**SERVICE TIMES AND MASS INTENTIONS**

**CATHEDRAL, HOLY CROSS AND MARILLAC**

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**CATHEDRAL OF ST MARY AND ST HELEN**

**HOLY CROSS AND ALL SAINTS**

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**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (C)**

20th March 2016

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**YEAR OF MERCY LENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

Brentwood Cathedral

Tuesday 22nd March at 7.30 p.m.

"Everyone say to himself: ‘When was the last time I went to confession?’ And if it has been a long time, don’t lose another day! Go, the priest will be good. And Jesus will be there, and Jesus is better than the priests - Jesus receives you. He will receive you with so much love! Be courageous, and go to confession”

*Pope Francis*

During this Year of Mercy, we all have a unique opportunity to come before God, who is rich in mercy and forgiveness, and experience his healing power in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

*A number of priests will be available to hear confessions.*

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Please ensure that you are aware of the position of all the emergency FIRE EXIT doors in the Cathedral.
PARISH NEWS
Parish Office Hours are: 8.30 a.m. – 2.30 p.m. daily

PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the souls of Marie Mills and Alice Jackson who died recently; Marie’s funeral Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Tuesday 29th March at 10.30 a.m. Alice’s funeral Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Thursday 31st March at 2.30 p.m. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

LENT FOOD BANK COLLECTION: A huge thank to all who gave so generously for the Brentwood Foodbank. The staff at the Foodbank send their personal thanks and said that this week’s delivery from the Cathedral and Holy Cross parishes was the largest that they have ever received!

COFFEE after the 9.30 a.m. Mass this week will be hosted by the Medaille Trust; there will be no coffee morning next week, Easter Sunday.

THANK YOU for the collection on the 13th March: £3,074.62 of which £2,174.91 was Gift Aided (Holy Cross £289.80 with Gift Aid £200.72); thank you for your continued generosity.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS: the Eucharistic Ministers list for Easter is on the noticeboard in the narthex; Readers have been contacted by Fr Martin.

THE CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BRENTWOOD have the Walk of Witness on Good Friday 25th March beginning with worship in the Cathedral at 10.30 a.m. followed by a SILENT procession to the Chapel Ruins for public act of worship and on to United Reformed Church for refreshments. Let us take this opportunity to turn out in great numbers to witness to the Lord in our town.

ONE PARISH: The joining of the Cathedral parish and Holy Cross parish into one single parish will take place on Easter Sunday. The death and resurrection of Christ will become ours in a very real way this year.

Of course, such a change, as with any change, will involve loss and, for some people, this loss will be a source of sadness and grief. We must recognise this and be sensitive to those people who feel this loss most deeply, especially those who have given so generously of their spiritual gifts and practical talents.

At the same time, every change is the promise of a future where God’s grace may flourish in ways that we could not begin to imagine. Without a hope in the future, we resign ourselves to living in a past, one that may have served previous generations well, but can no longer respond to the missionary needs of our own time. As Christians, our hope is in the Risen Christ who keeps his Church ever youthful and who provides fresh wine for new skins. With that knowledge and trusting in God’s promise, we should face the future as one parish with great confidence and Easter hope.

GIFT AID SCHEME: As the end of the tax year approaches we are considering our gift aid claim. Please get in touch with Lorna Green, the gift aid organiser, on 205923 or philandlorna@aol.com, if any of the following circumstances apply to you:

- You are no longer a tax payer or became a non-tax payer in 2015/16
- You wish to leave the gift aid scheme
- You signed up to the gift aid scheme, but were unable to make payments during the year (please see note regarding this below)
- You require a final tax letter for your 2015/16 tax return
- You wish to increase the amount you donate

As a housekeeping exercise, if those within the scheme are no longer donating, their record is terminated. It can always be reinstated at a later stage.

NEW GIFT AID BOXES ARE AVAILABLE TO BE COLLECTED NOW: Please note that boxes are not prepared for those who pay by standing order. Any standing order donor who wishes to make additional offertory or second collection donations is requested to use the gift aid envelopes found in the narthex. Please write your reference number on it so you can be identified.

