



Thursday is the memorial of St Cecilia

WEEKLY EVENTS

COFFEE AFTER MASS

Sundays in the Church Porch after the 9.00 am Mass

CHILDREN'S

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sundays in term-time during the 11.30 am Mass

SOCIETY OF

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Tuesdays : 7.00 pm in the Church Sacristy

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM

Wednesdays at 9.30 am inside the church

CHURCH GARDENING TEAM

Meets Wednesdays at 9.30 am outside the church

4TH COLLIER ROW

SCOUT GROUP

Beaver Scouts

Wednesdays at 4.45 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

Cub Scouts

Wednesdays at 6.00 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

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Wednesdays at 7.45 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

THURSDAY CLUB

1.15 - 3.15 pm

in the Parish Centre Hall

OUR LADY'S

PRAYER GROUP

Thursdays : 7.30 – 9.00 pm at 10 Norman Close

BABY & TODDLER GROUP

(for parents and toddlers)
Fridays : 1.00 – 2.30 pm in the Parish Centre Hall

TALKS ON THE FAITH

Our programme of sessions for anyone interested in exploring the Catholic Faith continues this weekend Sunday 18 November: 4.30 – 5.30 pm in Church House. The topic: *The Bible: history of salvation.*

MISSIO

Many thanks to all those who have recently donated to Missio via the Red Box. Your generosity and kindness have been wonderful. The final date for donations for 2018 is Sunday 9 December. Brown envelopes (and Gift Aid forms if you wish) are at the back of the church. Also available is the Missio 2019 Calendar; please feel free to take a copy if you are interested in the role and scope of mission in the 21st century. *Kate Welcome, Parish Missio Co-ordinator*

OPEN DAYS FOR SEPTEMBER 2019 INTAKE

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Lowshoe Lane, Collier Row, Romford RM5 2AP

telephone: 01708-745655

email: office@saint-patricks.org.uk

21st November @ 10am & 2.00pm

22nd November @ 6.00pm

TEA DANCE

The next Tea Dance is on Wednesday 21 November from 1.30 – 4.30pm at St Alban's Parish Hall, Langdale Gardens, RM12 5LB. Dancing to the very popular John McHugh on tour from Ireland, playing music to suit all tastes. Refreshments will be available. Admissions £5.00 all proceeds to parish funds. For further information, please contact John O'Connor on 07903- 366992.

WALSINGHAM HOUSE AT ABBOTSWICK

Service to Commemorate Loved Ones in the Month of November

Those with relatives and friends commemorated at Abbotswick are warmly invited to a service of prayer on Thursday 29 November at 6.00pm. The names of those remembered here will be read out during the service, which will include hymns and scripture readings and will be followed by tea and cakes. Please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or call 01277-373959 if you have any questions; otherwise, simply turn up on the evening.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Children and families are now able to access direct therapeutic support in one of our clinics. Sessions take place after school or at an evening clinic at our counselling suites in Rayleigh. Our highly experienced counsellors provide support directly to the whole family or to children and adolescents on a 1:1 basis. If you are concerned that your child may need someone to talk to, please contact Catherine on cmunns@bccs.org.uk. There is a sessional charge, so please enquire.

COMPANY SPONSORSHIP FOR OUR YOUTH SERVICE?

In 2019 the BCYS will take 35 young people to Costa Rica and Panama for World Youth Day with Pope Francis, and 250 young people to Lourdes to serve the ill and elderly. Each young person will have polo shirts and hoodies, and will be in lots of photos and videos – would you consider your company name and logo on the front, back and/or sleeves of each shirt and hoodie, as well as on posters and our website throughout the year? Corporate sponsorship will help our young people in financial need to come to such events, and support Youth Ministry across the Diocese. If you own a company, and can help, please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or phone Fr Dominic on 01277-373959. Thank you.

CALAIS LIGHT

Ever felt you'd like to help the destitute migrants in Calais but not known where to start? We run regular weekend car convoys from Brentwood Cathedral to chop veg & 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 & volunteer with us. If you can't, please donate with compassion so we can keep helping them at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/calaislight. Next Trip 30th November-2nd December. Sign up to volunteer or donate on our Facebook page 'Calais Light', or on our website calaislight.com or email us at calaislight@yahoo.com or check out the Brentwood Cathedral Website.

BURSARIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Do you have children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews aged between 16 and 24 who are planning to do some good works to help others? Perhaps spending time in their holidays in a third world country helping others or accompanying a HCPT Pilgrimage to Lourdes. If so, the Catenian Association Bursary Fund may be able to give a grant. Details at www.thecatenians.com/bursary

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

On Wednesdays 23rd and 30th January at 7 pm Fr Adrian Gruffy will lead an exploration of the Gospel of Luke, the gospel being read on Sundays in 2019. These 'Gidea Park Faith Evenings' will take place in the hall at Gidea Park Catholic Church (410 Brentwood Road, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH). Please book by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com Refreshments provided. Admission free.

AUTUMN SPIRITUALITY TALK

Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT : 10.30 am to 12.00 noon

Saturday 1 December : "Advent Spirituality" - Bishop Alan Williams sm

For further details contact: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org Tel. 01277- 265285

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Wednesday is the **Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** – although based only on pious legend, this feast has a special value as a link with the Eastern Church, where it has been celebrated for well over a thousand years.

Thursday is the **Memorial of St Cecilia** - as a virgin-martyr she was held in high honour from the sixth century onwards, but her dates and history are unknown. Her body was discovered in the catacomb of St Callistus outside the ancient City of Rome and was transferred to the Basilica built in her honour in the area "across the Tiber" – Trastevere. She is patron of musicians.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Clement I** - he was the third successor of St Peter as Bishop of Rome and is remembered mainly by an important letter he wrote to the Corinthians. He was put to death in what is now the Crimea in 101 AD, the third year of the Emperor Trajan, by being thrown into the sea tied to an anchor. Our parish has a link with this first century Pope. Following an ancient tradition, when an altar is consecrated, the relics of a saint are placed under or inside it. The altar of our church contains the relics of two early Roman martyrs (St Rufina and St Clement); every time we celebrate Mass, as the priest kisses the altar, he does so to reverence and honour these holy saints.

LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society will be hosting their very popular Ladies' Christmas Luncheon on Friday 7 December 12 for 12.30pm at the Rayleigh Golf Club, Hullbridge. Ladies will be treated to a delicious two course lunch with tea & coffee in the luxurious surroundings of a private room over-looking the golf course at this exclusive club. Tickets cost £25.00 per person. To reserve your place, please call Libby on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk

TEACHER OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REQUIRED at The Palmer Catholic Academy

Full details of the post and application forms are available from the Academy's website at www.tpc.cacademy. The closing date for completed applications is 12.00 noon on Monday 19 November 2019. Completed application forms should be emailed to the Headteacher's PA, Mrs Bolton, at jbolton@tpc.academy

VACANCY FOR A PART-TIME BURSAR at The Ursuline Preparatory School Ilford

From: January 2019. Salary: £45,000 FTE depending on qualifications and experience. Closing date: 30th November 2018, Interviews will be held on 6th December 2018. The Governors are seeking to appoint a dynamic, inspiring, ambitious Part-time Bursar with a proven track record of successful leadership at senior level. Please submit a statement in support of your application together with your Application Form. Application forms can be found on our website <http://www.urspsi.org.uk/school/careers/> together with further details of the position. Please return your completed application form via email to: urspsi@urspsi.org.uk. You may also request a pack by contacting the school office on 020-8518 4050.

"Do not follow Jesus only when you feel like it, rather, seek him every day. Find in him the God who loves you always" – Pope Francis