

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, Dorothy Kells †

MASS RESPONSES

Responsorial Psalm 6pm and 8.45am

The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.

Responsorial Psalm 10.45am

I will take the cup of life. I will call God's name all my days.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Those who receive Holy Communion

at home: Jo Williams, Eileen Barber, Tom Costello, Eileen Glyde, Roland de Cruz, Christine Leaver, Patricia Connolly, Neil O'Boyle, Michael Ryan, June Dillon, Carmel Collis, Rudolf Seneca, Kate Baron, Jack Pollock. Margaret Yorke-Starkey, Margaret Everett. **Other friends and family in our prayers:** Robert Walliker, Sonia Curtis, Julie Stubbs, Colin Bennett, Janet Bernard, Eileen Malone, Margaret Button, Eileen Wilson, Theo Kalogerides, 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, 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, Joan O'Connor, Alan Essex, Glenda Rhodes, Esmé Kelly, Phyllis Green, Dexter and Claire Stubbs, John Wilks, Arthur Partington, John Morton, Tom Grain, Rita Docherty, Lucille Parker, Alan Parker, Maureen Sier.

To arrange visits to the sick and housebound 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 Hours - Mon 8.30am - 3pm; Tues

8.30am - 6pm; Weds 8.30am - 3pm; Fri

8.30am - 3pm.

Hall Bookings: 292726 in office hours

Gift Aid: Jim Filmer. Tel. 585839

Suggestions Email:

suggestions_stgc@btinternet.com

The Catholic Parish of

ST. GEORGE and the English Martyrs



Twinned with Mpuluzi, South Africa

The Body and Blood of Christ - Year B



This weekend we celebrate the solemnity of *The Body and Blood of Christ* (known also as *Corpus Christi*). It is a celebration of what not only God has done for us in Jesus and how that has been gifted to us in the Eucharist, but also how God's action has brought us together as one people and the great blessing we are to one another as the 'people of God'. The celebration of Eucharist (i.e. the Mass) is not a private devotion; it is a community action of worship and love.

We remind ourselves that, in our common humanity, we are bound together in Christ. In the context of a lived Christian life, our baptismal identity comes to the fore at these gatherings and reveals our true corporate nature, the living Body of Christ. We, of course, don't 'sit on our laurels, but strive to make this a reality. Part of the challenge in doing this is maintaining this connection and unity outside of the church building when Mass is over.

I often think about how, as 'cradle Catholics' (and I'm one of those), some of us were brought up into something for which, initially, we didn't really understand it's full significance and meaning.

Many of us were told we had to go to church by our parents, and so we didn't have a say in it. Not that it is a bad thing – my mum thought that living a life of faith was a good thing, and so she wanted the same 'good thing' for me. The problem is when we get into adulthood with little understanding of what it all means; this is where people are more likely to lapse, especially with the pull of so many other things to do!

Some people were coerced/motivated to go to church through fear – "if you don't go to Mass then you'll go to hell!" Thank goodness we hear little of that talk these days.

In times past, and in various parts of the world, the church has wrongly presented our faith in very negative ways, very often using guilt and fear in its administrations. The dominant feature of any faith practice must be love, surely? It is love that gives energy, creativity and presence to our actions, creating a binding effect.

Let us pray that, on this feast of *Corpus Christi*, the outpouring of God's life and love in the Eucharist may penetrate our hearts and minds, inspiring and transforming us further into a lived reality of *the body of Christ*.

Wishing you well for the week.

Fr Brett.



2nd JUNE – 10th JUNE 2018
The Body and Blood of Christ - Year B

Saturday 2nd	6.00pm	Intentions of Dianne Alexander (Chris and Tom)
Sunday 3rd	8.45am*	The Most Holy Trinity For All Parishioners
	10.45am	Maureen Reader RIP - 5th Anniv. (Peter Reader)
Monday 4th	9.15am	Feria Health of Mgr Anthony Wilcox (Joan and Tony McD)
Tuesday 5th	9.15am*	St Boniface Florence Mary Hill and her Parents RIP (Joan and Tony McD)
Wednesday 6th	11.30am	Feria Remembering Pasquale (Pat) Sparano RIP on his 100th Birthday (Schofield Family)
Thursday 7th	9.15am	Feria Eucharistic Service
Friday 8th	9.15am	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Dorothy Locker RIP
Saturday 9th	6.00pm	For All Students Graduating (Pat Sach)
Sunday 10th	8.45am*	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mary and Bernard Parkins RIP (Caroline, Don and Family)
	10.45am	For All Parishioners

*At St. Gregory's, Thorpe Bay

Confessions at St. George's—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 is on Friday mornings following the Mass. Benediction will take place at 11.45am.

