

## ANNIVERSARIES IN JUNE

Please remember the following :

† Caterina Gravestock, Margaret Stacey, Earnest Stacey, Trenette Betts, John Brown, Marie Cogan, Anna Goral, Mary Hudson, Danny Burr, Thomas Enstone, Ellen Griffiths, Robert Plantin, Jeanne Lawton, Samuel John O'Rourke, Christine Rigg, Bernard and Jack Collins, Rose Hatch, Peter Bannon, Arthur McLoughlin, Evelyn O'Connell, Marjorie Dixon, Harry Quinn, Albert Mayer, Joan Katnic, Mrs Nena Spalding, Sheila Baker, Fr. Ignatius St. Lawrence, Danielle Key, Martin Browne, John Barker, Olive Harvey, Elena Newland, Donald Seaman, Alice Wheatcroft, Maria Edwards, Patricia Fazakerley, Michael Burke, Harry Adamson, Agnes Harman, Yvonne Shepherd, Alex Jordan, Maureen Reader, Rose Murphy, Mary Parkins, Ernest Standing, Tinka McKelvie, Michael O'Flaherty, Betty Wallen.†

## MASS RESPONSES

**Responsorial Psalm 8.45am and 6pm**

To you glory and praise for evermore.

**Responsorial Psalm 10.45am**

Ring out your joy, give glory to God.

Lift up your hearts and sing.

Let all creation tell of his name

Praise him for evermore!

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

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## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

**Those who receive Holy Communion at home:**

Jo Williams, Phyllis Green, Eileen Barber, Tom Costello, Eileen Glyde, Roland de Cruz, Patrick Murray, Christine Leaver, Patricia Connolly, Neil O'Boyle, Dolly Poskitt, Michael Ryan, June Dillon, Severino D'Andrea, Carmel Collis, Rudolf Seneca, Kate Baron, Jack Pollock, Eddie Kells. **Other friends and family in our prayers:** Jane Barker, Kitty Grange, Robert Walliker, Sonia Curtis, Julie Stubbs, Colin Bennett, Edith Kemp, Janet Bernard, Eileen Malone, Margaret Button, Eileen Wilson, Theo Kallogerides, Maureen Woodcock, Rosie Stubbs, Mark Whitton, Shirley Essex, Emma Tredgett, Elisa Roffey, Anthony Betts, Gary Perez, Karel O'Rourke, Doug Woulds, Monica McGrath, Michael Tobin, Marion Storey, Alison Gleave, Joan Butcher, Pat Davison, Jackie and Ron Gravestock, Lesley Sullivan, Liam Bryan, Don Cannon, Steve Magee, Cath Wilks, Brigid Hogan, Gabriella Magee, Lorna Smith, Sylvia Asuquo, Michelle Oatham, Yvonne Byford, James Corr, Hilary Bliss, Paul Herbert.

**To arrange visits to the sick and house-bound please contact Sharon in the office.**

**New to the Parish? Please go to our website and fill in your details and Fr Brett will contact you in due course.**

**Parish Administrator: Sharon Chambers**

**Office Open:** Mon 8.30am - 5pm; Tues

8.30am - 5pm; Thurs 8.30am - 5pm;

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*The Catholic Parish of*

# ST. GEORGE and the English Martyrs

*Twinned with Dames Fonteijn, South Africa*

## The Most Holy Trinity - Year A



Dear friends,

This weekend we hear a well-known bible verse from John's gospel: "God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life".

This one verse expresses the key theme of the gospel in general, that God's relationship with the world is rooted in love. This verse would have stood in contrast to a mind-set which largely taught that God was more suspicious of us, than loving of us, that God was keener to condemn rather than commend.

It is God's radical love which brought our world into being; it is that same love which gives us our essential dignity. God's love is all the more significant because it is fully aware of the pride, stubbornness and brokenness of the human heart and the failures that come with it. Yet, God never withholds his love, it just keeps flowing, flowing in anticipation of us embracing it. This sentiment, in part, is reflected in the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading where God revealed himself to Moses on Mount Sinai as, "a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness."



We believe that the Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, reveal the fullness of God's love, a love which is sure and everlasting. As children of the one God we will always be in need of this love; in fact, it is essential for life. But we also bear in mind that we are tasked in sharing that love with a world that needs it too.

Have a good week.

Fr Brett

**10th JUNE – 18th JUNE 2017**

The Most Holy Trinity - Year A

<b>Saturday 10th</b>	6.00pm	<b>Mairaid McPhillips RIP</b> (Chris and Tom)
<b>Sunday 11th</b>		<i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>
	8.45am*	<b>For All Parishioners</b>
	10.45am	<b>Emmanuel and Precious Ewalefo - Wedding Blessings</b> (Sylvia)
<b>Monday 12th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	9.15am	<b>Kathleen Bliss RIP - Anniv.</b> (Sharon and Family)
<b>Tuesday 13th</b>		<i>St Anthony of Padua</i>
	10.15am	<b>Requiem Mass for Anna Cohen RIP</b>
<b>Wednesday 14th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	11.40am	<b>Requiem Mass for Dorothy Locker RIP</b>
<b>Thursday 15th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	9.15am	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Friday 16th</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	9.15am	<b>Domenica Cameron RIP</b> (Margherita and Ian)
<b>Saturday 17th</b>		
	6.00pm	<b>Stanley Smith RIP</b> (Marjorie and Family)
<b>Sunday 18th</b>		<i>The Body and Blood of Christ (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)</i>
	8.45am*	<b>For All Parishioners</b>
	10.45am	<b>Intentions of Tom and Chris</b> (Sylvia)

\*At St. Gregory's, Thorpe Bay

Confessions—Saturday 5pm to 5.45pm. Other times may be available upon request.