GIFT AID NOTICE FOR HOLY CROSS
As Holy Cross and Brentwood Cathedral are joining together as one parish from Easter Sunday, the administration of the gift aid scheme will also be for one parish. Lorna Green, the gift aid organiser at the Cathedral, has agreed to manage this and it will be effective from 2016/17 tax year. Lorna will endeavour to affect the change with as little disruption as possible to your continued giving.

The main changes are detailed below:

- A new envelope will be used that is for both the Cathedral and Holy Cross, and this is denoted in the name.
- There may be the need to amend your envelope number, but this will be done by Lorna and new envelopes will be available to collect in March – arranged in alphabetical order.
- Standing orders will continue to be paid into the Holy Cross bank account. Again, any change in reference number will be advised to the individual donors.

It would be a great help to Lorna if those who are in the current Holy Cross gift aid scheme would confirm the following:

- Whether you require a box of envelopes for the new tax year
- If you are unable to continue in the gift aid scheme for any reason.

Lorna can be contacted on 205923 or by email at philandlorna@aol.com. Your continued support is much appreciated and will make a significant difference to the financial wellbeing of the parish.
MARIA RATSCHITZ RETIRING COLLECTION – together we raised £1,241.00 for the parishioners of Maria Ratschitz. On behalf of Fr Tom and his parishioners, sincerest thanks for your continued support and prayers for our twinned parish; it really does make a difference. Thank you

REPOSITORY: Please note that the Repository will be open for the convenience of the parents/family of First Communion children before the services on the following dates: 19th March, 16th April, 30th April and 7th May.

HOLY CROSS CHILDREN’S LITURGY There will be cupcakes for all children’s liturgy children and their parents on Easter Sunday following the 11.00 a.m. Mass. All children and their families are invited into the hall to celebrate Easter.

YEAR OF MERCY Adoration and Sacrament of Reconciliation in Holy Cross Church on the second and fourth Friday of every month from 6.00 – 8.00 p.m.; the next adoration will be on Friday 1st April.

WILL YOU LIKE TO BE AN USHER AT MASS AND PLAY YOUR PART IN THE RENEWAL OF OUR PARISH? Do you regularly attend the 9.30 a.m. or 6.30 p.m. Sunday Mass? We are in serious need of additional ushers to assist our existing Ushers at these Masses. This is not a difficult job or a time consuming one, but it is an important role and ensures that people are made to feel welcome and that Masses run smoothly. If you want to find out more or are interested in becoming an usher please contact the office or the Chief Usher, Paul Redfearn on 224208.

WILL YOU LIKE TO PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD AT MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL AND HOLY CROSS? Are you confident reading in public? Do you have a clear and expressive reading voice? Can you help communicate the Word of God and help make it something alive and active in those who hear it? Are you confident reading in public? Do you have a clear and expressive reading voice? Can you help communicate the Word of God and help make it something alive and active in those who hear it? If so please come along to a short meeting in the Cathedral on Saturday 2nd April at 10.00 a.m to find out some more information about this important ministry (please note that this date has changed).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REHEARSALS Please make a note of the following rehearsal dates and times: For Communions in the Cathedral on 30th April – rehearsals are: Tuesday 26th April - 6.00 p.m. for children receiving at 11.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. for children receiving at 2.30 p.m. For communions on 7th May – rehearsals on Tuesday 3rd May at 7.00 p.m. for children receiving at the Cathedral and at 7.00 p.m. at Holy Cross for children receiving there.

THE BRENTWOOD KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA are holding a Charity Supper and Dance evening on Saturday 16th April in the Cathedral Parish Hall commencing at 7.00 p.m. There will be live music with a 50/60/70’s theme and a hot and cold buffet. Please bring your own drinks. Tickets are priced at £20 each and are available from Paul Redfearn (224208), Alf Roberts (01268 569377) and Peter Ayer (227389). Your support would be much appreciated in order to raise funds for KSC National Charity and Friends of the Holy Land.

CHORAL VESPERS is celebrated in the Cathedral on Wednesdays at 6.30 p.m. (during term time). Everyone most welcome.


SICK AND HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS: If you know anyone who is unable to come to Mass but would still like to receive Holy Communion in their home, please contact Clergy House so that we can put them on our Sick Communion list.

