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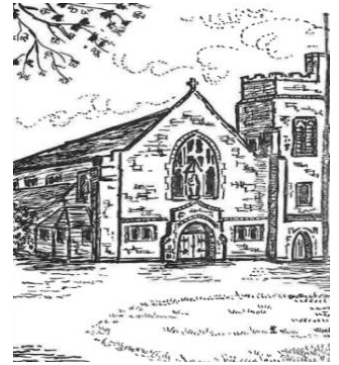
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CORPUS CHRISTI

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Corpus Christi Year B readings begin with Moses and the people of Israel. Moses shares God's laws, which are serious promises between God and His people. The sprinkling of blood shows a deep commitment. This reminds us that following God requires a real promise from our hearts.

These readings call us to remember, much like the Israelites did with Passover. But for us, the Eucharist does more than just bring up past events; it makes these events real and present today. Jesus is truly with us in the Eucharist, in the consecrated bread and wine, not just as a memory but as a living presence. This is a powerful act of God's love, bringing the past and present together.

When the Israelites committed to God, they said, "All that the Lord has said, we will heed and do." This shows us that remembering isn't just about thinking back; it's about living out our promises. Just as Jesus offered Himself fully to the Father, we are called to offer ourselves to God's kingdom. This means our actions should reflect our faith. Participating in the Eucharist isn't passive—it's an active commitment to live according to God's will.

CONGRATULATIONS to Courtney & Novella, and Arnas & Indre, who were married at St Mary's last weekend. We wish both couples a life-time of happiness together. May the Lord bless them always.

SECOND COLLECTION *This weekend* there is a second collection for Sick Clergy. All donations will be gratefully received.

SUMMARY OF POPE FRANCIS' WED. AUDIENCE ON APOSTOLIC ZEAL (30)

Dear brothers and sisters: Today's catechesis concludes our series of reflections on apostolic zeal and our baptismal mission to be joyful witnesses to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In the rite of Baptism, our lips were blessed as a sign that, reborn in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we are sent forth to share with others the Good News of our redemption and our newfound dignity as adopted sons and daughters of the Father. May the love of God, poured into our hearts by the gift of the Spirit, inspire within us ever greater zeal for the Church's mission of proclaiming the Gospel, drawing all hearts to Christ and working for the spread of his Kingdom of holiness, justice and peace.

THE GENERAL ELECTION. This week the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have launched a set of informative resources to help us think about our election choices. It covers pro-Life issues as well as the criminal justice system, education, poverty, the environment, refugees and migrants. The Bishops remind us: *"We are not merely the passive recipients of politics but active citizens. An election is the best time for us as Christians to speak out, to get involved, and to lead."* The resources include suggested questions for candidates, links if you want to go deeper, and actions we can take to make a difference. You will find everything at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

THE ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP is now open for bookings! Children age 9 – 12 can enjoy an amazing week, packed with fun activities, including many sports, from 27th July – 3rd August. The Camp is a special work of Caritas Diocese of Brentwood and this year there is space for just 100 children – book early! All details are www.boscocamp.co.uk, including booking information and an FAQ section for parents.

ENQUIRERS EVENING The next "Enquirers' Evening" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is on Tuesday 4 June at Brentwood Cathedral. The speaker will be Fr Dan Mason. For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires: vocprom@brcdt.org

PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Our Christmas bazaar will take place on Saturday 7th December in the Parish Hall. We are looking for donations of bottles of drink (alcoholic and non-alcoholic), new and unused gifts, toys and books. All donations can be left in the sacristy or given in to the Parish Office. Helpers are needed, so please contact the Parish Office.

FIRST COMMUNION: We have beautiful gifts and cards on display: pop into the Repository and have a look! But if you don't see what you want you can browse through our catalogue, and we can order it for you!

CHURCH CLEANING: Church cleaning takes place on Friday mornings from 10am and we are always looking for more helpers.

Our Lady will be with you as you help to keep clean the house of her Son.

YOUTH MASS, THURSDAY 6TH JUNE 2024, BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL

This may be a busy and stressful time for many of you, particularly those taking exams. The Cathedral and Parish Hall will be open for you to socialise, pray and celebrate Mass with us, or pop in for a break from revision, change of scenery or quiet personal prayer. Pizza from 6pm in the Parish Hall, Mass at 7:30pm in the Cathedral.