VACANCIES

St. George's Catholic Primary

School are seeking to appoint a supportive and caring Learning Support Assistant to work in Reception as part of the EYFS team. Experience or a background study in Early Years is essential. The post is for 32 ½ contracted hours per week. This position is temporary for one year. Full details on our website: - www.sgcps.co.uk

Trinity Catholic High School, Mornington Road, Woodford Green, Essex. IG8 0TP wishes to appoint a School Chaplain within the school. The successful applicant must be organised, flexible and computer literate. We are committed to safeguarding children; successful candidates will be subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. The ideal candidate should have relevant experience or qualification (Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies) that suits a chaplain role in the Catholic Church. Please visit the schools website for more details:

<http://fc.tchs.uk.net/Vacancies.shtml>
or 'phone 020 8504 3419 ext 170;
sam_gillary@fc.tchs.uk.net

**THE DEANERY ORCHESTRA
SUMMER CONCERT**

7.30pm Saturday 23rd June 2018
The New Mazenod Hall, St. Peter's Church, Eastwood Road North, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 4BX. Tickets £5 each (16 and under FREE). Please bring and enjoy your own food and drink. Tickets may be reserved by calling 07810 707910, visiting our website, <https://thedeaneryorchestra.weebly.com>, or purchased at the door on the evening.

ESSEX RECUSANT SOCIETY

(Brentwood Diocesan Historical Society)
Visit to Most Holy Trinity Church, Dockhead, Bermondsey, London SE1 2BS on Saturday 9 June, meeting at the church at 2pm. Nearest Tube: Bermondsey (Jubilee Line) then a short bus journey (47,188,381) towards Tower Bridge, alighting at Dockhead. Further details from Tony Galcius (01708 346219).



ST. BERNARD'S HIGH SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

21st June 2018, 10.30am until
12.30pm

Are you a qualified teacher with availability to teach at St Bernard's High School on an ad-hoc basis? Please come along to our Open Morning on Thursday 21st June for Tea and Cake, where you will be given the opportunity to see our school in action. Please contact Mrs H Bennett, Assistant Head Teacher either on T.01702 343583 or email hjb@stbernards.southend.sch.uk to advise that you will be attending or for further information.

We look forward to meeting you.

SION COMMUNITY, BRENTWOOD WORK AND PRAY

We invite you to come and join us for a few days between 18th - 29th June at our centre in Brentwood (Essex, CM15 9BX) and take the opportunity to spend some time with us in prayer and experience living in our Community, as well as helping us by doing a variety of manual jobs around the building and gardens. It would be great if you could come along, please contact: Mary on admin@sioncommunity.org.uk / 01277 215011.

ST. JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP

Aldham, Essex

Bookings are now being taken for the Boys and Girls camps. Boys' camp is open to age range 8 to 13; Girls camp is open for ages 9 to 12. Children are accepted for one week only. Suggested donation for a weeks stay is £145.

This is a camping holiday with an enormous range of activities for children to enjoy in a caring Christian atmosphere. All helpers have been carefully vetted by way of interviews, references and enhanced CRB or DBS checks.

Dates are as follows: -

Boys: - Either 21st July to 28th July
or 28th July to 4th August.

Girls: - 4th August to 11th August.

Applications to be completed online if possible at

www.svpboscocamp.org.uk/apply

More information also available on the website: -

www.svpboscocamp.org.uk

If you don't have access to a computer, please see Sharon in the office who has some information and forms she can give you.

COFFEE MORNING

This weekend our Senior J & P Group will be raising money for a local organization that supports the Victims of Domestic Abuse. Please come along after the 10.45am Mass to enjoy tea, coffee and cakes, and catch up with your friends.



