

MASS INTENTIONS
Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Saturday 15 th October – St Teresa of Jesus	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 16 th October Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Ray Monie (R.I.P)
	11.00am	Seamus Herbert (I.N.T)
Monday 17 th October – St Ignatius of Antioch	9.00am	No Mass – Coach leaving for Brentwood at 8am
Tuesday 18 th October – St Luke	9.00am	Father Richard Rowe (R.I.P)
Wednesday 19 th October – Feria	9.00am	Holy Souls
Thursday 20 th October – Feria	9.00am	Helen Ging
Friday 21 st October – Feria	9.00am	Ramon Galit (R.I.P)
Saturday 22 nd October – Feria	9.00am	Bill Shorey (R.I.P)

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

Saturday 22 nd October – Feria	6.30pm	Barbara Carter (R.I.P)
Sunday 23 rd October – Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time	9.00am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	David Evans (R.I.P)

October is the month dedicated to Mary; we will be having rosary in the Peace Garden every evening at 5pm. All families are welcome.

Reflection for the week:

Let us therefore desire nothing, wish for nothing, take pleasure in and delight in nothing except our Creator, Redeemer, and Saviour, the one God, who is the plenitude of goodness, all good, complete good, the true and supreme good. For he alone is holy, just, true, and righteous; he alone is beneficent, innocent, pure; and from him, through him and in him is all pardon, all grace, all glory for the penitent and the righteous, as for all the blessed saints who rejoice in Heaven. Let nothing hinder us, nothing separate us, nothing disturb us. Let us all, everywhere and always, daily and constantly believe in him sincerely and humbly. Let us enshrine the most high, supreme, eternal God in our hearts; Let us honour, adore, praise, and bless, glorify and exalt, magnify and thank him who is Trinity in Unity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, Creator of all things, and the Saviour of all who love, hope and trust in him... He is worthy of all blessing, praise and glory, exalted, sublime, sweet, lovable, full of delight and to be desired above all things for ever and ever. – **Saint Francis of Assisi**



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15th and 16th October 2022

We live in an instant culture and there is no space or time to wait. It's no surprise that any kind of delay can make us impatient, frustrated and irritable. But the most important things in life are not instant, they are usually the fruit of hard and persistent effort over time.

The call to prayer in the gospel is marked by perseverance, by patience. God is prepared to listen to us, his 'chosen ones'. He is prepared to answer, but how long will we give him? There may be a temptation to give up on God in prayer because we don't think he answers fast enough; he is not immediate enough. But prayer is all about building a lifelong relationship with the God who created us to share life in and with him. The point of the parable is to 'pray continually and never lose heart'. To build a sound and lasting relationship takes time and trust.

We would all like things to be straightforward and simple, to have the answers on a plate. But the gospel calls for patient trust in God. He perseveres with us; is our faith characterised by a patient trust in him?

Suggestions for the Week:

Set aside five minutes of every day to spend time in prayer with God.

Think of people who may be asking for time or help; and let us give our time and help this week out of love, not just for peace and quiet.

God Bless and Keep Safe,
Canon Maurice

Please pray for all who are sick, including:

Nell Addison, Paul & Eva Au, Michael Balfour, Doreen Banister, John Barry, William Bradbury, Vincent Brady, Rob Brown, Rose Cahill, John Carty, Sarah Content, Maureen Daly, Katherine Day, Desmond family, Denis Doherty, Gerry Dique, Rose Dique, Charlotte Dudenney, Dylan Dunbar, Nancy Donovan, Ann Dunn, Margaret Dumbrill John Finan, James Francis, Anna Gawlik, Maisie Glennon, Maureen Gorham, Kevin Harty, Bernadette Heddle, Peter Hemsley, Ellen Hurley, Mathew John, Christine Johnson, Jenny Jones, Julia Joseph, Kathleen Kavanagh, Stuart Keen, Francesca Kelly, Baby Stephen Kelly, George Kiparrisi, Mary Lynes, Siobhan McKeon, Norah McLoughlin, Gladys McQuaid, Matthew Milnar, John Morrison, Jim Nolan, Brian Nash, Ivan Opoku-Agyemang, Baby Teegan Oakley, Cecilia O'Connor, Vincent Okolo, Dean Partleton, Teresa Pitman, Baby Teddy Rands, Jennie Reddy, Rosetta Reehill, Nellie Ringrose, Dorothy Ryan, Mary Sayers, Marina Scarff, Teresa Shorey, John Sinclair, Charles Stimpson, Crystal Stimpson, Julia Thomas, Theresa Wiseman, Elizabeth Wyles, Theresa Carty, Jay Spencer, Baby Sophie Geary, Irene (Evelyn's sister) and Clara Yankey. For those we know and the many we do not know, we pray to the Lord

PARISH FINANCES

8th & 9th October

Loose
£601.36

Envelopes
£345.20

Donations and Gift Aid Form

We have been asked to provide details so that parishioners can pay their donations by direct debit or standing order. It is an easier form of donation the details are as follows:

Bank HSBC

Account name: Catholic Church Elm Park St Albans

Sort Code: 40-13-22

Account number: 31019848

We can still collect the gift aid for these donations so please remember to fill in the gift aid form.

St John's RC Special School, Woodford Bridge: is recruiting for a Head Cook.

Previous experience essential, hours 8am-2.30pm Monday to Friday term time only for a job description and application form please contact the school office on 020 8504 1818 or email office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk Successful applicants will be subject to an enhanced DBS check. www.stjohnsrcschool.co.uk

Right to Life:

We pray for all expectant mothers. We pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities, as they journey through this life-changing experience

Good Counsel Network: There have now been over ten million abortions in Great Britain since the Abortion Act was passed 55 years ago, on 27th October 1967. On this terrible anniversary please pray and fast for the end of abortion in this country. On Thursday 27th October please go to Mass, say an extra Rosary and give up some food for the day. Share this with your friends on Facebook, www.facebook.com/events/445182234149350/

Confirmation 2022/2023

Next Confirmation session will take place on the 5th of November at 4pm.

First Holy Communion 2022-2023

The next session for the first Holy communion will be on the 20th October at 7pm. Parents will meet in the church and the children will meet in the Parish Hall.

Journey in Faith Programme (RCIA)- Anyone who wishes to know more about the basics of the Faith or is interested in joining the Church is invited to the weekly sessions which takes place on Mondays at 7:30pm in the Presbytery. Any Parishioner who wishes to support this group, is also invited to come along.

The Relics of St Bernadette

The relics of St Bernadette will come to our diocese this coming week. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray with the woman to whom Our Lady chose to appear in Lourdes. Here are the details:

BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL, this weekend, Sunday 16 October, 11 am: Relics of St Bernadette arrive. **11:30 am:** Holy Mass, celebrated by Bp Alan. **6:30 pm:** Holy Mass, led by the Youth Service. **9 pm:** Cathedral closes. **Monday 17 October, 6 am:** Cathedral opens. **9.15 am:** Holy Mass. 12 noon Relics of St Bernadette leave.

Our parish has organised a coach to go to Brentwood on the Monday 17th of October for the 9:15am Mass. The coach will leave at 8am and return after the Mass, this will give people a chance from our parish to be in the presence of the relics of St Bernadette. There will be no 9am Mass at St Albans Church on the Monday 17th of October.

BCYS Notice

BCYS Youth Mass in the Presence of the Relics of St Bernadette: Sunday 16th October, 6:30pm, Brentwood Cathedral. Please join the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service, with Bishop Alan presiding and Fr Dominic Howarth preaching. Open to anyone, no need to book!

BCYS Youth Gather: 22nd - 23rd October, Mersea Island. Guest speakers Barry and Margaret Mizen will be sharing the incredible story of how they chose to forgive the man who killed their son Jimmy the day after his 16th Birthday. The SVP will also be leading a workshop, and there will be the chance to try a brilliant range of activities from climbing, high ropes, archery and so much more! The cost is just £55 for the weekend, with coach travel and all meals included.

This event is for anyone in years 9-13, and you can book NOW at www.bcys.net/events

Catechist Training and Resources Day: 5th November, 10am – 3pm at Sacred Heart of Mary School, Upminster. Open to any First Holy Communion and Confirmation Catechists, as well as those leading Youth Groups, Children's Liturgy or similar! A range of fantastic workshops and keynote speech from David Wells. There will also be a session for any young catechists looking to develop their faith post-confirmation (16+). For all information and to book, please visit

www.bcys.net/events/catechistday2022

World Youth Day

On Monday 24th October bookings open for Lourdes, and this Sunday (16th) we have the special Youth Mass in the presence of the relics of St Bernadette. Claire and Gabby from the BCYS will continue to regularly update you with many forthcoming opportunities – including the Flame Congress, where nearly 500 young people from across the Diocese are now booked in. Please do everything you can to share the chances for events, retreats and pilgrimages, and please personally invite young people whenever possible.

Nigerian Mass:

There is a Nigerian Mass every first Sunday of the Month in our parish. The next monthly Mass will take place on the 6th of November at 2pm. All are welcome.