BATTLE OF THE ORGANS IN BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL: On Saturday June 29th at 8pm, a one-off event will take place in Brentwood Cathedral...a Battle of the Organs. The mighty Cathedral instrument, originally built by Hunter, and rebuilt in 1990 by Daniel of Clevedon, will go head-to-head with a new Allen GX350. Allen Organs UK are very kindly lending us the instrument not only for the Battle, but also for the following morning to allow the Cathedral Choir to sing one of the great French double organ Masses at the 11.30am Mass. In charge of these instruments on the night will be Donald MacKenzie (Organist of the Odeon, Leicester Square) and James Davy (formerly Master of Music of Chelmsford Cathedral and currently Organist at the Royal Hospital School, Holbrook). We can promise you highly entertaining evening as these two amazing organists put these organs through their paces, and 'pull out all the stops' to give us a concert to remember. Tickets are £15 and £7.50 for under 16s, and are available from Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/83220321803> Further details available from Richard Nott at organisttraining@brcdt.org

REVIVE. DISCOVER. EMPOWER. Retreat for Young Adults, 22nd – 23rd June at Walsingham House at Abbotswick. This young adult retreat is an opportunity for spiritual growth and reflection, to revive, discover and empower you in your faith. This retreat is aimed at those aged 18+, having left school, to roughly 30. Go to www.bcys.net/events

MARANATHA The next Maranatha event of Mass celebrated by Fr. Paschal Uche, followed by Prayer and Praise, will be held at Sion Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, CM15 9BX on Thursday, 20th June at 7pm. All welcome.

ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, Goresbrook Road, Dagenham are seeking to appoint a KS2 Class Teacher from 1 September 2024. Closing date 10 am. 11th June 2024. Please call the school office for more information tel.0208 270 6524, email:- office@st-peter.bardagelea.org.uk. School visits welcome.

IONA FAMILY SOCIAL CLUB: The Iona family social club are open for new members. Lots of social events and all major sports events are shown. All are welcome.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH at home and in hospital, especially: Ashley Baptist, Angelina Bush, Ruth Carroll, Martin Cornish, John Dawson, David Donovan, Anna Gawlik, Hannah Haughey, Malcolm Hilton, Evelyn Hughes, James Goldfinch, Sajy Joseph, Bill Lodge, Paul Lodge, Margaret Lodge, Lyndsey McCauley, Carly Menon, Gina Mifsud, Bridget O'Sullivan, Claire Ramm (Shanahan), Phil & Tony Reid, Paul and Jill Ridley, Anne Sullivan, Josie Walsh, Evelyn Ward, Michael Reilly and family and friends who are ill.

FINANCES: You can make a payment into our bank account, either as a one off, by a regular Standing Order or by scanning the below QR codes. The details are as follows:

Account Name: St. Mary Mother of God

Account Number: 51019058

Sort Code: 40-13-22



To donate £5



To donate £10



To donate £20

SERVICES/ MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday St Justin Vigil Mass	1 st June	6.30pm	Paul & Martin Bray Int
Sunday The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	2 nd June	8.00am	Jisma Joseph RIP
		9.30am	All Parishioners
		11.30am	Sam & Connie Farrugia RIP
		5.00pm	Holy Hour with Rosary and Benediction
Monday St Charles Lwanga & Comps	3 rd June	9.15am	Norah, Mary & Paddy Lenehan RIP
Tuesday	4 th June	9.15am	Rita & Terry Thompson Int
Wednesday St Boniface	5 th June	7.15pm	<i>Evening prayer</i>
		7.30pm	Teresa Carson Int
Thursday	6 th June	9.15am	Mary Magdelene Adaeke Rafua RIP
		9.45am-12 noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	7 th June	9.15am	Selby Tweedie RIP
		7.00pm	Josephine Brown RIP
Saturday The Immaculate Heart of Mary Vigil Mass	8 th June	9.15am	Rita Olaniyan Int
		9.45-11.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
		10.30-11.15am	Confessions
		5.30-6pm	Confessions
		6.30pm	Anthony, Josephine, Paula Camilleri & Alfred Farrugia RIP
Sunday Tenth Sunday in ordinary time	9 th June	8.00am	Mary & Danny McCarthy RIP
		9.30am	All Parishioners
		11.30am	Bridget & John Reilly & Grandchildren and Michael Hughes & Children RIP

Hospital: If you are going into hospital this week for surgery Fr Mark will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick after all Sunday Masses. If a loved one is in hospital and would like pastoral care, please let Fr Mark know or contact Helen Miranda on 01708477890

Morning Prayer will be said before all weekday morning Masses at 9am as well as the Rosary after Mass.

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NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL:

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