

ANNIVERSARIES IN OCTOBER

Please remember the following :

† Joseph Avery, Alfred Braithwaite, Joyce Brown, Mary Bushell, Conner Campbell, Kathleen Coleman, Gladys Coombes, Samuel Cottham, Ella Crawford, Anne Cusack, Mary Denney, Les Dowie, Marcelle Duncan, Lorraine Ellis, Freya Falconer, Adrian Gallagher, Mary Gargan, Anne Goldsworthy, Harry Manfred Gravestock, Bernard Humphrey, Mark Keenan, Violet Linker, Christina McFadden, Kate Mclaughlin, Rosemary O'Brien, Eileen O' Connor, Anna Smith, Stanley Smith, Minnie Standing, Brian Sullivan, John Trainor, Tanya Walton, Fred Wicker, John Corr, Pamela Partington, Simon Zialor†

MASS RESPONSES

Responsorial Psalm 6pm and 8.45am

What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we are glad.

Responsorial Psalm - 10.45am

Great indeed are your works, O Lord, now and evermore! (repeat)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

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.

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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.

The Catholic Parish of

ST. GEORGE and the English Martyrs



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



Dear friends in Christ,

The month of November is nearly upon us and, as you know, it is dedicated to the Holy Souls. It is a time when we remember and pray for all those who have gone before us.

The practice of praying for the dead is rooted first in the Christian belief in the everlasting life promised in Jesus' teachings – "I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die." (John 11).

Praying for the dead has further origins in our belief in the *communion of saints*. As it is usual for us to pray for living people who need guidance, help and support, so we pray for those who have died and have made or are making their way to God. We also believe that we are still very much connected to them; they still love us and we still love them! And so, for the month of November they come into special focus as our love is translated into prayer and thanksgiving for their lives. While we assist them with our prayers, we also ask them to pray for us as we make our journey through life.

In the porch of the church you will find 'Holy Souls' envelopes in which you can place a piece of paper that lists the names of those you wish to pray for (it is customary to include a donation as well). Once you have sealed the envelope please put it in either the container which is on the altar or post it through the presbytery letter box and we will remember our beloved departed throughout the Masses of November.

"In the risen Christ death has lost its hold over mankind. Death for us is not the end of the story. It is the beginning of a new chapter. There is life after death. It is life with God. The purpose of our present life is to prepare for that. Life matters. Human life is of the body and of the spirit; in our present state each depends on the other. Life depends on love, it gives love its real meaning and its purpose. Our Eastern faith assures us that life will overcome death and love will triumph over death." (*The Mystery of Love – Cardinal Basil Hume*)

Wishing you well for the week.

Fr Brett



27th OCTOBER - 4th NOVEMBER 2018

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Saturday 27th	6.00pm	Alan Buckley RIP (Serena Fitzgerald) <i>and For All Parishioners</i>
Sunday 28th	8.45am*	30th Sunday of the Year (World Mission Day) In Reparation for 51 Years of Abortion (Ted Brown)
	10.45am	Marcelle Duncan RIP - Anniv. (Malcolm and Family)
Monday 29th	9.15am	Feria Caldwell and McDonald Families (R and P Brosnan)
Tuesday 30th	9.15am*	Feria Ursula Tophosen RIP (Anne and Ted Brown)
Wednesday 31st	11.30am	Feria Eucharistic Service
Thursday 1st	9.30am	All Saints - Holyday of Obligation For the Intentions of all Supporters of the Mpuluzi Project (Senior Justice and Peace Group)
	8.00pm	Peggy and John Gillies RIP (Gillies and Spratt Families)
Friday 2nd	9.15am	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls) Intentions of Lucy Stanley
Saturday 3rd	6.00pm	Lorraine Kelly RIP (Gabriella) Youth Mass
Sunday 4th	8.45am*	31st Sunday of the Year Mark Murray RIP - 9th Anniv. (Murray Family)
	10.45am	For the Holy Souls and 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.

COME AND HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE....

Southend Churches Winter Night Shelters have been running for eight years from December to March. 20 beds are made available in church halls in rotation every week (i.e. each church does the same night each week).

Sacred Heart Parish have been asked to provide a Night Shelter in Sacred Heart Hall on Wednesday evenings from Wednesday 5th December 2018 through to Wednesday 20th March 2019. This is for every Wednesday during this period including Wednesday 26th December (Boxing Day) and Wednesday 6th March (Ash Wednesday). They would supply beds for 20 people and a hot meal for another up to 10 "dinner only" guests. Around 25 – 30 volunteers will be needed each week and they will only be able to proceed if they have enough people willing to help. We would ask any potential volunteers to contact Sue Tokley in the Sacred Heart/St John Fisher Parish Office (01702 465720 or parish@catholicsouthend.org.uk) in the first instance.

400 CLUB

The lucky winners of our recent draw are: - £50 Mrs C. Statham; £20 Mrs J. Alcock; £15 Mrs M. Wade; £15 Mr B. Lish. Congratulations!

HEALING SERVICE AT ENGLISH MARTYRS**240 Alma Ave, Hornchurch RM12 6BJ.**

If you are feeling stressed, anxious, emotionally/psychologically broken or generally struggling with life, you are warmly invited to attend our Healing Service from 6-8pm on Saturday 1st December for emotional, psychological and spiritual healing. To register your attendance email: HealingService@English-Martyrs.com or contact Mandy on 07801470516.

SUMMER LOURDES 2019

If you are in school year 10 or above, come and join the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service on our hugely popular Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage.

We travel alongside the diocese to assist the elderly and infirm on their annual pilgrimage, particularly those in wheelchairs.

Alongside this we also run a retreat, daily Masses and excursions for the young people, as well as experiencing the Lourdes Torchlight Procession and Blessed Sacrament Procession. **Applications will be open from the evening of Sunday 21st October** and will remain open until 31st January 2019. These can be made at www.bcys.net/events where you will also find more information about the trip.

BRINGING THE STORY OF ST. NICOLAS TO LIFE THROUGH MUSIC

The story of St Nicolas - told in the wonderful music of Benjamin Britten – will be brought to life in a one-off semi-staged performance in Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 17 November at 7pm. It is supported by an attractive first half programme consisting of The Lark Ascending, Zadok the Priest, Cantique de Jean Racine and Eine Kleine Nachtmusik. Tickets are just £15 and can be booked online at Eventbrite.co.uk - St Nicolas plus Popular Choral & Orchestral Classics or obtained from 01277 219746 or Brentwood-ChoralSociety@gmail.com

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

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

COME-AND-SING MESSIAH: A STUNNING OPPORTUNITY

The chance to sing Handel's Messiah with professional soloists and orchestra in a Cathedral is one that many amateur singers covet. On 15 December at Brentwood Cathedral they have an opportunity to realise that dream. A specially formed choir will rehearse in the afternoon and perform the complete Messiah to an audience in the evening, accompanied by a first-class orchestra and a high quality line-up of soloists. It will be no ordinary performance as it will be conducted by Andrew Wright, the Cathedral's Director of Music, to celebrate serving 40 years as a Cathedral musician, first at Westminster and then since 1982 at Brentwood. Booking is now open and you can download the booking form from the Cathedral website or book by contacting David Worsfold on 01277 221445 or david.worsfold@zen.co.uk.

INVITATION TO PAN-AFRICAN ANNUAL MASS

The Pan-African Annual Mass for the African Communities will be held this Sunday, 28th October, 2018 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 51 Cambridge Park, Wanstead, London E11 2PR. The Mass will be followed by a Reception in the Parish Hall.

The Rt. Rev Paul McAleenan, Chairman for the Bishops' Committee for Migrants will be the Main Celebrant.

OFFERTORY

The offertory last weekend came to £858.80 excluding Gift Aid and standing orders. The collection for World Mission Sunday amounted to £404.70 excluding Gift Aid.

Grateful thanks to everyone for their generosity.

COFFEE MORNING

The Coffee Morning this weekend is being run by the Senior Justice and Peace Group to raise awareness of the plight of Christians imprisoned for their beliefs. All monies raised will go towards posting the cards that we hope everyone will sign for those Christians. Everyone welcome after the 10.45am Mass. Our hosts for the next few weeks are as follows: -



4th November - Friends of St. George's School (PTA)
11th November - Brentwood Catholic Children's Society
18th November - First Holy Communion Group
25th November - Lewis Dye

PPC AGM

Sunday 18th November

All welcome to come along to the Church Hall on the 18th November for the Pastoral Parish Council Annual General Meeting. Come and meet our new and re-elected Councillors and hear about what has been happening in the parish in the past year, and what plans are afoot for the coming year. Meeting starts at 6pm; refreshments served from 5.30pm.

