recently here. Many parishes in the diocese have already restored the opportunity to receive from the chalice.

FIRE DRILL: At all Masses on the weekend of 29th/30th June we will hold a practice Fire Drill. Clear instructions will be given, at the time, to the congregation.

NEW PARISHIONER OR CHANGE OF ADDRESS: We welcome new families and parishioners to our parish. We always want to give people opportunities to use their God-given gifts and talents in our community. The form to register in our parish is available inside the door (by the notice board) in the church porch. Please let us know if you have changed address in our Parish or are moving away.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) is an international voluntary organization in the Catholic Church, founded in 1833 for the sanctification of its members by personal service of the poor. The St Vincent de Paul Society approaches each request for help with compassion and consideration and support tailored to the unique needs of each individual. **We are extremely grateful to the small group of volunteers who carry out this vital charitable work within our parish.**

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Since the banking of the offertory monies is becoming increasingly difficult we kindly ask parishioners to try to limit the amount of loose change they put in each week and appreciate your support with this.

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. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARIES: Hilda Silver, Roger Hayward, Edward Abbott, Fr Edmund Tyler (8/6), Penelope North, Joanna Curell, Henry Gallagher, (9/6) Anne Cleverly, Margaret Stubbs, Fr Thomas Crowe (11/6), Fr John Gallagher, Fr Robert Mortimer-Anderson, Marcheta Swift-Daley (12/6), Fr Thomas Carlin (13/6), Fr Gerard Hughes, Elizabeth Finn (14/6), Fr Ambrose O’Gorman, Carole Dubber, Muriel Hall (15/6), **Eternal rest grant to them, Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.**

BATTLE OF THE ORGANS: “On Saturday **June 29th** at 8pm, a one-off event will take place in Brentwood Cathedral...a Battle of the Organs.

In charge of these instruments on the night will be Donald MacKenzie (Organist of the Odeon, Leicester Square) and James Davy (formerly Master of Music of Chelmsford Cathedral and currently Organist at the Royal Hospital School, Holbrook). We can promise you a highly entertaining evening as these two amazing organists put these organs through their paces, and ‘pull out all the stops’ to give us a concert to remember.

Tickets are £15 and £7.50 for under 16s, and are available from Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/83220321803>

Further details available from Richard Nott at organisttraining@brcdt.org”

BCYS SUMMER LOURDES PILGRIMAGE, 20th - 27th July 2024

A couple of last minute places have become available if anyone in school year 10+ still wishes to join this pilgrimage with the BCYS.

Full details on the pilgrimage and how to apply can be found at www.bcys.net/events/sl24 or email gabriellaskinner@brcdt.org

WALSINGHAM HOUSE ANNIVERSARY MASS, 31st AUGUST AT

WALSINGHAM HOUSE AT ABBOTSWICK: “We invite anyone who may have been involved with Walsingham House over the years to celebrate 40 years of volunteer teams with us, beginning with Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan at 12pm and followed by celebrations at our beautiful retreat house just outside Brentwood.”

EPHING FOREST RECORD FAIR: Saturday 15th June 10am-3pm in our hall. Free entry. This is not affiliated to our parish but may interest parishioners.

For details contact Slab Records on 0208 508 2726 or www.slabrecords.co.uk.

PRAYER TO ST.MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL: “St Michael the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle. Be our safeguard 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. Amen.”

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