

# 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 8.15am-4.00pm



**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Year B**

**28<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

O that today you would listen to his voice!

The dark days of winter may have encouraged us to grumble and complain unduly as the People of God did at Massah and Meribah in the desert. However, if we open our hearts and listen to his voice [**Psalm 94**] we will see in Jesus, who teaches with authority in the synagogue at Capernaum, the new true prophet which Moses announced to the people. God has put his words into his mouth and his teaching is new. Even unclean spirits obey him. [**First Reading** Deuteronomy 18:15-20 and **Gospel** Mark 1: 21-28]

Believing that the end of the world as we know it is at hand, Paul is keen to ensure that we do not worry but do all we can, whatever our marital status, to lead our lives in a way which will give our undivided attention to the Lord. [**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 7: 32-35]

This week then I may want to focus especially on honouring the Lord with my heart and mind in all I do, allowing him to speak through me to those who want to listen to his voice.

**The Collect:** Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honour you with all our mind, and love everyone in truth of heart.

**Racial Justice Sunday:** There will be a second collection **this weekend** for Racial Justice Sunday.  
**CONFIRMATION GROUP – CHANGE OF PLAN:** In place of the meeting originally scheduled for Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, our Confermandi will now be attending the **SiLent evening** at **Brentwood Cathedral** on that date. A coach will be leaving St. Mary's at 6.00pm and returning at 9.15pm. The SiLent evening will begin with Barry and Margaret Mizen speaking at 6.30pm, followed by the BCYS monthly Youth Mass at 8.00pm. Come and hear a story of amazing forgiveness and hope. Come and be introduced to SiLent. Come and enjoy the company of young people from across the Diocese. Pizza and drinks provided. If you want to know more about SiLent please visit [www.millionminutes.org/brentwood](http://www.millionminutes.org/brentwood)

**Can you help?** We are looking to build a team of parishioners who are willing to work on a flexible rota basis in helping Fr Martin by carrying out some of the essential but unseen tasks that we all take for granted. These range from putting out new candles and clearing away the old used ones, through to preparing vestments generally and ensuring the altar and sacristy is left tidy after Mass. If you are able to give **any** help, please contact Jack How 0774 0778 723 ([john.how@ntlworld.com](mailto:john.how@ntlworld.com)) for more information. Many hands...

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on First Friday** Come and spend time with the Lord during the day on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February from 9.00am until 7.00pm. Please put your name on the list in the porch to ensure there is someone watching at all times.

**Church Cleaning:** The new rotas are now available at the back of the Church.

**Interested in the Catholic Faith (RCIA)** Why not come and see? We meet on ***Mondays at 7.30pm until 9pm*** in the Van Meenen Room (room jutting out from church in the car park). Contact Fr Martin or Eileen Jonas or enquire at the Parish office. You are most welcome. Bring a friend!

**Pass It On!** Every first Saturday, 2-4pm in the parish hall. This is a free social event for older generations to pass on stories, skills and advice to younger generations. All welcome! If you require help with transportation or for more info call Joanne on 01708 747026.

**Vocations App:** The National Office for Vocations has produced a new App for Catholics between 16 and 35 who are discerning their vocation. <http://www.ukvocation.org/?p=2535> has information on how to access the App. Even if this is not for you please share this with someone you think it might be relevant for.

**United Youth Singers:** Aged between 7-16 and love to sing? Please join the United Youth Singers for their next rehearsal on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January 3.30pm-5.00pm at Hornchurch Methodist Church. For further information please go to [www.unitedsingers.co.uk/youth-choir](http://www.unitedsingers.co.uk/youth-choir).

**Concert for Bosco:** Come and enjoy an evening of classical music, to raise money for the SVP children's camp. **Saturday 3rd February 2018** - New Windmill Hall, Upminster. **7:30 to 9:30 pm**. Wine and refreshments included. Advance tickets £8; on the door £11. Bookings by phone: [07957382592](tel:07957382592). Online bookings/details: [www.concertforbosco.com](http://www.concertforbosco.com).

**Mass for the Sick:** Our Lady of Lourdes is both the patroness of our diocese and the sick. At 3.00pm on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February, Bishop Alan will celebrate Mass in her honour at Brentwood Cathedral. This is a diocesan celebration; all are invited. During the Mass, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be given to those who are unwell. This Mass is also an opportunity for those who attended the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2017 to give thanks for graces received.

**The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society Annual Charity Ball** is their largest and most glamorous event of the year and takes place this year at **The Rayleigh Club, Hullbridge** on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March**. Tickets are on sale now, costing £55 per person, which will include a drinks reception and three course dinner along with a full evening of entertainment. Guests will be seated on tables of 12, making it the perfect opportunity to get together with friends, family or colleagues, have a fantastic night out whilst at the same time raising vital funds for bccs. As tickets for this event sell out quickly, please contact Julie ASAP to avoid disappointment: 01268 784544 / 07912277413 / [jabbott@bccs.org.uk](mailto:jabbott@bccs.org.uk)

**Mass for Deceased Altar Servers at St Vincent de Paul Church, Becontree:** On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 11am (please arrive by 10.30am. Vesting and entrance procession will be from St Vincent's Catholic Primary School, Burnside Rd, Dagenham, Essex RM8 2JN). Please bring your own alb / cassocks and cottas. Light lunch and refreshments will be provided after Mass. Great

opportunity to meet your fellow Altars Servers in the Diocese. Everyone is welcome. Please let them know if you wish to attend on 020 8590 7222.

