

The Catholic Parish of

ST. GEORGE and the English Martyrs

Twinned with Mpuluzi, South Africa

17th Sunday of the Year - Year B - 24th/ 25th July 2021



World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Mass Intentions

You would have noticed in the Newsletter, names beside the various Masses that occur over the course of a week. This is what is known as the **Mass Intention**.

So, what is a *Mass Intention* about?

We believe that each Mass makes present for us the one sacrifice of Jesus Christ which He offered to the Father for our salvation. Thus, through the action of the Mass spiritual graces are offered to us and for us; this comes into special focus in the context of the *Mass Intention*. Here, the priest applies the particular Intention to the self-giving love of God who came, in Jesus, to give us life 'in all its fullness'. In other words, the Intention is directly and formally placed into the realm of the blessedness and love of God.

According to an ancient custom of the Church, people make a financial offering to a priest, asking him to apply the special fruit of the Mass for their intention. By making an offering, we associate ourselves in a special way with the sacrifice of Christ and we also contribute to the good of the Church by supporting the priest.

As the priest begins Mass, he keeps the special intention in his mind and heart, and so it forms part of his prayer for that particular Mass. The intention is printed in the Newsletter as an invitation to the congregation to keep the intention in their prayers too. In this way, those for whom the Mass is offered have a very special share in the graces flowing from that celebration.

We can have a Mass offered for our loved ones – living or dead – or for all sorts of special intentions.

If you would like to book a Mass intention, then please contact the parish office.

At present we have availability for several Masses in August, including a couple of weekend Masses. Please book early to avoid disappointment....

24th JULY 2021 – 31st JULY 2021

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Saturday 24th

6.00pm **James Mann and Jean Woulds RIP** (Doug Woulds) *and*
**Intentions of Sue and Tony Fitzpatrick on their 40th Wed-
ding Anniversary**

Sunday 25th

17th Sunday of the Year

9.00am **Frank and Eileen Glyde RIP** (Brendan Glyde and Family)

10.45am **Intentions of Maria Stocker** (The Choir) *and*
For All Parishioners

Monday 26th

Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the BVM

9.15am **Intentions of Nuala Haynes**

Tuesday 27th

Feria

9.15am **Michael Kelly RIP** (Anne and Ted Brown)

Wednesday 28th

Feria

11.30am **In Loving Memory of Theresa Nunziata RIP**
(Schofield Family)

Thursday 29th

St. Martha

9.15am **Eucharistic Service**

Friday 30th

Feria

9.15am **Special Intentions of Lauren Keme** (Sylvia)

Saturday 31st

6.00pm **Matty O'Brien RIP** (Doug Woulds) *and*
Julia Kalogerides RIP - Anniv. (Theo and Lucy)

1st AUGUST 2021 – 8th AUGUST 2021

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Sunday 1st		18th Sunday of the Year
	9.00am	For All Parishioners
	10.45am	Special Intentions of Monica Spalding (Sylvia)
Monday 2nd		Feria
	9.15am	In Thanksgiving for 52 years of Marriage on this Day (Margaret and John Munson)
Tuesday 3rd		Feria
	9.15am	Eric and Vera Fitzgerald RIP (Geraldine Hannah)
Wednesday 4th		St. John Mary Vianney
	11.30am	Intentions of Tom Costello
Thursday 5th		
	9.15am	Eucharistic Service
Friday 6th		Transfiguration of the Lord
	9.15am	Leonard Brock RIP (Geraldine Hannah)
Saturday 7th		
	6.00pm	For All Parishioners
Sunday 8th		19th Sunday of the Year
	9.00am	Gareth Hansen-Chambers RIP and Fr. Tony Skillen RIP (Sharon and Family)
	10.45am	Intentions of Tom and Chris on their Birthdays (Sylvia)

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord,
for the comfort of Your presence: even in
times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress
since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family
and for having blessed me with a long life.
I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,
for the dreams that have already come
true in my life and for those that are still
ahead of me.
I thank You for this time of renewed
fruitfulness to which You call me.
Increase, O Lord, my faith,
make me a channel of your peace, teach
me to embrace those who suffer more than
me,
to never stop dreaming
and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the
Church,
that the light of the Gospel might reach the
ends of the earth.
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the
world,
that the storm of the pandemic might be
calmed,
the poor consoled and wars ended.
Sustain me in weakness
and help me to live life to the full
in each moment that You give me,
in the certainty that
you are with me every
day,
even until the end of
the age.
Amen



WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

25th July 2021

This weekend we celebrate the inaugural World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, and it will be observed every year on the fourth Sunday of July, which is near to the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (the grandparents of our Lord). Please go to the below Facebook page to see the video of Pope Francis giving his special message for the day:-

www.facebook.com/BrentwoodMandFL

As an aside, if you are a Facebook user, this is a pretty good page to follow. They are now advertising the World Meeting of Families that will be taking place in June 2022.

BAPTISM COURSE

It is a requirement of the Church that parents attend a Baptism Course before they get their child baptised. Our next Course takes place in St. George's Church on Wednesday 1st September, 7.45pm for 8pm. Please telephone the office if you are thinking of getting your child baptised, and more details will be given.

MASS BOOKINGS

This weekend, the booking system will open on Sunday evening, once the email reminder is sent, for Masses on the 31st July/1st August. The booking system will shut at 12noon on Friday as usual.

Thanks to Frank who will be looking after the online bookings, and to Fr. Brett, who will be helping with any telephone bookings.

Then, on Sunday, the 1st August, the bookings will open for the following weekend, the 7th/8th August - I am sure you all know the routine...

PS A reminder that if you cannot attend Mass and have a space booked please telephone the Presbytery asap.

