

## 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. †

## MASS RESPONSES

**Responsorial Psalm 6pm and 8.45am**

Lord, how I love your law!

**Responsorial Psalm 10.45am**

Faith in God can move the mountains,  
trust in him can calm the sea.

He's my fortress, he's my stronghold, he's  
the rock who rescues me.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends says the  
Lord, because I have made known to you  
everything I have learnt from my Father.  
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

**Those who receive Holy Communion**

**at home:**

Jo Williams, Phyllis Green, Eileen Barber,  
Tom Costello, Eileen Glyde, Roland de  
Cruz, Christine Leaver, Patricia Connolly,  
Neil O'Boyle, Dolly Poskitt, Michael Ryan,  
June Dillon, Severino D'Andrea, Carmel Col-  
lis, 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 Ka-  
logerides, Maureen Woodcock, Rosie  
Stubbs, Mark Whitton, Shirley Essex, Emma  
Tredgett, Elisa Roffey, Anthony Betts, Gary  
Perez, Karel O'Rourke, Doug Woulds, Mon-  
ica 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 Oat-  
ham, Yvonne Byford, James Corr, Hilary  
Bliss, Paul Herbert, Joan O'Connor.

*The Catholic Parish of*

# ST. GEORGE

 and the English Martyrs

*Twinned with Mpuluzi, South Africa*



## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

In 2012 a Filipino Catholic priest, Fr Edwin Gariguez, won the Goldman Environmental Prize for leading a campaign against a nickel mine project on the Philippine island of Mindoro. He wanted to protect the biodiversity and the indigenous people from destructive large-scale mining. The campaign had the support of the Filipino bishops.

The Mangyan people had lived sustainably from the island's natural resources for many generations. However, Mindoro's nickel deposits attracted foreign mining companies who realised that a lot of money could be made from such deposits. Indeed, a Norwegian mining company proposed an open-pit nickel mine near two key biodiversity areas and within the watershed that feeds the island's four major rivers. These provide drinking water to lowland communities and irrigation for Mindoro's rice fields. The mine would use a process known as acid leaching to access the nickel ore, producing several million tons of toxic waste, contaminating the island's water resources and destroying the tropical forests. Mindoro's Mangyan indigenous communities would be heavily impacted by the mine, as the proposed mining area was within their ancestral land. Fr Edwin and the indigenous people challenged not only the company, but the government as well. There was a lot of profit at stake, so the mining company were not going to walk away without a fight – and there was one, which included death threats against Fr Edwin, and even the murder of a senior figure on the protest team. However, through the drastic measure of going on hunger strike, the movement against mining won and the Norwegian mining company pulled out of the area.

There are many cases like this throughout the globe, where the modern world with its 'progress' banner and the desire to make a lot of money not only tramples on the rights and vulnerability of people, but seeks to destroy the God-given beauty and natural order of things.

I wonder how the modern, fast paced world impacts upon our lives? I wonder what aspects of the beauty of our God-given humanity are overshadowed by self-interest and a false notion of advancement or progress?

Food for thought...

Fr Brett

## 29th JULY – 6th AUGUST 2017

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

<b>Saturday 29th</b>	6.00pm	<b>Marie Brand RIP</b> (Danny Brand)
<b>Sunday 30th</b>		<i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
	8.45am*	<b>For All Parishioners</b>
	10.45am	<b>Michael Kelly RIP - 6th Anniv.</b> (Christine Kelly)
<b>Monday 31st</b>		<i>St Ignatius of Loyola</i>
	9.15am	<b>Julia Kalogerides RIP - Anniv.</b> (Theo and Lucy)
<b>Tuesday 1st</b>		<i>St Alphonsus Liguri</i>
	9.15am*	<b>Matthew O'Brien RIP</b> (Doug Woulds)
<b>Wednesday 2nd</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	11.30am	<b>Trevor Bliss - In Celebration of his 80th Birthday</b> (Sharon and Family)
<b>Thursday 3rd</b>		<i>Feria</i>
	9.15am	<b>Eucharistic Service</b>
<b>Friday 4th</b>		<i>St John Vianney</i>
	9.15am	<b>Wilfrid Porter RIP - Anniv.</b> (Sharon and Family)
<b>Saturday 5th</b>		
	6.00pm	<b>Mr and Mrs Mimpres and their son Peter RIP</b> (Marjorie and Family)
<b>Sunday 6th</b>		<i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>
	8.45am*	<b>For All Parishioners</b>
	10.45am	<b>Gareth Hansen-Chambers RIP - Anniv.</b> (Sharon, Lucas and Family)

\*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.

### COFFEE MORNING

This weekend the Three M's - Marcelle, Mary and Maria, are raising money for Nazareth House. They would love you to come and join them for tea, coffee, cakes and plenty of good company.



Next weekend we will again be raising money towards treats for the St John Bosco Camp, and those children who would usually go without.

*Thank you to everyone who supported the Coffee Morning on Sunday. With your help we raised £126.75 for parish funds. Join us again on the 13th August when we will be serving **free coffee and biscuits** for everyone!*

### FUNERAL NEWS

The funeral service for Sybil 'Bunt'y' O'Brien will take place at Southend Crematorium on Tuesday 1st August at 2.20pm.

Please remember her family and friends in your prayers.

### 400 CLUB

Congratulations to the lucky winners of our recent 400 Club draw: - £50 Mr S. Goodwin; £20 Mrs J. Alcock; £15 Mrs M. Wade; £15 Mrs R. Donko.

### BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC

#### CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

We both would like to say a big thank you to everyone who sponsored us so generously for the recent sponsored walk. A joint total of £900 was raised, which has now been forwarded to the Society.

*Margaret and Joan*

#### YOUTH JUSTICE AND PEACE

Our Youth Justice and Peace Group meet in the Church Hall on Friday 15th September, from 7.30pm to 9pm. This year we are opening it up to all senior school children, so if you are starting in Year 7 in September you are more than welcome to join us!

#### HOMELESS NEWS

This month we are asking for Tins or Packets of Hot Dogs; Tins of Meatballs, Chilli con Carne, Minced Beef or Chicken in Sauce. Thank you so much to everyone who donates regularly.