The next few Coffee Mornings are as follows: -

10th June - Parish

17th June - ACROSS

RETIRING COLLECTION

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. Please give what you can this weekend, and remember to use your Gift Aid envelopes if applicable.



PARISH SUMMER FAYRE

Saturday 9th June 2018

This is the last push for donations of Bottles, Prizes, Gifts, Chocolate and food items for the famous Hampers. Please either put in the box provided in the porch, or bring to the office. (please see the back of the newsletter for details of when the office is open).

Don't forget to bring your raffle ticket stubs and money back! If you cannot sell all of your tickets, please bring the unused tickets back to the office. Thank you.

SUMMER FAYRE NEWS

A date for your diaries if you're hoping to help in any way with our Summer Fayre on Saturday the 9th June. We will be holding a final pre-Fayre meeting on Tuesday the 5th June at 7pm in St George's Committee Rooms.

Stallholders, Helpers and anyone who'd like to assist in making this a great day for the Parish is very welcome.

That especially includes praying for good weather!

SOUTHEND HALF MARATHON

Don't forget that there will be road closures around St. George's Church next Sunday, the 10th June. It affects some roads around the church, and in particular Ness Road and the Seafront from Linton Road onwards. There are full details in the porches of both churches.

HELP NEEDED

Our Family Group that meets on a Tuesday morning is in desperate need of some extra hands to set up and pack away, and possibly to do some reading or singing to the children. If you have a couple of hours to spare on a Tuesday morning, between 9am and 11.30am, please telephone the office and leave your details.

SSAFA NEWS

SSAFA (Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and their families) will be having a stall at the Parish Summer Fayre selling books. Please bring unwanted books and DVD's (no Video's) and give them to the SSAFA stall, which then will be put into boot sales, and the monies raised will help our local veterans. Thank you very much.

GOING FORTH MASS

Next Sunday at 10.45am is the Going Forth Mass for our Holy Communion children. It will be a Family Mass so we expect the church to be very busy. All welcome to come and celebrate with our children.

BISHOP'S VISIT

We are in the process of finalising details for Bishop Alan visiting the parish on Sunday 24th June. We receive a visit from the Bishop every three years, and whilst he is here he will be attending the 8.45am Mass at St. Gregory's and he will be confirming twelve of our young people at the 10.45am Mass. It would be lovely if we could see as many as you as possible for the two Sunday Masses that weekend. Please pray for our youth as they take this important, and self-chosen step towards Confirmation.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

If you need a low gluten host please speak with an usher on arrival in Church, and they will arrange this.

OFFERTORY

The offertory last weekend came to £883.41 excluding Gift Aid and standing orders. Many thanks.

BAPTISM COURSE

It is a requirement of the Catholic Church that you attend a course if you are planning on having your child baptised. Ours is a one-off session with the next one taking place this Wednesday, 6th June, 7.45pm for 8pm, in St. George's Church. Please book with the office. To have your child Baptised at least one parent must be a Baptised Catholic and needs to be practising. All Godparents must also be Baptised, and at least one must be a regular attender at Mass.

MEDITATIVE ROSARY

The Rosary Group meet every Tuesday in St. George's Church at 7.30pm. Please come and join us.



HOMELESS NEWS

This month we are asking for: - Long-Life Milk, Coffee, Sugar, Cartons of Fruit Juice (large and small) and small packets of crisps.

We are always on the look out for donations of new or freshly laundered Boxer Shorts in Small or X-Small.

Many, many thanks to you all.

CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Does your child attend a non-Catholic Primary School? If so, would you be interested in your child having some kind of Catechesis through the church? At present we are trying to get an idea of numbers before we look at putting something in place. Can you please email or telephone the office with your details if this is something that you are keen on. It would also be helpful to know what days of the week your child would be available.

PETITIONS FOR LOURDES

There are now boxes in the porches of both churches for your petitions to be taken to Lourdes with ACROSS. These will be collected on the 12th June by Dianne.

EXPLORE MARRIED COUPLES GATHERING –

Rescheduled to 23rd June, 1.30-3pm.

Please let Anna know if you can make it:-

anna.mccormick@dioceseofbrentwood.org or 07972438179. Looking forward to seeing you!