

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. †

MASS RESPONSES

Responsorial Psalm

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal 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

Those who receive Holy Communion at home:

Jo Williams, Eileen Barber, Tom Costello, Eileen Glyde, Roland de Cruz, Patricia Connolly, Neil O'Boyle, Michael Ryan, June Dillon, Carmel Collis, Rudolf Seneca, Kate Baron, Jack Pollock. Margaret Yorke-Starkey.

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, Arthur Partington, John Morton, Tom Grain, Rita Docherty, Alan Parker, Tony Hatch, Margaret Everett, Paolo Angeletti, Charlotte Alexander.

Parish Administrator: Sharon Chambers

Office Hours - Mon 8.30am - 4pm; Tues

8.30am - 5.30pm; Thurs - 8.30am-3pm;

Fri 8.30am - 3.30pm.

Hall Bookings: 292726 in office hours

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The Catholic Parish of

ST. GEORGE and the English Martyrs



Twinned with Mpuluzi, South Africa

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

FAITH IN FOCUS: DIAL-A-DISCIPLE



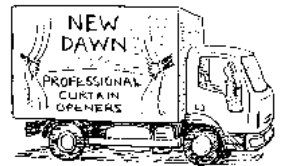
Have you noticed how as a society we are becoming less "hands-on"? We seem to do things at a distance or get others to do things for us that previously we would have sorted out ourselves. I know someone who has never done her own cleaning, washing and ironing for years because she has a woman who comes in and "does" for her. Recently it has become popular to go on the internet and get the supermarket to deliver the groceries to your front door. You never have to leave home or enter a store again! On a more serious level we have for years handed over the care of our loved ones to "professionals" claiming that we cannot cope with them at home. And at the drop of a hat we invite people into our homes, from decorators to funeral directors, on the grounds that if we pay them they will do the job for us.

In today's gospel Jesus summons the twelve apostles together and sends them out in pairs to teach people all that he himself has been teaching them since they met him. They are to be disciples, people who learn at the feet of their master and then in turn become devotees of his teaching and witnesses to its power in their own lives.

The call to be a disciple is one that Jesus continues to make in our day. If we agree to be Christians then we are signing on the dotted line to being disciples who pass on the message of eternal life.

But how exactly are we doing this? Do we make a conscious effort to be mouthpieces of the gospel in our neighbourhood, on the streets where we live and in the places where we work? Are we active apostles, bold believers or just closet Christians? If people wanted to have some idea of what it meant to follow Christ would they pick up any clues from the way we live and behave?

It would be understandable, but sad, if we fell into the trap of "distance discipleship" and "hands-off" Christianity given the way that today we put a premium on convenience rather than involvement. Yet no one else can do what Jesus asks of us. There is no person who can come in and "do" for us, no website that can absolve us from preaching Christ on the front line, no professional clergy or teachers who can make life easier for us. There's no such thing as an armchair Christian; being a disciple is a "hands-on" job.



14th JULY - 22nd JULY 2018

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Saturday 14th	6.00pm	John and Hanna Manna RIP (Manna Family)
Sunday 15th	8.45am*	15th Sunday of the Year For All Parishioners
	10.45am	Robert Wheatley RIP (Johanna)
Monday 16th	11.00am	Feria Memorial Mass for John Wilks RIP
Tuesday 17th	9.15am*	Feria Maureen Schulz RIP (Isabel and Andrew Simmonds)
Wednesday 18th	11.30am	Feria Mary O’Kane RIP (Roisin Trainor)
Thursday 19th	9.15am	Feria Eucharistic Service
Friday 20th	11.00am*	Feria Requiem Mass for Christine Leaver RIP
Saturday 21st	6.00pm	James Mann and Jean Woulds RIP (D. Woulds)
Sunday 22nd	8.45am*	Sixteenth Sunday of the Year Deceased Family of Mrs Law
	10.45am	Bridie Priestley RIP (Mike and Family) <i>and</i> 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.

WEEKEND FOR MEN AGED OVER 30

Friday 14th to Sunday 16th September
at St. Beuno’s Spirituality Centre, North Wales

Are you a man over thirty, content, but wondering about the direction of your life?

Do you sense that you may be approaching a major threshold or turning point?

Have you sometimes found yourself wondering whether the priesthood or religious life may be an option? If any of these questions apply, this weekend is for you!

Details and booking form for the weekend from:

<http://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/weekend-individually-guided-retreat-men-aged-30>

SUMMER LOURDES 2018 – the “virtual pilgrimage.”

From Tuesday 24th to Saturday 29th July the BCYS will present short online videos allowing you to catch the flavour of the Diocesan pilgrimage, led by Bishop Alan. The homily from each Mass, interviews with pilgrims from all ages, and clips to help you pray and reflect will all be available. To find the links, go to www.bcys.net or find BCYS on Twitter, Facebook or Instagram. You can also watch “Lourdes TV” to see Mass at the Grotto (Tuesday 24th, 7.30am UK time); the Torchlight procession (Tuesday 24th, 8.00pm) and the Blessed Sacrament Procession (Wednesday 25th, 4.00pm) as well as Tour de France, starting from Lourdes (Friday 27th, 8am – 11am). The link is www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes

WALSINGHAM HOUSE AT ABBOTSWICK

Celebrate the “official opening” of Walsingham House at Abbotswick (Navestock Side, Near Brentwood, CM14 5SH), Saturday 1st September. Grounds open 11am; Mass with Bishop Alan at 12noon. Throughout the afternoon there will be live music and bouncy castles. You are welcome to bring a picnic; Barbecued food, Cream teas and ice creams will also be on sale. Celebrate the refurbishment of Walsingham House at Abbotswick, the prayer, peace and space that is here, and the youth ministry that welcomes 5,000 young people through its doors every year. More information www.bcys.net/WHAbbotswick

CATHOLIC SCHOOL GOVERNORS

We are looking to identify new Foundation Governors and Directors for our Catholic schools and academies across the Diocese of Brentwood. We are seeking expressions of interests from practising committed Catholics for this role and ministry. Foundation Governors are personally appointed by the Bishop to Diocesan schools to represent his interests and those of the Catholic community as a whole.

