

ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD PARISH

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Baptisms & Marriages by appointment

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30-6.00pm and by appointment

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9.15am-2.30pm



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

21st October 2018

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God

In today's readings, the themes of discipleship and suffering that we have been pondering in recent weeks are again repeated.

The 'Suffering Servant' text of the **First Reading** (Isaiah 53: 10–11) tells of the prophet Isaiah ministering to the captives in Babylon and proclaiming a message that was not well received. The servant would be rejected and suffer because of it, but through his sufferings would 'justify many'. It foreshadows the fullness of servanthood accepted by Jesus on our behalf. Through his suffering, he takes all our faults onto himself.

In the **Second Reading** (Hebrews 4: 14–16), Jesus the high priest replaces the human priest of the Temple. Jesus is both priest and victim, and though without sin, he is like us in every way. By his death and resurrection he justifies us in the sight of God, and the throne of grace and mercy is opened to all. We can call on him with great confidence whenever we need help, trusting that in his humanity, he knows all that we go through, including our temptations.

The **Gospel** (Mark 10: 35–45) shows two disciples approaching this source of grace and mercy – but for their own personal gain rather than for loving service. It is the latter way that Jesus highlights as the true way, and the path he will walk as high priest.

As in today's **Psalm** (32), we can offer our own prayer of praise for this way, which opens to us the gifts of mercy and grace. Let us continue to call on our loving God this week, confident that he will heed us.

World Mission Day: There will be a second collection **this** weekend for World Mission Day.

Remembrance Book and Envelopes for the Holy Souls: This will be available at the back of the Church for you to write the names of your loved ones. Envelopes will be placed on the altar and prayed over during Masses in November.

Confirmation Candidates should be signing in every weekend. The book will be near the crucifix at the side of the Church. Those who wish to go on the **confirmation retreat** should complete an application form (available by the signing in book) and return to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

Help Needed in the Parish:

Confirmation Catechists: We are in desperate need of catechists to help with confirmation. If you think you can help please contact Mary Redmond on 07926 746401.

Sacristans: We are in need of sacristans to assist Fr Martin with various tasks. If you think you can help, please see Fr Martin or contact the Parish Office.

Musicians needed for some Sunday masses. Please see Fr Martin if you can help.

Composing Bidding Prayers: We need more people willing to learn how to write our Bidding Prayers and to go on the rota. If interested, please call Brian on 07790 321845.

Children's Choir – 9.30am Mass: Children are invited to join the newly formed children's choir at the 9.30am mass. Please come and sit at the front of the Church. You will be most welcome.

Children in Year Five: Will the children in year 5 please see Fr Martin after mass.

Jacky Keane RIP: Jacky sadly passed away on Friday 12th October. Her funeral will be at Corbest Tey Crematorium on 25th October at 11.20am.

The Medaille Trust: On behalf of the Catholic Human Trafficking charity, The Medaille Trust, Claire Jones (Diocesan Representative) would like to express her sincere thanks to all the support, interest and generosity received from the Parishioners of St. Mary's Mother of God. A kind donation of £613.00 was raised – thank you!

Prayer in the Home: The next meeting will take place Tuesday 30th October, 7.30pm-8.30pm at 44 Northdown Road, Hornchurch. The prayer session will be led by Fr Martin and others. If you would like to host an evening please contact the Parish Office. The host invites family, friends, neighbours and indeed all are welcome. The evening consists of the Rosary and other prayers. A statue of Our Lady will be brought to the home to remind us that Our Lady, Mary, is the Mother of the Home. The following meeting will be on 6th November.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Exposition takes place every Thursday afternoon from 2.30pm-5.30pm, the first Friday of the month 9.00am – 7.00pm and each Sunday afternoon during the Hour of Mercy 3.00pm-4.00pm. This encounter with our Risen Lord on Sunday takes place in the Van Meenen Room.

Interested in the Catholic Faith (RCIA) If you wish to know more, please see Fr Martin or Eileen Jonas or enquire at the Parish office.

The Happy School Bag Collection: Please bring any unwanted items of clothing and shoes in black bin bags to the Van Meenan Room on Sunday 25th November - all masses until 12.30 pm. Collection is Monday 26th at 9.00am. Please be mindful not to block the side access door to the church. All items are weighed and the school receives money in exchange.

