

**CATHEDRAL OF ST MARY  
AND ST HELEN  
HOLY CROSS AND ALL SAINTS**

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29th & 30th Sundays Ordinary Time  
16th - 30th October 2022



**GENERAL PARISH NEWS**

**VISIT OF RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE**

*Sunday 16th October:*

*11.00 a.m. arrival of relics*

11.30 a.m. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan Williams

12.30 p.m. The Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary

6.30 p.m. Mass led by Brentwood Catholic Youth Service

8.30 p.m. The Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary

*The Cathedral will be open throughout the day  
for people to venerate the relics*

Please note that the Cathedral will close at 9.00 p.m.

*Monday 17th October:*

Cathedral will open at 6.00 a.m.

*The Cathedral will be open throughout the day  
for people to venerate the relics*

6.00 a.m. The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

8.30 a.m. The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary

9.15 a.m. Mass

12 noon Angelus and relics leave the Cathedral

**ENERGY COSTS** are a concern for all of us at this time and this includes the parish with our many buildings including the Cathedral, Clergy House and halls. Many of us have grown accustomed to flicking on an electric light switch or leaving an appliance running such as a dishwasher. But, now, all of us have to rethink how we are using energy. Please keep in mind the significant costs that the parish will face this Winter and play your part by turning off hall and toilet lights and do not leave electrical appliances running.

**COFFEE AFTER 9.30 MASS** on Sunday 23rd October will be hosted by St Helen's Ladies Group. Please do come along and join us. *There is no coffee this weekend due to the visit of the relics of St Bernadette.*

**CONFIRMATION NEWS** The young men and women of our Confirmation group organised the coffee after the 9.30am Mass

Visit of Relics of St Bernadette to Brentwood Cathedral  
Sunday 16th 11.00 a.m. - Monday 17th at 12 noon  
To register your visit, go to [www.stbernadette.org.uk](http://www.stbernadette.org.uk)

last Sunday in order to raise money for the homeless. They raised over £260 which will be put towards essential toiletries to those in temporary accommodation or without housing. A huge thank you to them for their efforts and to their catechists who work so hard to support them.

**HOLY HOUR** takes place every Monday evening from 6.30 - 7.30 p.m. and is an opportunity to come into the Lord's presence. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available during this time.

**ROSARY FOR UKRAINE AND PEACE IN OUR WORLD** will be prayed at 6.10 p.m. each Monday.

**CHORAL VESPERS** is celebrated in the Cathedral on Wednesdays at 6.00 p.m. (during term time). Everyone is welcome to join us.

**LITTER PICKING** - why not join us to help care for our local environment as we litter pick around the Cathedral after 9.30 a.m. mass on **Sunday 23rd October**. Everyone is welcome (especially accompanied children) and all equipment is provided so we just need your willingness to lend a hand for less than an hour. Pope Francis calls us to care for our common home and this is a practical way we can answer his call.

**WORLD MISSION DAY** On **Sunday 23rd October**, we welcome Fr Philip Adede MHM to the parish who will make an appeal on behalf of *Missio*, the Pope's charity for world mission.

*Missio* ignites God's love by helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Sometimes this need might be very specific: a motorbike for a Priest to celebrate Mass in remote villages; a simple community hall so people can gather together; vaccinations to protect vulnerable children. Whatever our missionaries need to help them share the joy of the Gospel, *Missio* strives to provide it. To find out more about the work of *Missio* go to [www.missio.org.uk](http://www.missio.org.uk)

**AN EVENING WITH TERRY WAITE** at St Thomas of Canterbury Church, Brentwood on **Tuesday 25th October** at 7.00 p.m. For more information go to [www.Ingravechurches.com](http://www.Ingravechurches.com)

**FOODBANK COLLECTION** We will be holding a parish collection for the Foodbank on the weekend of **29/30th October**; the Food Bank would especially welcome donations of any tinned items such as meat, potatoes, fruit, fish, spaghetti and vegetables along with any breakfast cereals, long life milk and treats and non-food items such as nappies, detergents, toilet rolls and toiletries can be left at the collection point in the car park before and after each Mass on **Sunday 30th October** or in the Cathedral narthex.

If you wish to donate money instead, please place cash in an envelope clearly marked with 'Brentwood Foodbank Donation' or make cheques payable to Brentwood Foodbank.

**WE REMEMBER OUR DEAD** and the communion that we still enjoy with them during the month of November. We also pray and offer Masses for the repose of their souls in the eternal life of God.