As mentioned at Mass last weekend, there will be no major changes in how we do things for the time being.

OFFICE CLOSED

A reminder that the office is closed this week whilst I am on holiday. It will re-open on Monday 2nd August at 8.30am.



Be kind to Fr. Brett whilst I am away; don't ask him anything too difficult..... **Sharon**

CONGRATULATIONS!

To Sue and Tony Fitzpatrick, who celebrate their Ruby Wedding Anniversary this weekend.

With blessings for a lovely celebration, and in thanksgiving for your 40 years of wedded bliss together.



SVP NEWS

Thanks to everyone who has been contributing. This week we have four things to ask for that they are in desperate need of: -



New Hand Towels or Flannels, plus the Tinned Fruit or Tinned Meat (any brand or type) that we have previously been asking for. Every single item is very gratefully received and helps to continue the great work of St Vincent's Short Streetcheckout their

[Facebook page.](#)

Don't Forget...this is Lourdes Week...!

“Lourdes at Your Local” – Southend Deanery, Monday 26th July, Our Lady of Lourdes, Leigh-on-Sea

We would like to invite all Parishes in the Deanery to join the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service on Monday 26th July at 11am, for a "Lourdes at your Local" Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes, Leigh-on-Sea. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan, with Anointing of the Sick and joyful music, and followed by coffee and refreshments. This is one of 5 Masses for the week around the Diocese, and each Mass will be recorded and streamed online at 5pm for anyone not able to attend during the day. Alongside this there will be a virtual Daily Rosary, Torchlight Procession and Talent Show. All ages are welcome to celebrate Mass and enjoy our virtual events, with particular invitation to those who have been housebound or shielding. Further details and a full itinerary are available on our website www.bcys.net/events or you can email gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org for more information.

“Lourdes on the Lawn”, 31st July 2021

This event is open to anyone currently in school Year 13 or above (approx. age 18-28) from 12pm – 4pm on Saturday 31st July. We will celebrate Mass together with Bishop Alan at Midday, and invite those attending to bring a picnic to enjoy in the beautiful grounds of Walsingham House at Abbotswick during the afternoon. You can find more information at www.bcys.net/events or email gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org.



LIVING LAUDATO SI'

Online Retreat – 15th – 18th October 2021.

Open to all, this retreat will help personal prayer and reflection, and parish action, on the critical issue of care for God's creation. Bishop Alan will open the retreat, which will be led by expert speakers. For more information see the poster at the back of church or email

laudatosi@dioceseofbrentwood.org

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

Once you have found your Catholic Chaplaincy, check out their Facebook page.

A FINAL THOUGHT...

People expect us to be busy, over-worked. It's become a status symbol in our society: if we're busy we're important; if we're not busy, we're embarrassed to admit it. Busyness is where we get our security. It's validating, popular and pleasing. It's also a good excuse for not dealing with the first things in our lives. *(Stephen Convey)*



"You went out during the sermon to get a haircut!
Why didn't you get one before it started?"
"I didn't need one then!"

MARRIAGE MATTERS

(www.twainoneflesh.org.uk)

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time (Kings 4:42-44 Ephesians 4:1-
6 John 6:1-15)
Selflessness in giving**

The readings recount God's continuing faithfulness to His people, and their response. Elisha's story is the forerunner to Jesus feeding at least five thousand on a few loaves and fishes. Such providence reminds us of our faithful God who gives, and gives, and then gives again. Do I do this, do we, to each other? In His strength, we can.

ANNIVERSARIES IN JULY

Please remember the following :

†Fr. Pat Taylor, Trevor York-Starkey, Nancy Cuffe, Thomas James Hatch, George Ranger, Frederick Bradley, Robert Wicks, Stella Yuille, Catherine Woods, Bridget Du Boisson, Terry Murphy, Adalmair Gabrielli De Amorim, Tony Brown, Joan Clarke, Peter Grant, Joan Skipper, Leslie Skingle, Hannah Hance, Vicky Cutter, Frank Miller, Mary Regan, Mary Cole, Joan Baron, Paul Duddy, Tom Finigan, Lilian Fenwick, Vera Sheehan, Jean Jagelman, Norman Reid, Angelina Vidler, Curtis Sweet, William Raycraft, Alex Jarno, Mary Browne, Robert Wheatley, Michael Kelly, Catherine Doherty, Kathleen Wallen, Cornelius Kelliher, Julia Kalogerides, Bridget Tobin, Bill Cooke, Frank Smith, Suhaila Mana, Philomena O'Sullivan, Bridie Priestley, Rob Duggan, Jim Murphy, Roland de Cruz, Caroline Bell, William Bryan, Eileen Jones, Carlyn Plant †

ANNIVERSARIES IN AUGUST

Please remember the following :

† Xenia Sullivan, Steve Rose, Doris Woodman, Mary Carson, Stanley Woollard, Robert Wheatcroft, Irene Brown, Richard Worthington, Melita Hartley, Madge Fisher, Honora Smith, Walter Williams, Elizabeth Wildish, Elizabeth Ryan, Edward George Bines, Frances Breen, Innes Perkins, Rev. Fred Wall, Larry Brown, Charles Avery, Rosemary Gravestock, Mary Land, Lilian Fenwick, Mary Boland, Daren Stagg, Thomas Tobin, Peter Wallen, George Singleton, Eileen Needham, Mary Watts, Michael Kelly, John Hamblin, Emily Franklin, Eleanor Yorke-Starkey. †

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for all those who are sick or housebound in our parish, as well as our friends and family.

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence.

Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits.

May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts.

We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed.

Amen.

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

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Office Hours - Office closed this week.

Re-opens Mon 2nd August at 8.30am.

Hall Bookings: 292726 in office hours

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