Remembrance Day Posters for 11/11/2018 – 100 years since the Armistice which ended WW1. If you would like a name added to our parish Remembrance Day Posters, please email fmwrogers@gmail.com, or send a note (addressed Remembrance Day) via the Parish Office or put one in the box in the Church Porch. On the posters we remember our relatives, friends and parishioners (in the armed forces and civilians) who have died in all wars and conflicts (not just the two World Wars) and **we thank God for their bravery and sacrifice**. We would like to know their nameplace and date of death **Please, knit or crochet a poppy** and put it the jar in the porch. The poppies will be displayed in the Church on **Remembrance Sunday**. There are

poppy patterns available. You can attach a small label with the name of someone who died in war if you would like to.

Many thanks to Joe O'Mahoney who has done a wonderful job painting the church doors!

CAFOD Concert: Please join us for a concert of pop and folk songs from the 60s to the 80s on Saturday 10th November from 7.30pm. More info on the poster in the porch.

BCYS Lourdes Pilgrimage: If you are in school year 10 or above, come and join the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service on our Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage. We travel alongside the diocese to assist the elderly and infirm on their annual pilgrimage. Alongside this we also run a retreat, daily Masses and excursions for the young people, as well as experiencing the Lourdes Torchlight Procession and Blessed Sacrament Procession. **Applications will be open from the evening of Sunday 21st October** and will remain open until 31st January 2019. These can be made at www.bcys.net/events. Likely travel dates will be 20th - 27th July 2019.

Foundation Governor Vacancies: Vacancies for Foundation Governors have arisen at a number of Catholic schools across the Diocese. Foundation Governors are personally appointed by the Bishop to Diocesan schools to represent his interests and those of the Catholic community as a whole. Our schools would benefit from people with a range of skills and experiences including Finance, Education, Special Needs, Legal and Administration.

Please contact Sophie Russell for more information sophierussell@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

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 young people in financial need to come to such events, and support Youth Ministry across the Diocese. If you can help, please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or phone Fr Dominic on 01277373959.

CHURCH EVENTS:

Children's Liturgy: Sundays for children at the 9.30am Mass.

Baptism Course: First and second Thursday of the month.

Baptisms: Last Sunday of the month.

Charismatic Prayer Group: Wednesdays at 8.00pm in the Van Meenen Room.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: *Every Thursday 2.30 – 5.30pm & every First Friday from 9.00am – 7.00pm.*

RCIA Journey in Faith: Mondays at 7.30pm in the Van Meenen Room.

Rosary: Wednesdays at 7.00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Weekdays after 8.30am Mass in Our Lady's Chapel. Saturdays after 12 noon Mass in Our Lady's Chapel.

St Vincent de Paul Society: Meets every second and fourth Thursday of the month in the Van Meenen Room. New members always welcome. If you, or anybody you know, would like/need a visit or help from the SVP please contact us through the church office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH at home and in hospital.

WEEKEND 27th / 28th October 2018:

Readers:	Sat.	6.30pm	Warren James / Mary Keen
	Sun	8.00am	Seb Hough / Brian Rodgers
		9.30am	Emma McMillan / Michael Olaniyan
		11.30am	Eddie Allen / Philip Rodgers

Bidding Prayers: Jackie Donald

Church Cleaning: Group 2

Coffee Morning: Team 6

Offerings 14.10.18: Envs: £979.16

Loose: £815.57

Total: £1,794.73

Medialle Trust: £613.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	20 th Oct	12.00pm 6.30pm	Frances Brownsdon RIP / Jane Keating RIP Deceased Members of the Fernandez Family
Sunday	21 st Oct	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am 3.00-4.00pm	All Parishioners Olga & Arturo Casali RIP / Thanksgiving Pat & Joe McDonagh RIP / Nelly Purcell RIP / Peg Knight RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Van Meenen Room)
Monday	22 nd Oct	9.00am	Norah Lenehan RIP / Eileen Stone Int
St John Paul II			
Tuesday	23 rd Oct	9.00am	Special Int / Rita Fleming RIP
Wednesday	24 th Oct	7.30pm	Maud Thompson RIP / John Power RIP
Thursday	25 th Oct	9.00am 2.30-5.00pm	O'Shea Family RIP / Rita Fleming RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	26 th Oct	9.00am	Sam Farrugia RIP / John Power RIP
SS Chad & Cedd			
Saturday	27 th Oct	12.00pm 6.30pm	Charles Ferry RIP / Andrew Grimes RIP Florence & David Armstrong RIP / Maime Tuite RIP
Sunday	28 th Oct	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am 3.00-4.00pm	George & Joaquina de Souza RIP / Jacky Keane RIP All Parishioners Danny McAuley RIP / Sue Willson RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Van Meenen Room)
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time			

Hospital: Are you going into hospital this week for surgery?

Fr Martin will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick after all Sunday Masses.

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