THE GEORGIAN

Our latest issue of 'The Georgian' will be available on 3rd/4th November! Our largest magazine yet with 48 pages of interesting articles and news. Make a note to get your copy at only £1. Don't miss out.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH and HCPT GROUP 192 FIREWORKS DISPLAY Saturday 10th November

St Gregory's Church Grounds The Broadway Thorpe Bay.

Gates open at 6pm for BBQ, hot drinks mulled wine, cookies etc. Firing at 7:30 pm.

Help needed!

We are looking for a few people to help us set up and clear up after the event, as a few of our team are unavailable. Also we are looking for help serving food on the BBQ and Refreshments.

If you can help in anyway, please let us know.

Contact Suzanne or Brian through the Church Office on 292726 or Ollie Shallis 07850695191, or leave message on Facebook.



CHURCH CLEANERS

Thank you to our wonderful teams of cleaners, who keep our churches looking spick and span.

Is there anyone out there that can give a couple of hours on a rota basis, once per month, to help with the cleaning of St. George's? We always have space for a few more people and you would be made very welcome! Contact the office if you are interested.

HOMELESS NEWS

This month we are asking for: - milk, coffee and sugar as usual; extras are – Cooking Oil; Tins of Meat (Spam, Pork, Corned Beef, Ham); Meals in Tins (Chilli, Spaghetti Bolognese; Curries; Stews). Thank you very much to everyone who contributes.

REPOSITORY NEWS

Christmas cards, 2019 diaries and calendars are now on sale at St. Georges, along with lots of other lovely religious gifts.

If the weather is clement, a stall will be set up outside St. Gregory's on Sunday, 4th November. If it rains, the date for St. Gregory's will be rescheduled.

FAMILY GROUP

Thank you so much to our lovely helpers who have been coming along since September. We could use a few more so that we can get a rota going. Please let Sharon know if you can spare a couple of hours on a Tuesday morning during term time to help with the Group.

CAME UNITED SERVICE

All welcome to join with the various Waking Christian Groups at the United Service being held at the Methodist Church, High Street, Great Waking, this coming Sunday, 28th October, at 6.30pm. Look forward to seeing you there!

CAITLIN'S TRIP TO MEXICO

Photographs are now on our website of Caitlin Woodcock's trip to Mexico. Message from Caitlin: - *'HUGE thank you for everyone's support in fundraising for this trip as it was a once in a life-time experience and all your help made it possible. I would also like to say a special thank you to my granny, Maureen, for helping me so much and I'm extremely grateful for everything she has done'*



WE ARE PART OF BATTLE'S OVER – commemorating 100 years since the end of WWI November 11th 2018

St. George's is playing its part in Battle's Over, an international commemoration marking 100 years since the guns fell silent at the end of World War I.

Organised by Pageantmaster Bruno Peek LVO OBE OPR, Battle's Over takes place on November 11th 2018, with events throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, and at scores of locations overseas, including New Zealand, Ireland, Australia, Bermuda, France, Belgium, Canada, the United States and Germany, to name but a few.

It begins at 6am with **lone pipers** playing Battle's O'er, a traditional Scottish air played after a battle, outside cathedrals in the country, following which a specially written tribute will be read out. At the same time, over 1,000 pipers will be playing the tune in individual locations within their local communities.

At 6am at the Shoebury War Memorial in Campfield Road there will be 2 players performing Battle's O'er.

At 6.55pm buglers will sound the **Last Post** at more than 1,000 locations, where at 7pm beacons will be lit in a tribute called **Beacons of Light**, signifying the light of peace that emerged from the darkness of four years of war.

Then at 7.05pm over 1,000 church and cathedrals will ring their bells as part of **Ring- ing Out for Peace** organised in association with the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, which represents 65 societies of ringers from the British Isles and overseas. Also at 7.05, more than 140 town criers will perform a specially written **Cry for Peace Around the World**, the first of them in New Zealand and then across the globe through the various time zones.

At 6.55pm on Sunday 11th November, we will have a bugler from the Salvation Army play the Last Post outside of St. George's Church. This will then be followed, at 7.05pm, by the ringing of the bell 100 times. We will then hold a short prayer service to remember all of the fallen souls that gave so much to the rest of us.



A NATION'S TRIBUTE
11TH NOVEMBER 2018
100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE