

Sunday Bulletin

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My dear people,

A young boy watched his sister cut an inch off the dinner ham. "Why do you cut an inch off the ham before you put it in the oven?" he asked. His sister replied. "That's how Dad always does it. It makes the ham taste better." The next day, the two asked their father why he cut an inch off the ham. "That's how your grandmother always does it. It makes the ham juicier," he told them. The next day, the three of them called up Grandma and asked, "Why do you cut an inch off the ham? Is it to make it taste better?" "Oh no dears," she laughed. "It's because I never have a pan big enough to fit the ham."

How we approach our Liturgy can be a bit like this. We continue to carry out a certain practice because we have always done it that way! However, do you ever stop to ask why they happen that way and if that is the way they should happen. These summer Ordinary Time days are a good time to start asking "why?"

Everything in the Latin Mass is done for a reason - to bring us closer to Christ. The Ordinary Form sadly was produced by men who wanted to make the Mass Protestant, and Protestants do not believe Jesus is present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Wishing you every blessing,

Fr Gerry

Live Streaming in the Parish

Sunday 26th July	9am - Mass 10am – Morning Prayer 10.30am - Mass
Monday 27th July	Fr Gerry’s Day Off
Tuesday 28th July	7pm – Evening Prayer 7.30pm – Mass 8.15pm – Bible Study via Zoom
Wednesday 29th July	9am – Morning Prayer 9.30am – Mass 1.30pm – Rosary 6pm – Evening Prayer
Thursday 30th July	9am - Morning Prayer 9.30am – Mass 1.30pm – Rosary 6pm – Evening Prayer
Friday 31st July	9am – Morning Prayer 9.30am – Mass 1.30pm – Rosary 6pm – Evening Prayer



Streaming can be found at [St Teresa’s Catholic Church](#)



• Every Tuesday night with Fr Gerry. We hope you can join us on Zoom at 8.15 – please look out for the invitation to join this meeting on our FB page.

Readings this Sunday

First Reading – Book of Kings 3:5, 7-12

Psalm 85 Response – ‘**Lord, how I love your law!**’

Second Reading: Saint Paul to the Romans 8:28-30

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia**

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

Mass Times

Sun	26	9.00am	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Pro Populo	
		10.30am		For all those suffering and in thanks for all our blessings	BS
Mon	27	No Mass Today			
Tues	28	7.30pm	SS Nazarius & Celsus MM & Victor I P M & Innocent I P C		
Wed	29	9.30am	S Martha V		
Thur	30	9.30am			
Fri	31	9.30am	S Ignatius C		
Sun	2	9am	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sun		10.30am		Pro Populo	

Please note that we have used the Liturgical Calendar from the Latin Mass Ordo for weekday Masses

Quote from the Legion of Mary: *If one dream should fall and break into a thousand pieces... never be afraid to pick one of those pieces up and begin again. That's the beauty of being alive... We can always start all over again. Enjoy God's amazing opportunities bestowed on us. Have faith in Him always. - St. Bernadette*

Notices



Sacrament of Baptism - This Sunday we welcome **Michael Whiston** into the family of God as he receives the Sacrament of Baptism. Congratulations and welcome!



Please remember in your prayers Ian Chandler whose mother Dorothy died on Wednesday. May our Lord comfort you all at this sad time.

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.
May she rest in peace. Amen.*

Do you require a face mask?



Ana-Maria Colvill has been making masks since this pandemic started and has helped protect many people as they carried on their day to day lives. Ana-Maria has offered to continue making them. All she asks in return is a minimum donation of £3 per mask – all donations will be going to our parish. **Thank you so much Ana-Maria.**

St Bernard's Virtual Open Evening



Due to the recommendations of the DFE we are not holding an Open Evening for Year 5 students who wish to make an application for September 2021 intake. To view our tour of the school, parents should log on to www.stbernardswestcliff.org.uk and then go to Admissions and Virtual Open Evening. If they wish to apply to us, they must complete our Supplementary Information Form and send it to the school with supporting documentations, as per the admissions policy, before the 31st October 2020. Documents are available under Admissions, Key 3 & 4 on our website along with our Admission Policy 2021-2022 and 2021 Supplement Information Form. If any parent has any queries on admissions they can email or telephone our Admissions Officer at cls@stbernards.southend.sch.uk or 01702 608004.

2020 Virtual Fun Walk – Would you like to raise funds for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

For the last few years, we have been pleased to join in with thousands of walkers taking part in **The Fun Walk** at Farm, Billericay on the first Sunday in September. This year, organisers have decided to change things slightly and we hope that this will mean that more families and groups all over Essex and East London will be able to take part, walk 2k or 5k and raise some much-needed funds to support our work:

If you would like to join in, please download our [Sponsorship Form which is available here](#), get as many sponsors as you can and encourage family and friends to join in too. In order to simplify the collection of your sponsorship money, you Barleylands could ask your sponsors to make their donation directly onto our [Virtual Fun Walk Fundraising Page here](#). Please ask them to mention your name in the comments section when making their donation. Otherwise, you could collect your donations in the traditional way and send us a cheque & a copy of your Sponsorship form to:

'bccs', Childcare House, Little Wheatley Chase, Rayleigh, SS6 9EH

Remember you can walk 2k or 5k - meaning that this is a great family event - anywhere and at any time during September.

For further information or to let us know you will be walking with 'Team bccs' [please contact us](#) - we would love to have you with us on the Virtual Fun Walk during September.

NEW DAWN IN THE CHURCH: Walsingham Virtual Conference ~ 31st July - 2nd August. A fantastic line up of speakers and inputs from various ministries and organisations. To watch the conference please go to our website www.newdawn.org.uk The virtual conference is FREE! However, if you wish to donate, this will greatly help towards our costs. Any questions contact Tracey: 07975964726. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to Renew your Catholic Faith!

Lourdes in your Living Room begins TOMORROW, Monday 27th July – a full week of pilgrimage for all ages; Bishop Alan will preach at the 10.30am Mass on Monday and each day includes Morning Prayer, Mass, Rosary and Angelus, Afternoon Reflection, and Evening Prayer, with the week also including a Marian (“Torchlight”) procession where the Hail Mary will be prayed in over 40 languages, as well as Stations of the Cross. A talent show offers a social element to the pilgrimage on Friday evening, and throughout the week there is a special programme for young people. Everything is on the YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/brentwoodcys and full details, plus liturgy handbook, are at www.bcys.net/lourdes2020

Summer Darty News



It has been sad not having a summer party this year. Sad because it is a special time for our parish family to celebrate together. However, we did not give up and in true parish style we have worked together to **BE** together.

Thank you all so much for supporting our efforts today.

Thank you to our super bakers [Geraldine](#), [Heidi](#), [Emma](#), [Natasha](#), [Elaine](#) and [Connie](#) ❤️❤️. Special thanks to Natasha for coordinating the cake sale.

Thank you [Teresa](#) and your amazing pre-school.

Thank you [Josiah](#) for holding a stall.

Thank you to everyone who bought a lucky square.

Together we raised £800 for our lovely parish.

God bless you all ❤️

Lucky Squares – only 16 left!

The grid will consist of 100 squares and each square will cost £10. Once all 100 squares are sold, we will make the draw. **The winner will walk away with £200.00.** If you would like to purchase a square, please drop a sealed envelope with your money and your name into the presbytery marked for my attention. Thank you, Christine

Parish Finances

During the month of June our offertory donations were down by 80%. Despite this worrying drop the government offer no help to churches. Our running costs did not reduce during this time, so this is a real worry for us. Could we please ask you all to remember to make your weekly offering.

If you are still shielding it is quite simple to do online – payments can be made via <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations?parish=brentwood>

Please click on the link above remembering to specify either Hockley or Rochford.

If you are attending Mass in person, please could we ask you to place your offering in the basket either on the way in or on your way out.

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH, IT REALLY NEEDS
YOU**

Weekly Prayers



Pray for one another, that we may each hear the voice of Jesus speaking clearly to us, and that we may have hearts open to share his love, and courage to share the Gospel.

Sunday: The Sick: Martin Chandler, Lee Davis & Sian, Karen Landy, Joe Mullany, Mark, Renate Butler, Angela Read, Jonathan Somerville & Norma Goater. The people of the Middle East and

especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

Monday: The Sick: Stephen Kennedy, Ron & Christine Holloway, Trevor Ridgwell, Marguerite Jakes, Louise Knight, Cory Lees, Anthony George, and Mary Smith. Those who live in Adams Glade, Larkfield Close, Cornwell Gardens and Scots Hall Road.

Tuesday: The Sick: Anne, Baby Theo, Samuel, Nellie Smith, Mary Reilly, Edward Cunado, Chris Godfrey & Andrew Stevens. For the people of Emmanuel Church and & St Mary's Church and their minister Rev Canon Nick.

Wednesday: The Sick: Fr Jean Laurent Marie, Fr Kieron Dodd, Fr Liam Hayes, Fr Tom Jordan, Geraldine Stevens., Eve Stocks, Jim Beck, Sarah Knight, Kevin Cosset, Ethan Alum, William McArthur, John Hennessy, Margaret Hennessy & Marjorie Jay. For the Queen and her Ministers, that they may govern us wisely. For our own parish priest Fr Gerry.

Thursday: The Sick: Maureen Lumholst-Smith, Kenneth Jobson, Venus Rubertazzi, Ellen Franklin, Jackie Gravestock, John Vasey, Sheila Van de Vyver and Len Smith. The Farming Community.

Friday: The recently departed: Dorothy Chandler, Steve Owen & Elaine Liddon. Those whose anniversaries fall this week: Ann Shrimplin, Dorothy Chee, Vera McIntyre, Patrick Reilly, Alice Weatherley, Thomas Toomey, Joseph Farell, Rodulfo Quinones, Bridie Dower, Margaret Micek and Hilary Morgan. Those who have none to pray for them.

Saturday: The Sick: Bartly Igoe, Pdraig Evers, John Rice, Margaret Thomas, Oliver Kelly & terry Lewis. Our Student priests: Patrick, Michael, Adrian, Paschal and Damian

Keep praying together

Please be assured of my prayers always.

Wishing you every blessing,

Fr Gerry