The Governors of a Catholic school work as a team, in close co-operation with the headteacher and all the staff. Foundation Governors share the responsibilities of all governors:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

If you are interested and want to be considered please send a CV to sophierussell@dioceseofbrentwood.org

CALAIS LIGHT

Ever felt you'd like to help destitute migrants in Calais but not known where to start? We run regular weekend car convoys from Brentwood Cathedral to chop veg and sort Refugee donations at the amazing Help Refugees UK Warehouse in Calais. Never mind the reasons WHY migrants are in Calais - the fact is they are there now - without resources, hungry, struggling. We feel strongly that part of our Christian mission is to support them one way or another. Please think about this and volunteer with us. If you can't, please donate with compassion at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/calaislight. Next Trip 28th-30th Sept. Sign up to volunteer on our Facebook page 'Calais Light', email us at:- calaislight@yahoo.com or check out the Brentwood Cathedral Website.

COFFEE MORNING

This weekend Dianne will be raising money for Fair Havens Hospice. Please come and support this very worthwhile cause. We look forward to seeing you after the 10.45am Mass to enjoy tea, coffee and cakes, and see friends, old and new!



The next few Coffee Mornings are as follows: -

22nd July - SPUC

29th July - St. John Bosco Camp

5th August - 669

Apologies, but due to unforeseen circumstances, the Family Group Coffee Morning was cancelled at short notice last week.

FUNERAL NEWS

There are a couple of funerals taking place this week, which will replace the morning Masses: -

Monday 16th July, 11am at St.

George's - Memorial Mass for John Wilks.

Friday 20th July, 11am at St. Gregory's - Requiem Mass for Christine Leaver.

Please remember John, Christine and their families and friends in your prayers.

COFFEE MORNINGS 2018/19

Okay, folks, it is time to put your name/organisation forward if you want a Coffee Morning between 1st November 2018 and 31st October 2019. I will be planning the new rota from September onwards, so if you think that you would like one or two Coffee Mornings please let me know. In particular, if you, or one of your children thinks they may be going out to Lourdes with the BCYS in 2019, please book a Coffee Morning in early. It can always be reallocated if you don't need it. Many thanks, Sharon.
p.s. There are free dates on 12th August and 26th August 2018 if anyone wants to raise money then.

JOHN WILKS RIP

Cath and Family would be pleased if you could join them, after John's Memorial Mass, for a light lunch in the Church Hall.

Also, in lieu of flowers, if anyone wishes to give a donation it will go to Diabetes Research in memory of John.

HOMELESS NEWS

This month we are asking for: - Corned Beef, Ham, Spam etc for sandwiches; and meals in tins such as Curries, Hotpots etc. and also any fruit squashes

Also, thanks to your amazing generosity, we have enough tea bags to open our own Tea Shop!! Can we ask that you don't donate any more tea bags for the time being please until the Service Users have drunk their way through the majority of them. Thank you so much to everyone who has helped us with our requests.

400 CLUB

The Lucky winners from our June draw are: - £50 Mrs M. Munson; £20 Mrs C. Goodchild; £15 Mrs C. DeViel; £15 Mr N. Folkard. Congratulations!

OFFERTORY

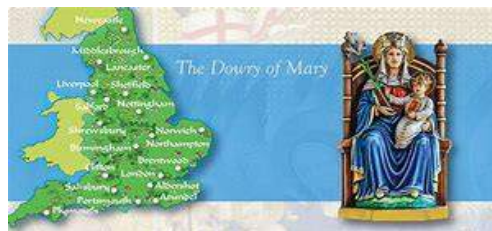
The offertory last weekend came to £536.55 excluding Gift Aid and standing orders. The retiring collection for Apostleship of the Sea amounted to £333.28 excluding Gift Aid. Many thanks to you all.

SPUC COFFEE MORNING

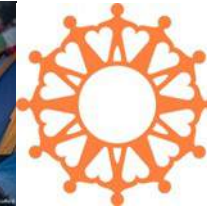
Denise Filmer will be holding the annual Coffee Morning in aid of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children on the 22nd July. Any donations of cakes, raffle prizes or help on the day for this coffee morning will be very gratefully received. Thank you.

THE DOWRY TOUR

The Slipper Chapel statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will visit Brentwood Cathedral from Thursday 19th – Saturday 21st July. An opening Mass will be celebrated by Mgr John Armitage at 7.30 pm on 19th July in Brentwood Cathedral to which everyone is invited. For more details about the Dowry pilgrimage and the events at Brentwood Cathedral please go to <http://www.cathedral-brentwood.org/blog-2/> Our Lady of Walsingham, pray for us.



Date for your diary: **Friday 7th September 2018**



Share the Journey
#sharejourney

More people than ever before are fleeing war, persecution, natural disaster and poverty. In autumn this year world leaders will sign two new agreements at the United Nations.

The global agreements are a united response to the current refugee and migration crisis. In their presentations at each of the weekend masses recently the Youth J&P group reminded us that Pope Francis has urged all Christians to pray that the agreements:

- respect human dignity
- protect the vulnerable
- support host countries

- keeps families together
- tackles the reasons why people migrate.

On Friday 7th September, to coincide with the publication of the refugee agreement the Senior J&P group will be hosting an hour of reflection and prayer on the continuing crisis. Note the date and check the newsletter for further details.

MEDITATIVE ROSARY

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

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

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