

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Anna Appiah, Aichard Abangwu, Mike Angelo, Baby Oliver Barker, Angela Barrett, Miss Terry Bennett, Sandra Bourke, Angela Bromfield, John Browne, Antonia Buck, Claire Merrins, Teresa Daly, Nigel Dillon, Carla Doherty, Irene & Carter de Freitas, Don Dourado, Lenny Finney, Garrie Godkin, Cynthia Gregory, Mary Grisdale, Doris Harriss, Ethne Hubbard, Jane Kirk, Roger Machin, Camille Malone, Clare Merrins, Patrick McGurk, Mary McKay, Jutta Menzies, David Morgan, Joan Reynolds, Jacky Rott, Dermot Shean, Debbie Smythe, Astrid Turner, Rita Watkins, Cian Wright.

Anniversaries:- Sr. Anna Haughian, Joseph Patrick Insole.

Lately Dead: Mercy Antony, Lizzy Feeney (Sr. Theresa's sister), Elizabeth Feenan, Evelyn Kelly, Mary O'Keefe, Anthony Slavin, Terence Tomkins, John Walsh.

Mary O'Keefe's Requiem will be on Wednesday, 23rd November at 10am in St. Thomas'. May she rest in peace.

CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 10.30am 19th November Charmaine Turnell, Rachel Woolf, Christine Pinnock, Rosie O'Connor, Eweline Allen, Deborah McNamara.

We are in the process of doing the new rota. Could someone from each team please let me know how many come on your team and if you need any more people a.s.a.p.

SUNDAY MASSES

St. Thomas'
1st Mass Sat. 6pm; 8.30am;
10am (Children's Liturgy)
11.30am
Chigwell Convent
10am
St. James URC
(Buckhurst Hill)
9am (Children's Liturgy)

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. Thomas'
10am
Chigwell Convent
9.30am
Saturday 10am
(1st Weds of the month)
No morning Mass
Trinity High School
8.20am on Lower Site.

SATURDAY

CONFESSIONS
St. Thomas'
10.30am—11.30am
5.00pm—5.45pm
Chigwell Convent
After 10am Mass
BAPTISMS
1st and 3rd Sundays
Of the month

SING MESSIAH

Sat., 3rd Dec. at Brentwood Cathedral, Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is holding a performance of this thought provoking, emotionally stirring, rousing piece of choral music. A specially formed choir will rehearse in the afternoon and perform the complete Messiah to an audience at 7pm. Tickets to parishioners at St. Thomas' cost £15. Call Julie Abbott 01268 784544 or jabbot@bccs.org.uk.

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A REQUEST

I will be grateful if the Savio family will contact either Quentin or the parish office. We need some details for the Baptism Register.
Also can the Tojuola Family contact the parish office re their Gift Aid contribution. Grateful thanks.

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NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2016



On the final Sunday of the liturgical year we celebrate the kingship of Christ: a fitting end to the Church's year. The liturgy for today makes clear, however, that Christ's kingship has little to do with the exercise of monarchical power in a worldly sense.

First Reading (2 Samuel 5:1-3)

David is chosen as the undisputed king of Israel by all the tribes at Hebron. David was God's choice; people agree that he alone is fit to lead God's people.

Second Reading: (Colossians 1:12-20)

The Son of God is the image of the unseen God, the firstborn of all creation, the one who existed before anything was created.

Gospel (Luke 23:35-43)

The kingship of Jesus is recognised by the unlikely of people: a self-confessed criminal who admits he deserves to die for what he has done.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I rejoiced when I heard them say
"Let us go to God's house."

There will be a Diocesan Collection after all Masses this weekend for National Youth Sunday.

YOUTH SUNDAY

“Be revolutionaries” instructs today’s Diocesan leaflet. “Go out and mess up the world” was Pope Francis’ exhortation at Poland Youth Day last summer. Some crusty traditionalists will grumble: Can’t put an old head on young shoulders—as if this should be our aim. No.

We have our standards and values from Jesus. Each generation must express these in its own appropriate way, and different for each. So Pope and Brentwood Youth service want to allow the exuberance joy and vitality of young people to find scope to develop, without imposing our sometimes blinkered view of what should be.

Our parish has been blessed with a long succession of devoted youth leaders. They have taken the trouble to seek training, and then given themselves and their time generously. Sadly their ranks are diminishing. We need more to take up as the energies wane. We have no youth club. That is a sad gap in what we provide for the rising generation. Today we tell young people how valuable they are and that we respect many of their ways different from ours.