Morning Prayer will begin at 9am, followed by Mass at 9.15am, on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: - Adoration is on Friday mornings following the Mass. Benediction will take place at 11.45am.

**POPPIES**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm – Poppies: Wave on Barge Pier, Gunner's Park, Shoeburyness. Performance of Roger Humphrey's work for choirs and brass band, "Never Forget" – a work to commemorate the centenary of WW1. Featuring Southend Choral Society, Southend Boys' and Girls' Choirs, and Rayleigh Brass. The event is to mark the closing of the Poppies exhibition on Barge Pier, and will be followed by a massed performance of The Last Post. The event is free for all to attend, and no booking is required. Dress for the outdoors as there is no cover.

**ROTA FOR VISITING THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

All Ministers that are down to visit the sick and housebound should now have their new rota. If you were expecting to go out on this new rota, and you haven't yet received yours, please speak with Sharon.

**MEDITATIVE ROSARY**

The Rosary Group meet every Tuesday in St. George's Church at 8pm. Please come and join us.

**OFFERTORY**

The Offertory last week came to £983.99, excluding Gift Aid and Stand- ing Orders. Many thanks to you all.

**THE FRIENDS OF NAZARETH HOUSE  
COFFEE MORNING AND NEARLY  
NEW SALE****Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

11am to 12.30pm in Nazareth House Hall. All proceeds go to the Sisters of Nazareth House for the benefit of the residents. The Friends of Nazareth need new members, please text Edward Hayden 07434 190135 or email [edwardhayden77@gmail.com](mailto:edwardhayden77@gmail.com)

**BRIGHTLIGHTS FESTIVAL**

Brightlights Festival is an annual event for Catholic young adults (ages 16-30) taking place June 23rd – 26th in the beautiful grounds of Alton Castle in Staffordshire. Come and join us for a weekend of live music from artists including One Hope Project, Guvna B & Written In Kings. To journey together in Faith through liturgy & worship and to hear stimulating input about the possibilities of living life: UNLIMITED. To find out more information or book tickets, visit our website: [brightlights.org.uk](http://brightlights.org.uk), call 0300 075 0115 or find us on social media: T/FB/IG: BLFestival

**FATHER THOMAS BYLES**

We will be unveiling a blue plaque at the Presbytery at St. Helen's Church in Ongar, stating that Fr Thomas Byles lived here. Fr Emile will be blessing the plaque on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 3.00pm, followed by a small celebration. All are welcome!

## DIOCESAN CENTENARY LECTURES

(2nd of 4): Cathedral Parish Hall, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT, Wednesday 14 June, 7.30pm.

Canon Brian O'Shea (Parish Priest of Grays) will speak on 'The Development of the Diocese, 1951-1979: Bishops Beck, Wall & Casey.' Admission Free. Bookstall Available.

## MEETING THE 'LIVING GOD' SEMINARS 2017

Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood.

**Seminar 4: "The Beautiful will save us: beauty in the thought of Pope emeritus Benedict XVI."**

**Speaker:** Fr Martin Boland, Dean of Brentwood Cathedral

**Date:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017, 10.30am-12.00noon

**Seminar 5: "God has a dream for each one of us."**

**Speaker:** Bishop Emeritus Thomas McMahon

**Date:** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2017, 10.30am-12.00noon

**Seminar 6: "Contemplative Prayer – is it for me?"**

**Speaker:** Bishop Alan Williams, sm

**Date:** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2017, 10.30am-12.00noon

For further information please contact: [jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

## VERDI: REQUIEM

Verdi: Requiem sung by Southend Choral Society and Eastwood Chorale and Southend Concert Orchestra, at Brentwood Cathedral at 8 p.m. on Saturday 24th June.

Tickets 01702 465460. £10 and £8 concessions.

This is a Charity Concert to raise funds for Silver Birch - Dementia care.

## CATHOLIC? GOING TO UNIVERSITY?

Make sure you look out for your Catholic Chaplaincy...

Most of our Universities and Higher Education Institutions have a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based in the University or the local Parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith as a young adult, to meet other young people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is the chance to share them. All welcome. To find your local Chaplaincy, visit the Catholics at University website: - [www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk](http://www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk)

## COFFEE MORNING

This weekend we are raising money for Cancer Research. It would be great if you were to drop in for Tea, Coffee and lots of yummy cakes!



Next weekend, 669 will be back again, raising money for the Parish Infrastructure.