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK is available to anyone who is gravely ill or about to have an operation, so if you know someone who should receive this important sacrament then please speak to a member of the clergy or ring the parish office on 265235.

OUR SICK:- Please pray for all our sick and housebound parishioners and friends, including: Jean Allen, Brenda Baigrie, Hermine Bayley, Madeleine Bevan, Carmen Blackett, Colin Blackley, Sandra Bradford, Joy Breslin, Sr Eileen Bolger, Eileen Brook, Beryl de Prazer, Michael Clifford, Sharon Cornell, David, Baby Arthur Fleming, Rebecca Floreno, Ron Fuhr, Sr Gabby, Toni Marie Graves, Mary Hayter, Tom Horan, Ann Hurcumbe, Jess, Billy Jones, James Joseph, Brian Kelleher, Veronica Kelleher, Marion Kelly, Stefan Krafca, Brenda Luce, Caroline Lynch, Joanne McCann, Anita McDonald-Liggins, Diarmid McMahan, Betty McManimon, Elaine Moss, Kathleen O’Harte, Liam O’Herlihy, Siobhan O'Leary, Michael Olejarczyk, Tony and Babs Page, Mercedes Payne, Debbie and Brian Perrett, Michael Polley, Ruth Pye, James Quilligan, Jacqueline Quinlan, Bernadette Reardon, Pat Richardson, Mary Robinson, Anne Rowe, Michael Sexton, Pat Shaw, Robin Shutterstock, Daisy Simpson, Bernard Slater, David Spring, Marie Stack, Sarah Stokes, Sarah Storer, Patricia Swadling, Pat Tobin, TCT, Donald Walker, Mrs Maria Wallis, Louisa Whiteman, and all our sick in the Marillac, Mascal Park, Brentwood Community, Queens, Nuffield and Hartswood Hospitals and St Francis Hospice.

CATHEDRAL ANNIVERSARIES:- Please remember the following, whose anniversaries occur at this time: Father Curley, James K Condon, Sister M Dympna, Elizabeth Alderton, Rose Stevens, Siobhan Leonard, Eileen Nolan, Mary McElwaine, Thomas O’Toole, Mary Ellen Kenny, Mrs C O’Harlihy, Frances Payne, Bertha Buckley, Tina Brimacombe, Monica Loveday, Koala Ellis, Antony Alfred, Mrs V Eldridge, Eileen Schofield, John Elsender, Margaret Outhwaite, Philip Apicella, Sister Carmel Ryan OSU, Elizabeth Robins, Vera Burgess, Elizabeth Lynch, Charles Hickman, Mary Ivy Nozarrick, Colm Flaherty, Samuel Forsyth, Lena Mary Burey, William Dyer, Sidney Betts, Paul Toomey, Alice Walker, Mary Logan, Walter Moore, Jack Cross, Mabel Salles, Florence Seymour, Derek...
Emberson, Graham Curtis, John Harrington, Ellen Tully, Henry Sellar, Margaret Reilly, Justin White, Hilda Calabritto, Johanna McMahon and Hector Avis.

HOLY CROSS ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember the following, whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mary Watson, Anne Duffy, Tony Nourse, Mollie Brady, Michael Harvey, Maria Hill, Kathleen Coburn, Sam Forsyth, Hilda Fairburn, Elizabeth Wilson, Harry Hewitt, Michael Green, Margaret Lucey, Kathleen McMahon, Dora Horam, Audrey Roden, William O'Neill, Robert O'Farrell, Edward, Michael Meehan, Jack Cross and Anne Coelho.

GENERAL NEWS

THE BILLERICAY PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP invite you to a Day of Devotion to the Divine Mercy at Abbotswick on Sunday 3rd April. Arrival at 10.30 a.m. for 11.00 a.m. start. Confession available. Mass will be at 3.30 p.m. Ring Claire Wallis 658783 for more information. All welcome.

BCCS FUNDRAISING: Parishioners Marc and Dean Craddock will be running the London Marathon in April to raise funds for the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. If you are able to make a donation, please visit https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/marcanddean. Many thanks.