**St. Helen's Catholic Primary School, 110 Years:** St Helen's Catholic Primary School in Canning Town, Newham is appealing to all past pupils or their relatives. They are seeking copies of old school photographs, reports and records as part of the preparations for their 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The school is particularly looking for photographs and information from 1907-1941 as original documents were destroyed in the blitz. Please contact 020 7476 1785 or email: [info@st-helens.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@st-helens.newham.sch.uk).

**Community Coffee Morning** at Romford Care Centre, 107 Neave Crescent, RM3 8HW. Please join us for coffee morning open to all every Thursday morning 10am-12noon. We specialise in dementia and nursing care. It is very social and we welcome all from the community. Contact Fiona 01708 379022.

**Iona Social Club** family atmosphere, close to Church. Club is available to members and non-members for non-exclusive functions during the weekday, for weddings, funerals and parties, alongside our existing programme. Phone the Iona on 01708 442453 for bookings, membership and general enquiries.

**Walsingham House at Abbotswick: Hospitality, Retreats and Facilities Co-ordinator.** Living on site, the person in this full time role will enable the smooth running of Walsingham House at Abbotswick, ensuring a welcoming, safe and Christ-centred environment for all retreatants and visitors. The role includes the leadership of some youth retreats, as well as excellent teamworking with staff and volunteers. 2 year fixed contract, starting late August. £18,000pa + accommodation. For full details visit [www.bcys.net/vacancy-abbotswick/](http://www.bcys.net/vacancy-abbotswick/)

#### **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 Mary's Prayer Hotline:** Call Betty (daytime) on 01708 720834 with any prayer requests.

**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, especially Roseleen Ammerman, Margaret Baan, Ashley Baptist, Phil Clerkin, Joyce Cougill, Patricia Crudgington, Sharon De Giorgio, Joan Dowding, Leo Duffy, William Fernandez, Alan Fisher, Bernadette Haddle, Kevin Hartie, Baby Nathan Howe, Evelyn Hughes, Mary Hughes, Anne Humphrays, Yvonne Ingham, Sajy Joseph, Cathy Lennon, Bill Lodge, Paul Lodge, Betty Long, Mary McCarthy, Dinah McMahan, Patrick Medlin, Joseph Mifsud, Patricia Mills, Richard Mole, Sheila Murphy, Maureen O'Neill, Kathleen Payne, Molly Peters, Anthony Picton, Jill Ridley, Paul David Ridley, Oliver Roome, Maura Shanney, Jane Stevenson, Anne Sullivan, Edna Sullivan, John Sullivan, Alex Taylor, Pat Taylor, Marie Tweedie, Maria Wallace, Mary Wallace, Josie Walsh, David Wells, Maureen Williams and for all our family and friends who are ill. **Please inform us if there is someone seriously ill and let us know if anyone on the list is no longer ill so we can remove their name from our list.**

## WEEKEND 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> February 2018:

### Readers:

Sat. 6.30pm  
Sun 8.00am  
9.30am  
11.30am

Mary Keen / Sharon Flevin  
Susan Squire / Nicola Stacey  
Alan Sabu Mathew / Albert Sabu Mathew  
Maria Adesezha / Maureen Boorman

**Bidding Prayers:** Susan Squire

**Coffee Morning Rota:** Group 1

**Offerings 21.01.18:** Envs: £1,133.55

**World Peace Day:** £159.42

**Church Cleaning:** Group 3

Loose: £901.30

Total: £2,034.85

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>12.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	Hubert Ward RIP Joseph Morton RIP / Joan Dowding Int
Sunday	28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>8.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b> <b>11.30am</b>	Hughie McGuirk Doug Wilson Mervin O'Grady RIP / Eamon Commings RIP
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Monday	29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>8.30am</b>	Norah Lenehan RIP / Mary & Emma Lowe
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>8.30am</b>	Simon Smith RIP
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	<b>7.30pm</b>	Bart Sullivan Int
St. John Bosco			
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	<b>8.30am</b> <b>2.30pm</b>	Deceased of the Davin Family <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	<b>8.30am</b> <b>9.00am-7.00pm</b>	Deceased of the Lenehan Family <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
The Presentation of the Lord			
Saturday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	<b>12.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	Hubert Ward RIP David & Florence Armstrong
St. Anne Line			
Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>8.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b> <b>11.30am</b>	Curtin Family / Jisma Joseph RIP Connie Fairbairn RIP Sam Farrugia RIP / Eamon Commings RIP
Fifth 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.***