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Thirty - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

On this 33rd Sunday in Ordinary time, let us meditate on the parable of the talents which deals with two very important themes and is very current: (i) The gifts which each person receives from God and the way in which he receives them. Each person has qualities and talents with which he can and should serve others. Nobody is just a pupil, nobody is just a professor. We learn from one another. (ii) The attitude with which persons place themselves before God who has given us His gifts . During the reading, you should try to be attentive to these two points: what is the attitude of the three servants regarding the gifts received, and what image of God does this parable reveals to us?

Read Matthew 25: 14-30

Now let yourself have a moment of prayerful silence so that the Word of God may penetrate and enlighten your life.

Here are some questions to help you in your personal reflection.

a) What is the meaning of this text. What has struck you most deeply?

b) In the parable, the three servants receive according to their capacity. What is the attitude of each

servant concerning the gift he has received?

c) What is the reaction of the master? What does he demand from his servants?

d) How should the following phrase be understood: "To everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have more than enough; but anyone who has not will be deprived even of what he has"?

e) What image of God does the parable reveal to us?

You all remain very much in my prayers and I ask if you too, will remember me in yours.

Wishing you every blessing,

Fr Gerry

Lockdown Information

Due to the new lockdown rules we are no longer able to participate together in the public worship of Mass. However do not stop visiting your church as we remain open for prayer. This is where you will find the most comfort at this time of uncertainty.

St Teresa's Church will be open for prayer at the following times:

Monday: 10.15am - 11.15am

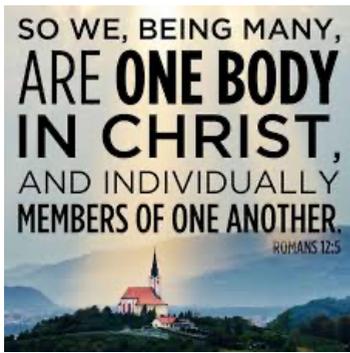
Wednesday: 10.30am - 11.30am

Thursday: 10am - 11am

Friday: 8.30am - 9.30am

We will also continue to live stream Mass, Morning and Evening Prayer and of course the Rosary. Please check our FB page for all streaming times.

If you are struggling in lockdown please call upon us. We are here to help for you.



Blessing of Graves - Sunday 15th November 2020

Sadly we are not able to carry out a blessing of graves in the normal way this year. However Fr Gerry will be going down to Hall Road Cemetery **THIS** Sunday at 12 noon to bless the cemetery. If you have loved ones buried in this cemetery and would like him to include their names in his blessing please let him know before **noon**.

Here are the readings for this Sunday should you wish to follow them.

**First Reading – Book of Proverbs
31:10-13 19-20 30-31**

Psalm 62 Response – O Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading: Saint Paul to the Thessalonians 5: 1-6

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30

Sacrament of Confirmation 2021-If you are in Year 9 or above and would like to commence preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation and become full members of the Catholic Church please email Fr Gerry at frgerryd@gmail.com

Baptism -If you are thinking about preparing your child/children for Baptism please speak contact Fr Gerry at frgerryd@gmail.com

Winter Fundraiser



A massive thank you to everyone who has purchased a lucky square for our **Christmas giant lucky draw**. We still have a few tickets left. They are £10 each with a lucky winner walking

away with £200 **JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS**. If you would like to help you parish and buy a square please place your money in an envelope and mark for my intention and post through the presbytery door. Thank you so much for your support.

Christine

SVP - Short Street Shelter

The Food Bank is CRITICALLY

low on these items... Tinned Veg and meats/Fruit Juice /squash/Tuna/Coffee/sugar/tea/crisps/

tinned fruit/custard/rice pudding.

Please continue to drop donations off to the church during our opening times.

THANK YOU!

News from Brentwood Diocese

National Youth Sunday, 22nd

November. Next weekend is the Feast of Christ the King, and the weekend where we especially honour and celebrate the place of young people. St John Paul II said, “In the Church of today, you are the hope of tomorrow.” Since March our Brentwood Catholic Youth Service has offered online opportunities for prayer and service, in wonderful ways, and reaching thousands of people. To discover more – including a series of short videos where young people share their experience of the BCYS – go to www.bcys.net. **Donations:** This year, in addition to lost retreat income, the lack of congregations at Mass will dramatically affect the second collection that usually takes place – please give a donation to support the BCYS via the website www.bcys.net/donate

NATIONAL JUSTICE AND PEACE NETWORK AGM AND NETWORKING DAY

Saturday 21st November 11am - 3pm via Zoom

If you are interested in justice and peace issues, come and join us without leaving the comfort of your armchair. A good way to hear about the excellent work going on elsewhere in the country. Register through Eventbrite here: - https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/njpn-agm-networking-day-tickets-121751701617?aff=ebdssbeac&keep_tld=1

Mary's Meals

We have incredible news! From today until 31 January 2021, public donations made to our [Double The Love](#) appeal will be doubled by the UK government, up to £2 million. This generosity will bring new hope to families in Liberia where hunger prevents children from going to school. Together, through this Double The Love campaign, we can help transform the lives of more than 43,000 hungry children across 167 primary schools in Liberia.

Right To Life UK

A cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament have come together to bring forward the Abortion (Cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate, cleft lip, and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK. Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill? Please visit www.standupandsmile.org.uk to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. It only takes 30 seconds.

Parish Finance

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR ONLINE OFFERING

Once again we find ourselves unable to worship publicly and appeal to you all to continue supporting your parish. We receive no help from the Government and rely totally on your help. **Please donate online <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations?parish=brentwood>**

Daily 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: Mary Fugl, Martin Chandler, Lee Davis & Sian, Karen Landy, Joe Mullany, Mark, Renate Butler, Angela Read, Jonathan Somervell, Norma Goater. The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

Monday: The Sick: Stephen Kennedy, Ron and Christine Holloway, Trevor Ridgwell, Marguerite Jakes, Louise Knight, Cory Lees, Anthony George & Mary Smith. Those who live in Apton Hall Road, Lower Road, Dorset Gardens and Sovereign Close.

Tuesday: The Sick: Andy, Brian Holt, Anne, Baby Theo, Samuel, Nellie Smith, Mary Reilly, Edward Cunado & Andrew Stevens. For the people of Bramerton Road

Community Church and their Minister David Sebley.

Wednesday: Fr Jeff Woolnough, Fr Stewart Foster, Fr Jean Laurent Marie, Fr Kieron Dodd, Fr Liam Hayes, Geraldine Stevens, Eve Stocks, Jim Beck, Sarah Knight, Kevin Cosset, Ethan Adlum, William McArthur & 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 & Len Smith. The Farming Community.

Friday: The recently departed.

Those whose anniversaries fall over the next week: Peter Doman and John Rowley,

Saturday: The Sick: Bartly Igoe, Padraig Evers, Margaret Thomas, Oliver Kelly, & Terry Lewis. Our Student Priests: Rick, Patrick, Michael, Adrian, Eamonn, Alexander, Tony, Damien & Jonathan

Sun	15	10.30am	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Pamela Duwford RIP	
Mon	16	No Mass Today			
Tues	17	7.30pm	S Gregory Thaumaturgus B C	Ints Clair Sylvester	E& TS
Wed	18	9.30am	Dedication of the Basilicas of SS Peter & Paul	For all Deceased Legionaries	LO M
Thur	19	7.30pm	S Elizabeth W	Carluelita Berlaudez RIP	
Friday	20	9.30am	S Felix de Valois C	Peter & Pat Taffurelli RIP	JG
Sun	22	10.30am	Our Lord Jesus Christ The King	Pro Populo	