*Why do we offer Mass for the dead?* We believe that there exists a living communion between us and our brothers and sisters "who have gone ahead of us marked the sign of faith". Just as we pray for each other and share each other's burdens on earth, we can offer prayers and sacrifices to help the departed souls undergoing purification, and no better prayer could be offered than that of the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

*How do you offer a Mass for a deceased person?*

- i) Please write the name of the deceased on an envelope and mark "RIP"
- ii) There is no payment for having a Mass said for a deceased loved one, but you may wish to make an offering. In this way you participate more intimately in the sacrifice of the Mass offered, by making a sacrifice of your own, and, you help support and provide for the physical needs of the clergy.
- iii) Please hand in your envelope to the office and, Mo, the parish secretary, will allocate a date and time for the Mass to

be said either in the parish or the Mass will be offered by a priest elsewhere. Sometimes Mass intentions will be sent to priests in other parts of this country or abroad who have very few Mass intentions of their own.

iv) You may want to send a Mass card to the family; these are available from the parish office.

**NOVEMBER DEAD ENVELOPES** During November, please write and place the names of your deceased in these envelopes. The names of your deceased will be placed before the altar at every Mass and those "who have gone ahead of us marked by the sign of faith" will be raised up before the Lord in prayer. Please place the name(s) of your deceased loved ones with any donation in the 'Holy Souls' envelope and hand in to Clergy.

**FEAST OF ALL SAINTS**, a holy day of obligation, on **Tuesday 1st November**. Vigil Mass Monday 31st at 7.00 p.m. Masses on Tuesday 1st November will be at 9.15 a.m. and 1.00 p.m.

**FEAST OF ALL SOULS**, commemoration of all the dead, on **Wednesday 2nd November**. Mass at 9.15 a.m.

**ALL ARE WELCOME** Parishioners and friends are warmly welcome between 1.00 - 3.00 p.m. on **Friday 4th November** in the small parish hall for teas/coffees/biscuits/cake and fellowship. Please do come along and join us; all are welcome!

**A TIME OF RETREAT AND REFLECTION** Bookings have now open for this SILENT RETREAT in Brentwood. The theme is 'My Lord and my God' with a call to a renewed intimacy with Jesus. The guest speaker is Fr Martin Boland. Dates: **Friday 4th-Sunday 6th November**. To book, go to the events' page of the Sion Community website - [www.sioncommunity.org.uk](http://www.sioncommunity.org.uk)

**NEW CTS SUNDAY MISSAL** The new CTS 2023 Sunday Missal will be available for purchase from the parish office at a price of £8.50 each. The Missals run from the First Sunday of Advent 2022 to Christ the King 2023. They can also be purchased online [www.ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal-2023/](http://www.ctsbooks.org/product/sunday-missal-2023/)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**APPLICATIONS.** If you are going to apply for a primary Catholic school with your child starting in September 2023, you must have **registered** as a parishioner (see below).

Please note that:

- a) Fr Martin will know those families who have been practising their faith by coming to Sunday Mass. These families will receive a Certificate of Catholic Practice.
- b) If you have not been practising your faith, please do not approach Fr Martin for a Certificate of Catholic Practice as he will not be able to provide you with this document. Instead, apply directly to the Catholic school of choice.
- c) If you are applying to a non-Catholic school that requires evidence of religious practice and you have been practising your faith, please come to see Fr Martin
- d) If you are applying to a non-Catholic school that requires evidence of religious practice and you have *not* been practising your faith, please do not approach Fr Martin. Instead, apply directly to the non-Catholic school of your choice.
- e) Please note that Fr Martin will not supply additional references or documentation to parents who may go to appeal for a place at a non-Catholic school.

Fr Martin will be available only at the following times in Clergy House to see parents who are **registered as parishioners** and who are practicing their faith by attending Sunday Mass. There is no need to make an appointment:

### PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Wednesday 23rd November~ 4.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

**YOUR OFFERING** If at all possible, please support the parish by setting up a **STANDING ORDER**. If you are a taxpayer, please gift aid your offering. For more information go to

[www.cathedralbrentwood.org/gift-aid-explained/](http://www.cathedralbrentwood.org/gift-aid-explained/)

We do understand that there are some people who cannot do this or who would prefer to make their offering by cash. We will continue to pass round the collection bag for those people as normal. *Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the running and work of the Cathedral parish.*

**READERS AT MASS.** Would you be interested in proclaiming God's word to the community at Sunday Mass? Do you have a clear and expressive reading voice? If so, please contact Fr Martin through the parish office.

**SUNDAY MASSES** in the Cathedral:

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS** at 6.30 p.m. in the Cathedral.

**SUNDAY:** 8.00 a.m. / 9.30 a.m. / 11.30 a.m. & 6.30 p.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES** Monday to Friday at 9.15 a.m.

**DETAILS OF PARISH ANNIVERSARIES AND SICK LIST** can be found on the narthex noticeboard and at [www.cathedralbrentwood.org/news/news-latest.pdf](http://www.cathedralbrentwood.org/news/news-latest.pdf)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** is available on Saturdays in the Cathedral from 10.00 - 11.00 a.m.

**REGISTER AS A CATHEDRAL PARISHIONER** Each adult parishioner should either go to "Parish Census" at [www.cathedralbrentwood.org](http://www.cathedralbrentwood.org) or use the QR code below:

For those of you who cannot complete the registration form online, forms are available in the narthex of the Cathedral. Once the form is completed, please return it to Clergy House.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK** and housebound parishioners and friends, including: Hermine Bayley, Madeleine Bevan, Phil Carr, David, Iris Davis, Patricia Decup, Sheena Docherty, Charlotte Donnelly, Laura Fitzgerald, Fr Stewart Foster, Julian Goode, Angela Harris, David Hill, Tom Holland, Ann Hurcombe, Wong Su Hwa, Jess, Brian Kelleher, Lisa Landy, Lawrence, Susan Maskall, Tony Maule, John McCarthy, Mary McCarthy, Mrs McGuane, Carmel Micallef, Kath Murnane, Harry Newman, Barney O'Driscoll, Joe O'Herlihy, Steven Poole, Anne Rowe, Helena Rowe, Geraldine Sheehan, Robin Shenton, David Spring, Tim, TCT and all our sick.

## GENERAL NEWS

**HELPING THOSE IN UKRAINE**, and Ukrainian Refugees. Caritas Brentwood are regularly updating information on their website, covering donations, prayer, and welcoming those who are fleeing Ukraine. You will find everything at: <https://www.caritasbrentwood.org/ukraine/>

**LUNCHTIME MUSIC RECITAL** in the Cathedral on **Wednesday 19th October** at 1.00 p.m. All welcome; do come along and join us.

**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](http://www.bcys.net/events)

**ST HELEN'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL:** Prospective Reception Parents 2023-24 Tours. There will be meetings and tours of the school for prospective parents (Reception 2023) on **Tuesday 1st November**, 9.30 a.m. and **Thursday 10th November** 9.30 a.m.

Please contact the school office to book a slot: [admin@st-helens-inf.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-helens-inf.essex.sch.uk)

**BRENTWOOD URSULINE SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING - Thursday 3rd November 6.30 - 8.30 p.m.** with Headteacher's talk at 6.30 p.m. For more information call 01227 227156 or email [admin@buchs.co.uk](mailto:admin@buchs.co.uk)

**CATECHIST TRAINING AND RESOURCES DAY - 5th November, 10.00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m.** 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](http://www.bcys.net/events/catechistday2022)

**THE BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY** are seeking stallholders for their Christmas Craft and Gift Fair being held at The Mill Hall Arts & Events Centre, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh SS6 7ED on **Sunday 6th November** from 10.30 - 4.00 p.m. Pitches are £30. For further information please contact Damian: [ddillon@bccs.org.uk](mailto:ddillon@bccs.org.uk) / 07912 308000

**ST HELEN'S CATHOLIC JUNIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS** for Prospective Parents' - **8th and 9th November** - from 9.30 a.m. each morning. These mornings are for the parents of children due to start Year 3 in September 2023. Year 6 pupils will be giving tours of the school.

**VACANCY** St John's RC Special School, Woodford Bridge is recruiting for a Head Cook responsible for the provision of well balanced and healthy meals from scratch catering for a variety of dietary needs whilst at all times ensuring high standards in relation to Health and Safety and Food Safety. Previous experience essential, hours 8.00 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. 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](mailto:office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk)

**VACANCY - Cemetery Director.** The Administrators of the Secular Clergy Common Fund are looking to appoint a Cemetery Director to be responsible for the direct management and strategic oversight of St Mary's Cemetery NW10 5NU and St Patrick's Cemetery E11 4HL. Salary: £45,000 - £50,000 depending on experience. Job Type: Full time, permanent Monday to Friday (35 hours a week). For an informal discussion regarding the role please contact Angela Rowe, Secretary at [secretary@secularclergy.org.uk](mailto:secretary@secularclergy.org.uk) / call 07537 185800.

**LEADERSHIP VACANCIES IN DIOCESAN SCHOOLS** Details of all positions can be found at the following link <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>



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**QR CODES and CONTACTLESS GIVING** A new online donation system has been set up so that parishioners and visitors are now able to donate by using a QR code directly to the Parish; donations can be made either with or without gift aid using the QR codes below or by scanning those displayed around the Cathedral:



Please treat as gift aid donation, all qualifying gifts of money made from the date of this declaration. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that, if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations, it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

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