JOURNEY OF FAITH

On Tuesday we took stock. Some regular participants at our weekly meetings are ready to move on into the mainstream of parish life. Do encourage and welcome them. There are new enquirers, but it is proving impossible to find a time and format to provide them with the instruction and experience they need. So we are reviewing our practice. There will be no meeting of this group.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Nov. 26th 1pm—4pm

We are looking for donations of good quality

**Clean Toys
Gifts
Toiletries
Jewellery
Bottles**

Please leave in porch of church week beginning **Sunday, 20th Nov.**

Join us making up hampers on **Thurs. 24th Nov** from 9am in the Clare Room.

Also making wreaths at 8pm on the **24th Nov.** in the Becket Centre.

Labelling bottles in St. Antonys School at 9am on Friday, 25th Nov.

URGENT APPEAL FOR HELPERS

Friday 25th Nov. 6pm at the Becket Centre to load the van.

Sat. 26th Nov. 4pm at Trinity Lower Site to load unused donations back to the Scouts Hut. Please ring Jackie 07952077546.

HOME PRODUCE

Mary Charter and Catherine Bissmire would welcome donations of jam, marmalade, chutney, relish, cakes, breads etc. Bring on day or for collection ‘phone Mary 01085043798 or Catherine 07085590281.

CAKES

For the refreshments CWL Stall. Please bring to Trinity School on the morning.

CAFOD

Please take a Christmas booklet for World Gifts as you leave Mass today.

ACROSS JUMBULANCE

Would any nurses or paramedics care to join the team travelling to Lourdes leaving 20th April 2017 and returning on 29th April 2017? Please ring Sheila 8504 3839 or Moya 8504 2514.

Also a doctor is required to travel on the outbound leg of the pilgrimage to stay a few days if able. Please call Gemma Constable 07766169534 to discuss if interested.

YOUTH 2000 PRAYER GROUP

A Youth 2000 Prayer Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm at The Convent, 20 Higham Station Avenue, South Chingford E4 9AZ (near Morrisons Shop). All are welcome.

ALB AMNESTY!

All altar servers past and present. Does your alb still fit? Do you have unwanted or unused albs? Please drop off unwanted albs to the parish office or come along on the 3rd December at 12noon with your alb if you need a better fit or a repair.

For more information, contact the parish office or Deborah on 020 8505 5012.

APPLICANTS FOR PLACES AT DAVENANT SCHOOL

I have received a request that I vouch for the catholic practice of 29 families applying for a place. I have to be specific about the weekly practice of each family, and my account of their practice must correspond with their self-statement already submitted to the school. So we must meet. I will be available on Sunday, 20th (today) from 4pm—5pm and Monday 21st from 7pm—8pm. All must be at Davenant by Friday of this week.

Keep an eye on the newsletter for dates when Fr. Quentin will be seeing parents for signing certificate of practice for St. Antony’s School

EPPING FOREST SOUTH 43RD SCOUTS

Parents, do something rewarding and support our children, get involved with our Scout, Cub and Beaver Group for just a few hours a week either on a Friday (Cubs) or Monday (Scouts) evening.

Unless we can recruit three new Leaders/ Assistant Leaders before the end of December we are in danger of closing. Please contact Chris Kurton at ckurton@hotmail.com or Terry Hobbs at hobbsfamily49@btinternet.com.

PRAYER/SCRIPTURE SHARING GROUP

Held in the Becket Centre on 1st and 15th December at 7.30pm led by Sr. Sandra. You are welcome to come to any or all of these sessions.

SOUP RUN FOR THE HOMELESS

We are up London again on Wednesday and would be grateful to receive sandwiches, cakes, sweets, fruit, together with clean men’s clothing. Items can be left in the parish office during opening hours or in the Becket Centre between 6.30pm and 7.30pm on Wednesday. Thank you for your continued support.

TUESDAY CLUB

The **LOUGHTON LADIES' CHOIR** will be entertaining us (promptly) at 2pm. on the 22nd, in the Becket Centre. If you arrive later, please tiptoe through the kitchen!

ADVENT WREATHS

There will be an evening of Advent Wreath making in the Becket Centre on Thursday, 24th Nov. 7—9pm. Come and get creative! Bring a bag of green foliage. Wreaths will be for sale at the Christmas Fayre. All proceeds to the church