PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

6.00pm  Mass  Paul Grayston RIP

Sunday 20th October 2019

8.30am  Rosary  Nolla Gurney RIP
9.00am  Mass  People of the Parish
11.00am  Mass  People of the Parish

Monday 21st October 2019 – Feria

9.00 am  Morning Prayer  Barrie Reynold's Intentions
9.20 am  Mass

Tuesday 22nd October 2019 – Feria

No Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 10am to 5pm

Wednesday 23rd October 2019 – Feria

No Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 10am to 4pm

Thursday 24th October 2019 – Feria

No Mass

Friday 25th October 2019 – Feria

No Mass
Eucharistic Adoration 10am to 5pm

Saturday 26th October 2019 – St Cedd

No Morning Mass

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

6.00pm  Mass  Sheila Maher’s Intentions

Sunday 27th October 2019

8.30am  Rosary  People of the Parish
9.00am  Mass  Margaret Bone RIP
11.00am  Mass

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We often think of prayer as mere asking, and this parable encourages us to pester God as the wronged widow pestered the Unjust Judge. But that is only one aspect of Luke’s teaching on prayer. He also shows us what our attitude in prayer should be in the parable which immediately follows today’s passage from the gospel: the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax-Collector. The tax-collector wins approval because he just stands there, admitting his sins. Most instructive, however, is Luke’s teaching on Jesus at prayer: he reminds us that Jesus is always quietly at prayer to his Father. He needs to slip away to spend the night in prayer. Especially he prays at the most important moments of his life: at his Baptism, when he chooses his team of disciples, before he teaches them to pray, at the approach of his Passion, finally forgiving and comforting others at his death. Paul tells us we should pray continually. The prayer of asking must be built on a relationship of love and dependence, just as the request of child to parents is built on their loving relationship. It does not matter if the child is at times naughty; the deep relationship between parent and child is one of love. So too we do not need to be perfect to make our requests to our Father.

When and how do you find it best to pray?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

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Hall Bookings: email wickfordcatholichalls@gmail.com/ 07709 406518
Safeguarding Officer: Esther Leighton 07719 403792
Our Sunday masses are live streamed at www.churchservices.tv/wickford or on the parish website
Brentwood Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 234092
TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: World Mission Sunday supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting Missio, the Pope’s charity for world mission, you will help missionaries like Sr Clara share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to the second collection being taken after all Masses this weekend. If you are a taxpayer, please use the Gift Aid envelopes. For more information, visit missio.org.uk Thank you.

ONE WORLD WEEK: The Social Committee would like to invite all parishioners to come and join us for “One World Week” celebrating our diverse cultures and by bringing a national food dish to share with fellow parishioners, on SATURDAY OCTOBER 26th at 2pm in Our Lady’s Hall. If any of you would like to contribute further by wearing national costume or with song or dance, this would be very welcome.

‘DEEPEN YOUR FAITH’ sessions at Wickford. Over the next 9 months we will have a series of 10 ‘Deepen Your Faith’ sessions. The sessions will include the showing of the week acclaimed ‘Catholicism’ DVD series produced by Fr Robert Barron, opportunities for a chat and a coffee, and then Q&A sessions fielded in the main by Fr Mark. Our first session will take place on Wednesday 13th November in 2 showings. The first showing will be from 10am to 11.30am St Peter’s hall and the second will be from 7pm to 8.30pm in Our Lady’s hall. Please come along if you can. Future dates to be advised. Chocolate will be provided!

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF HOLY SOULS we particularly remember and pray in a special way for those whom God has called from this life, especially members of our families and friends. Envelopes for the names of those you would like remembered at Mass are available from the table at the back of church and the names of your deceased will be placed before the altar at every Mass. Please return your envelopes to the parish office.

In addition, if you would like a picture of a loved one displayed in the church for the month of November, please hand it into the parish office with your name clearly marked on the back to enable us to return it to you; we would request that you do not submit any pictures of sentimental value as we will be using blue tack.

COFFEE AFTER MASS: We will be serving coffee after Mass on the first Sunday of the month from the back of church, starting on Sunday 3rd November for the 9am Mass. Please return your envelopes to the parish office.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE: With regard to applications to Catholic Primary Schools, Certificates of Practise will be signed by Fr Mark at the beginning of January, if families are eligible. In order for Fr Mark to sign them, he will need to see families who want them at Mass each week, otherwise, he will be unable to sign them.


Anniversaries – We pray for Hanorah Desmond, Fr Bernard Clay, Frederick Woznica, Violet Sharp, Timothy Hockley, Florence Armstrong, Max Scheibl, Thomas Wade, Dermot Moore, May Morrice, Thomas Chaplin, Katie Hayden, Teresa Matthews, Maud Day, Margaret Osborne, Mary Leonard, Michael Hurley, Terence McAllister, John O’Driscoll, Mgr. Daniel Shanahan and Peter Jones. May they rejoice forever with all the saints in God’s Kingdom.

CAN YOU HELP? The Ladies Social Club are seeking a new leader, or leaders, to organise their fortnightly meetings. The club has been running for 30 years – it has a membership of 32 with a regular attendance of 22/24. The current leaders are now ageing – younger ladies are needed to keep it going. Come along and see for yourselves what is involved or contact Liz Lee on 01268 767720.

Children’s Liturgy urgently need Volunteers, you need no particular skills other than a wish to share with the children the gospel stories in an age appropriate way and to encourage them to grow in their faith. The book we use is very informative and easy to use and anyone wishing to join the team would be given every assistance. If anyone would like to sit in on a session to see what’s involved they would be more than welcome to do so. Please speak to Fr Mark if you are willing to help.

LIVE STREAMING OF THE MASS: Due to a technical problem the live streaming will be offline for a short period of time. Thank you for your patience.

THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED (CARDINAL) JOHN HENRY NEWMAN: For those that missed out last weekend, additional prayer sheets are available from the porch.

DON’T FORGET It’s nearly that time when we get an extra hour in bed; the clocks will go back at 2.00 a.m. next Sunday, 27th October.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY is holding a Christmas Craft & Gift Fair at Mill Hall, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh on Sunday 3rd November from 10.30 – 4pm. There is free-parking at the venue and admission is only £1.50 for adults & free for children under 14. There will be over 40 stalls selling all manner of gifts & crafts so come along and pick up a few early Christmas presents, enjoy some refreshments while helping us raise vital funds for our work. If you have anything to donate which we can sell on our own stall, we would love to hear from you. Please email Alison agolder@bccs.org.uk

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE AND COMMEMORATION of loved ones, Sunday 10th November 2.30 p.m. at Walsingham House at Abbotswic. If you are the friend or family member of someone who is remembered at Abbotswic, you are very welcome to this Mass, where the names of all those commemorated there will be read out, and a candle lit for each of them. For more details email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org or telephone 01277 373959.

SPIRITUALITY MORNING – Saturday 16th November 2019 – 10.30am-12.00noon- Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT. Topic: Preparing for the Advent Journey. Speaker: Bishop Alan Williams,sm, Tel. 01277 265285 email: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org

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Second Collection – Prisoners Sunday £279.82. Thank you for your generosity.