

# ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD PARISH

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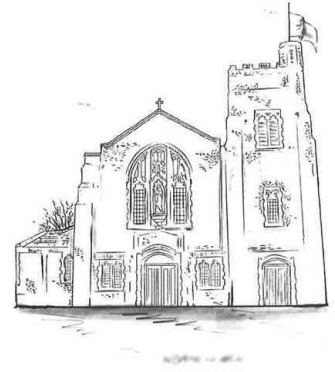
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Baptisms & Marriages by appointment

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30-6.00pm and by appointment



## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2017

**You are the glory of our strength**

This Sunday's readings reveal the demands and choices Jesus's disciples have to make as they share in his new life and carry on his mission.

The **Gospel** (Matt 10:37–42) continues Jesus's teaching on the mission of his disciples. Here we see the cost – but also the generous rewards. In addition, those who welcome the missionary also welcome Jesus himself.

The story in the **First Reading** (2 Kings 4:8–11) illustrates this teaching. God rewards the childless couple who welcome the prophet Elisha into their home with the gift of a child.

**Psalm 88 (89)** expresses the joy of the disciple whose faith is not in rules, but in the loving presence of their Lord and leader, and who walks in his light.

St Paul in his letter to the Romans (**Second Reading** - Rom 6:3–4, 8–11) reminds us that through our baptism we now live a 'new life' in the Risen Christ. It is through their life in Christ Jesus that disciples can live the demands of mission.

This week, perhaps I might pray for the grace to follow Christ more closely and welcome him in others.

### Opening Prayer

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth.

**Second Collection This Week** for Peter's Pence.

**Second Collection Next Week** for Apostleship of the Sea.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on First Friday** Come and spend time with the Lord during the day on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 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.

**Year Five Children** Will children and parent/s of those in Year *Five* at school say 'hello' to Fr Martin as you leave church and tell Fr Martin your name.

**Please pray for** Tim O'Shea and George Engerer, who died recently. Funeral details outside the church. May they rest in peace.

**Holy Communion Programme 2016** Thank you for all your kind words and lovely gifts including stickers (I love them!). It's a real joy to have been part of the children's journey to make their Holy Communion. I wish you a very happy summer. Jane.

**Holy Communion Programme 2017/18 URGENT APPEAL** – Please would you consider becoming a Catechist for the Holy Communion programme. It is founded on the generous work of our Catechists and if we do not have enough it will not be able to continue in its present format. Please contact Jane through the church office.

**Parish Meeting** There is a meeting open to all parishioners to discuss the future direction of our parish. All are welcome. Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 8pm in the presbytery.

**Catholic Practice** The Diocese has made it clear, based on Canon Law of the Church, that for the purposes of the Certificate of Catholic Practice, Mass attendance on every single Sunday is a requirement and 'it is clear that fortnightly or monthly attendance does not constitute the practice required by the Canons'.

**St Mary's Youth Club** will close for the summer on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

**St Mary's Summer Fayre** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July from 1.00 – 4.00pm. Please could you start donating now food and drink, gifts and toys. Please leave donations in the church porch or in the trolley in the school playground or bring your donations to the School office. Bottles of alcohol can go directly to the Presbytery office. If you can help run a stall on the day please leave your contact details with the School Office/Parish Office.

**St Mary's Healing Service** Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00pm. Exposition, Confessions and Anointing. Mass at 7.30pm.

**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.

**St Mary's Baby and Toddler group - Teddy Bears Picnic** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2-3.10pm. This will be on the field if weather permits, otherwise in the Parish Hall. £2.50 per family group. Bring your own bear and blanket, sweets and drinks provided. Any queries contact Joanne on 01708 747026.

**Afternoon Tea for Parish Elders** on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July between 2.00 – 6.00pm in the Parish Hall. If you would like to come, or know someone who would like to come, please contact Brenda on 01708 452442 or 07958 605039 to book a place.

Volunteers still needed to help.

**Service of Healing Prayer** at St. Joseph's Church, Upminster on Tuesday 4th July at 8.00pm. For details contact Richard & Frances Healy 01708 250717.

**Memorial Mass for Mgr George Stokes RIP** on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July in Brentwood Cathedral at 11.30am. All are welcome.

**30th Anniversary Celebration Abbotswick Diocesan House of Prayer** 11.30am - 4.30pm on 8th July. A Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated at 2.00pm by Bishop Alan Williams and Bishop Emeritus Thomas McMahon. You are invited to bring a packed lunch. Cake and refreshments will be provided. For further information please call 01277 373959 or visit our website [www.abbotswick.org](http://www.abbotswick.org).

**Meeting the Living God Seminar Series** Seminar 6: Saturday 15th July. 'Contemplative Prayer—is it for me?' Bishop Alan Williams. 10.30am - 12.00pm at Conference Hall, Cathedral House, Brentwood CM15 8AT. For further information please contact [jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org). Tel: 01277 265285.

**Jessica Smith from St Joseph's Parish, Upminster**, has been selected for the Great Britain athletics squad to take part in the International Catholic Student Games near Venice in July; this will be 15-year-old Jessica's first International Games. Please keep Jessica, the GB team and all of the children competing in your prayers.

**Iona Social Club** Members 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.

**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:** Tuesdays at 8.00 – 9.30pm 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, Alan Fisher, Kevin Hartie, Jean Horan, Baby Nathan Howe, Evelyn Hughes, Mary Hughes, Yvonne Ingham, Sajy Joseph, Cathy Lennon, Bill Lodge, Betty Long, Mary McCarthy, Dinah McMahon, 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, Bridget Stapleton, Jane Stevenson, Anne Sullivan, John Sullivan, Alex Taylor, Pat Taylor, Mamie Tuite, 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 8<sup>TH</sup>/9<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017:

**Readers:** Sat. 6.30pm Mary Keen/Sharon Flevin  
Sun. 8.00am Joshua Duah/Seb Hough  
9.30am Emma McMillan/Ella Donald  
11.30am Donna Coy/Ray John

**Bidding Prayers:** John Dawson **Coffee Morning Rota:** Group 8  
**Church Cleaning:** Group 4

**Offerings 25.06.17:** Envs: £1,138.47 Loose: £911.49 Total: £2,049.96

### MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup> July	6.30pm	John Manning RIP Mathew Ward RIP Anniv
Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> July	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Edwin McMillan RIP/Joyce Timmins RIP Cecilia Flynn RIP/Helen Thomson Int - Sick All Parishioners/Sam Farrugia RIP
Monday St Thomas	3 <sup>rd</sup> July	8.30am	Jim Shanahan RIP/Russell Hicklin RIP
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup> July	8.30am <b>10.30am</b>	<b>NO MASS</b> <b>Funeral – Tim O’Shea RIP</b>
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> July	7.30pm	Pat Farrell RIP Anniv/Anne Somerville RIP
Thursday Maria Goretti	6 <sup>th</sup> July	8.30am <b>2.30–5.30pm</b>	John Shottle RIP/Mr Chubb RIP <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup> July	8.30am	Sarsfield Family Int/Betty Compton Int
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup> July	12.00 noon 6.30pm	<b>NO MASS</b> Richard Webb RIP Breffni O’Brien RIP Anniv & Bill Baird RIP
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup> July	8.00am 9.30am 11.30am	Jisma Joseph RIP/Thelma McDonagh RIP All Parishioners Josephine Camilleri RIP Michael Lee RIP Bday

***Hospital Are you going into hospital this week for surgery?  
Fr Martin will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick  
after all Sunday Masses.***