HIT THE ROAD – A Bridge Too Far?: The Campion School’s sixth annual fundraising walk for the Teenage Cancer Trust takes place on Saturday 30th April. This year’s twenty mile route starts from Trinity Gardens outside Tower Hill station at approx. 10.00 a.m. A shorter walk (seven miles) starts at St Thomas’ Hospital, opposite the Houses of Parliament, at approx. 1.15 p.m. Both distances involve crossing a lot of bridges – perhaps a bridge too far? – and finish at The Ledger Building, Canary Wharf. The entry fee of £15 adults/£10 concessions includes a t-shirt. Entry forms and further information are available on our school website www.thecampionschool.org.uk or from Caroline Meehan at the school on 01708 452332 x306. Please return completed entry forms by 11th April.

BCCS SPRING CONCERT at Ingatestone Hall on the 14th May at 7.30 p.m. Graduates from The Guildhall School of Music & Drama will be performing a concert of operatic, classical and light musical favourites! We will be entertained by two professional singers (a Soprano and Tenor) and a pianist; the singers will perform duets and solo items. This should be a wonderful concert in the beautiful and historical venue of Ingatestone Hall. Tickets are £22, including prosecco and nibbles. Contact Amy Pether apether@bccs.org.uk / 01268 784544 for more details and to reserve your place.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE NORTHERN SAINTS: Join parishioners from Basildon on a pilgrimage that will include Saints such as Aidan, Bede, Cuthbert and Hilda, with tours in Durham, Jarrow, Lindisfarne and Whithby, as well as a look along Hadrian’s Wall. Accommodation in the Ramada Hotel, Gateshead, with dinner, breakfast and a touring coach throughout. May 29th – June 3rd (half term). £445 per person for twin or double room. Full details from Sarah in the Basildon parish office, 01268 281732 or email parishadministrator@basildoncatholics.org.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN’S SOCIETY - Prudential Ride London 100 Sunday 31st July: We currently have places for this top UK 100 mile cycling event which starts in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in East London and follows a modified version of the 2012 Olympic route through the Surrey Hills and back into central London to the finish line in the Mall. If you would like to be considered for one of our places, can commit to raising a minimum of £600 (excluding Gift Aid) and are willing to pay a £50 registration fee, please contact Libby on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk.

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY: St. Peter’s Catholic School, Billericay is seeking to appoint a new Deputy Headteacher to start in September 2016. Further information about this position may be obtained through the website: http://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=24794.

INVIGILATORS REQUIRED: All Saints School Dagenham require Invigilators for May and June, £9.00 per hour. Application Forms may be found at www.allsaintsschool.co.uk.

WALSINGHAM HOUSE – WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITIES! There are currently two vacancies for Assistant Managers to begin in August 2016, and two remaining vacancies for 2016/17 volunteer Retreat Team Members. Contact leightonwalker@dioceseofbrentwood.org or call 01268 515970. For the Assistant Manager vacancies, full details at www.bcyss.net/job-opportunities.

SUMMER LOURDES WITH THE BCYS – places for those in school year 13 are still available. We are in Lourdes 13th – 20th August; for those with A-level results that week we will have Internet and phone connections for you to get your results, call Universities, etc. Forms at www.bcyss.net or call 01268 515970. There are also a tiny handful of places left for anyone in year 10-12.

THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES would like to increase further the medical cover it provides for its pilgrims. If you are a doctor, please consider joining the pilgrimage this year (14 - 19 August). Your care of our pilgrims is greatly needed, will be very much appreciated, and is immensely rewarding. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Cathy O’Connor at 01206 501146 or via cathy@brentwoodlourdes.org.

THE URSULINE ACADEMY ILFORD are seeking a Subject Leader for Religious Education for a September start. We are looking to recruit a creative, enthusiastic, inspiring individual who is driven to lead. You will be a key contributor to this hugely successful, popular and oversubscribed Academy whose ethos is underpinned by Gospel values and the Ursuline motto of ‘Serviam’. For further information please visit www.uai.org.uk or email bbarnes@uai.org.uk. Closing date is Tuesday 12 April 2016.