## ST GEORGE'S PARISH FAYRE

At the time of going to print, we are keeping everything crossed that the wind and rain hold off and that the Fayre has been a big success! Regardless of the day itself, what we do know is that an awful lot of hard work goes into organising every single Fayre, and we would like to take this opportunity to particularly thank Suzanne, Brian, Jim and Denise who have been organising our Fayres for the past ten years. They, and their dream team of helpers have done a fantastic job, and we know that this year has been no exception. This will be the last year that Suzanne, Brian, Jim and Denise will be organising the Fayre. They will be a very hard act to follow! Again, the Parish sincerely thanks you for your time and commitment.

## RETIRING COLLECTION

**This Weekend** - The Sick & Retired Clergy Fund is part of the Diocesan Charity which helps and supports our retired and sick clergy. As a Charity we rely on the generosity of the Parishes and individual donations to keep the Fund in a healthy state. Another valuable means is by including a bequest in your Will; a *Form of Bequest* can be found on page 36 of the Brentwood Diocesan Directory. Your generosity through donations, the annual collection and bequests is greatly appreciated.

**Next weekend** - We will be collecting for Day for Life. This enables the Church to fund the Anscombe Bioethics Centre, as well as projects that seek to care for life at every stage and in every condition.

## MASS CHANGES

This week there will be no Mass at St. Gregory's on Tuesday morning, and no Mass at St. George's on Wednesday at 11.30am.

Instead, the Requiem Mass for Anna Cohen will take place on Tuesday at 10.15am at St. George's, and the Requiem Mass for Dorothy Locker will take place on Wednesday at 11.40am. (also at St. George's). Please remember both sets of friends and family in your prayers.

## HOMELESS NEWS

A huge thank you to all who have so generously continued to support our local homeless people (H.A.R.P.) Your kindness has been amazing and makes a huge difference to the recipients.

This month we are asking for individual cartons of fruit juice, individually wrapped cakes/biscuits e.g. KitKats, Penguins, Blue Ribands and small packets of Crisps/Potato Snacks (these will contribute to the night packs).

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, we now have ample stock of Tea Bags (Coffee is proving more popular).

Again, many, many thanks for your continued support.

### **Appeal from HARP**

HARP are looking for volunteers to help collect donations on Saturday 15th July between the hours of 9am-5pm at Waitrose Fossetts Way, Southend-on-Sea SS2 4DQ.

If you have an hour or two spare on that day please contact Lisa Walton 01702415834/

[lisa.walton@harpSouthend.org.uk](mailto:lisa.walton@harpSouthend.org.uk)  
many thanks

## IMPORTANT NEWS RE OFFICE

From the 26th June the Presbytery will temporarily be closed whilst essential repairs / refurbishment work is carried out. It is expected this work will take approximately 8 weeks. During this time the office will be moved into the Sacristy and all visitors should use the back door to the church which will be adequately signposted but is off the driveway at the back of the hall.

Fr Brett will be living offsite during the work but our telephone number / email address will remain the same and messages will be picked up and responded to as usual.

***Please note that we will start the moving process the week beginning the 19th June. This will be a busy week in the office, so please do not pop in unless your query is urgent. If you send an email or leave a message one of us will get back to you as soon as we can. Many thanks.***

## ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK

This year, both Margaret Munson and Joan McDonald will be taking part in the Sponsored Walk along the seafront in aid of the BCCS on Saturday 1st July. They will be in the porches of both churches this weekend collecting sponsors. Please support them if you can.

## SAFEGUARD YOUR CHILD

Despite previous requests children are still being allowed to play unsupervised in the front garden during coffee mornings.

As a Parish Council we would be failing in our Safeguarding duties if we allowed this to continue.

As such we would ask all parents to ensure that their children are either supervised if playing outside or are kept with them in the hall.

Thank you for your assistance.

**Parish Pastoral Council**

## OLIVE WOOD CRAFTS

A missionary group from Bethlehem Nativity will visit us over the weekend of the 24th-25th June to briefly talk about the Holy Land and sell religious articles made out of olive wood from the Holy Land to help and support the poor Christian families. Any help you could give to them will be highly appreciated ("when you help the poor you help our Lord").

Nicholas was last here in the parish four years ago and was very well received. Please come and say hello to him whilst he is here, and visit the table that he will be setting up in the hall and outside St. Gregory's.

## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

We have now booked our coach for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 22nd July. As previously mentioned, the coach will be leaving here at around 6am, and returning here around 10pm. We will be joining with hundreds of other pilgrims from our Diocese, in celebration of the Diocesan Centenary. We are anticipating the cost to be £18 per person, but if anyone feels that the cost would prohibit them going, please speak with Fr Brett in confidence.

So far we have 27 people on the list for the trip. If you haven't yet put your name down, and would like to do so, please speak with Sharon, Graham Alcock (our Walsingham Rep.), or Fr Brett as soon as possible. We are now collecting payment for the pilgrimage, so ask that those who have put their names down forward payment to the Office as soon as possible.

Any spare seats will be offered out to neighbouring parishes.

