

Monday is the Memorial of St Robert Bellarmine

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

"DEO GRATIAS" PRAYER GROUP

Monday mornings: 10.30 am at 15 Burland Road

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

Scouts

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

REVISED ROTA FOR READERS AND COMMUNION MINISTERS

The current rota will continue until the end of September; from the beginning of October there will be a few changes to the teams. These will be published on the website from 22 September; paper copies will also be available.

THE GREAT PYX AMNESTY

Our supply of pyxes (the small container used to take the Blessed Sacrament to the sick or housebound) has become so depleted we now have none at all; we should have fifteen at the very least. Most of the Ministers that regularly take Holy Communion to the housebound have their own pyx. If you have borrowed a pyx and are no longer using it: please return it to the sacristy. No questions asked!!

SVP - NATIONAL AWARENESS MONTH

September is the SVP National Awareness Month. This year the theme of our Awareness Month is "Beyond Boundaries", highlighting the fact that poverty exists beyond where we can see, ie loneliness and social isolation. From this weekend and for the next four weeks there will be a display in the church porch reflecting the diversity of the Society's work that members are involved in, together with leaflets detailing how you can become a member of our group here at Corpus Christi. There are also copies of a report for 2016-2017 covering England and Wales detailing the work undertaken by our members. Please do take a few minutes to have a look and feel free to take any of the leaflets.

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 5th November @ 2.00pm 12th November @ 10am

21st November @ 10am & 2.00pm

22nd November @ 6.00pm

AN INTELLIGENT PERSON'S GUIDE TO CATHOLICISM

Are you 18-35? Do you have an enquiring mind? Do you want to think more deeply about who God is and what the death and resurrection of Christ means? If so, then "An Intelligent Person's Guide to Catholicism" at Brentwood Cathedral is for you. Beginning on 19th September. More information at www.cathedral-brentwood.org

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

invites you to a Mass in honour of our patron Stella Maris, Our Lady Star of the Sea. Come pray for the work of Apostleship of the Sea and for seafarers on Thursday 20 September at 915 am in the Cathedral of St Mary & St Helen, Ingrave Road, Brentwood, CM15 8AT. Bishop Alan Williams will celebrate Mass, followed by a reception. All invited. Please RSVP by email toroland@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

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. Alternatively, 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.

ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC AREA FESTIVAL Saturday 29 September at Chelmsford Cathedral

A special one-day Come and Sing Event for Choirs and Individual Singers led by James Davy, Master of the Music, Chelmsford Cathedral and featuring the music of Martin Shaw who died 60 years ago in 1958. All choirs and individual singers are welcome. Registration 10 a.m. Festival Service 4 p.m. Registrations and requests for the booklet containing the music (£5) to be used in the Festival to Shirley Timmins, 156 Warley Hill, Brentwood, CM14 5HF. Telephone (answerphone) 01277-233302 or e-mail shirleytimmins@btinternet.com or through the website www.rscm-eel.org.uk.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THE EUROPEAN PROJECT

A study day on this theme will be held at the Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH on Saturday 6 October. The speaker will be Fr Ashley Beck, priest of the archdiocese of Southwark, and Senior Lecturer in Pastoral Ministry at St Mary's University, Twickenham. The day begins at 11 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. Admission is free and refreshments will be provided. Please bring your own lunch. Please make your booking by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com

FAMILY CEILI NIGHT: Saturday 6 October at The Campion School. See noticeboard for details.

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial St Robert Bellarmine** – a leader in the Church's effort to recover from the Reformation, he lived from 1542 to 1621. He was a Jesuit who became Archbishop of Capua in southern Italy, and a Cardinal. His translated writings played a significant part in keeping the knowledge of the Faith alive in England and Wales during penal times.

Wednesday is the **National Memorial of St Theodore of Canterbury** – an Asiatic Greek, he was educated at Tarsus, spent some time in Athens and was a monk at Rome. At the age of 66 he was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury in the year 666. He is rightly regarded as the second founder (after Augustine) of the See of Canterbury and the first Primate of All England. He visited all parts of the country, consolidated dioceses, promoted learning, opened schools and held the first national council at Hertford in 672. He has a claim to be considered one of the greatest figures in English history.

Thursday is the **Memorial of SS Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions** – martyrs of Korea. Andrew was born into a Christian and noble family; at 15 he went to China, where he was ordained priest. He returned clandestinely to Korea (he was Korea's first native priest), was discovered, arrested and beheaded in1846. St Paul was a heroic layman; born in 1795, he saw both his parents die as martyrs. He himself was persecuted, imprisoned and beheaded for his faith in 1839. Andrew and Paul, together with another 101 Korean martyrs, were canonised in 1984.

Friday is the **Feast of St Matthew** - a Jew who worked for the occupying Romans as a tax collector and, therefore, despised by the people as a collaborator. Jesus saw him whilst seated in the customs house and called him; he left everything and followed. His Gospel was written in the second half of the first century, probably in Syria, where he went to evangelise the population.

BCYS YOUTH GATHER: 20th - 21st October 2018, Essex Outdoors, East Mersea

This event is open to those in school year 9 and above. We are delighted to be back at Essex Outdoors on Mersea Island for our annual Youth Gather, where there is new cabin accommodation and a brilliant range of outward bound activities. We will combine opportunities for climbing high ropes, abseiling, zip wires and much more to keep you challenged and entertained, with guest speakers and workshops which will give you fresh insights into yourself, and your faith, by telling their stories. One of our speakers for this Autumn will be the lively, humorous and engaging speaker Fr Paul Keane, Vice Rector of St Mary's College, Oscott.

The cost includes lunch and dinner on Saturday 20th, breakfast and lunch on Sunday 21st, two Mersea activities, 2 BCYS workshops, and a night in a Mersea log cabin – all of this for just £50. This price is thanks to National Youth Sunday parish collections, to help us subsidise such opportunities.

Applications for this year's Youth Gather on Mersea Island are now open! You can apply by creating an account at www.bcys.net and applying on the Events page.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

There is a healing weekend for men and women who find themselves single again following separation, divorce or the death of a partner from 5th to 7th October 2018 at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell, Essex. For details please contact Freda 01322-838415 or Sandra 01293-783965 or email johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk.