

Mass Intentions for week beginning 3rd May 2014

Sat 3	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	6.00pm	Mary Keville RIP Joseph Albert D'Souza RIP The People of the Parish
Sun 4		10.00am 12noon	
Mon 5	Easter Feria	10.00am 6.30pm	Novena Prayers Francis Clooney RIP (1962 Missal)
Tue 6	St John Payne, Pr. M.	10.00am	Thomas Donoghue RIP
Wed 7	Easter Feria	10.00am	May Anniversaries RIP
Thur 8	Easter Feria	10.00am	Pete Clancy RIP
Fri 9	Easter Feria	10.00am	John Ryan RIP
Sat 10	Easter Feria	9.30am	Mass
Sat 10	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY)	6.00pm	Thanksgiving (Dafters) Bernard White RIP The People of the Parish
Sun 11		10.00am 12noon	

Confessions this Saturday 5.30 – 5.45pm

Your prayers are asked for the sick and housebound, especially:

Roland & Madeleine Selvini, Josie D'afters, David Schrier, Christina Whiting, Connie Liddard, Clive Sutton, Anne Purcell, Ken Stanton, Kathleen Simpson, Pamela Allen, Noel Judge, Grace Lobendhan, Dave Hobbs, Marcus Prospert, Eoin Oliver, Bob Edgar, Mary Holmes, Peggy Wright, Peggy Gajewski, Victor Francis, Sid Parker, Agnes Warren, Mary Evelyn Piotrowski, Derek Pyner, Gerald Rowe, Mary Brock, Ann Divine, Ann O'Donovan, Anthony Fonseca, Lola-Teresa Durojaiye, Margaret McQueen, Paul Westrop, Christine Hall, Maria McLoughlin, John Phillips, Mick Martin, Adriano Agatiello, Kay Fahy, Tony Baldwin, Paul Doyle, Susan Coker, Daniel Sutton, Tony Morton, Bernadette Thomas, Jane Anne Harvey, the Kitteridge Family, Maximilian Peluso, Patricia Theobalds, Jean Salter, Terry Eales, the residents of Sherrell House, Belmont Lodge and Pinewood.

Mass Attendance last weekend: 343

Offertory Collection last weekend: £691.65
(Holy Places – Good Friday: £335.00)

THE ASSUMPTION, Hainault, is twinned with the Parish of Our Lady of Sorrows, Maria Ratschitz, in the diocese of Dundee, South Africa.

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*The Holy Father's Catechesis on the Holy Spirit
(Part 1)*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today we begin a series of catecheses on the *gifts of the Holy Spirit*. The Spirit is himself the "gift of God" (cf. *John* 4:10), the presence of God's love in the Church and in our hearts. Based on a messianic prophecy of Isaiah, the Church has traditionally distinguished seven gifts of the Spirit: *wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord*. The first of these is *wisdom*. As a spiritual gift, this wisdom is an interior light, a grace enabling us to contemplate all things with the eyes of God and a heart docile to the promptings of the Spirit. Born of closeness to God in prayer and loving communion, it helps us to recognize with joyful gratitude his providential plan for all things. Christian wisdom is thus the fruit of a supernatural "taste" for God, an ability to savour his presence, goodness and love all around us. How much our world needs the witness of such wisdom today! Let us pray for this gift, so that, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit, we can be true men and women of God, transparently open to his own wisdom and the power of his saving love.

Franciscus PP.

THE EASTER ANGELUS

During the Season of Easter, the Angelus is replaced by the “Regina Caeli”. It will be sung at the beginning of the 6.00pm Mass on Saturdays and the 12noon Mass on Sundays. The text of the prayer can be found in the Parish Mass Books on page 2 (opposite the Table of Contents and below the text of the Angelus).



TEA & COFFEE are served in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass every Sunday. Please come along, even if only for a few minutes, to meet and chat with your neighbour.

This Monday:

10.00am Novena Prayers
6.30pm Mass (1962 Missal)

THE MONTLIGEON PRAYER GROUP for the Holy Souls in Purgatory meets this Wednesday for Mass at 10.00am, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers for the Holy Souls and Benediction. The meeting will end no later than 11 o'clock.

CONFIRMATION CLASS this Wednesday at 7.30pm (Parish Hall)

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS this Thursday at 5.00pm in the Parish Hall

THE LEGION OF MARY meets this Thursday at 7.00pm

DURING THE MONTH OF MAY (Mary’s own month), the Rosary is recited publicly half-an-hour before Mass. Why not arrive a little earlier and join in?



EASTER COMMUNION: all Catholics are bound to receive Holy Communion worthily between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday (one’s “Easter duties”). This duty requires us, if necessary, to seek the forgiveness of our sins in the Sacrament of penance. The Church teaches us that we must purify ourselves from sin and receive Christ worthily in Holy Communion. It is only by His grace that we are made worthy to enter in the presence of, and communion with, the All-Holy God.



NEXT SUNDAY is the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations* and there will be some vocations bookmarks for every parishioner, as well as other resources. The Vocations website has also been refreshed – if you are interested, please visit www.brentwoodvocations.org. All of the resources to promote Vocations to Priesthood and the Religious Life are paid for by the annual second collection, which will take place after Masses next Sunday.

MASS FOR MIGRANTS: the annual Mass for Migrants, in honour of St Joseph the Worker, will be held on *Bank Holiday Monday (5th May)* in Westminster Cathedral, London. Mass begins at 11.00am and will be preceded by a banner procession at 10.30am. If you require more information please contact Davina Bolt 01277 265234 email davina@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

25th ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES. The Diocesan Pilgrimage leaves on Saturday 26th July, returning Thursday 31st. The programme includes a wide range of spiritual and social opportunities, plus a trip out into the Pyrenees for the afternoon. The pilgrimage is well supported by an excellent medical team, and many young helpers who can assist those who are in wheelchairs. Our hotels are very central, and a high standard, and the price includes all meals. From £618 by air, and £418 by coach – full details at www.brentwoodlourdes.org or call Cathy O’Connor about booking, 01206 501146.

SICK AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL: if anyone is seriously ill at home or is in hospital, it is most important that a priest be informed so that the sick person may receive the spiritual help of the sacraments. Relatives or friends should inform their parish priest and/or the Catholic chaplain of the hospital (*at King George Hospital, 8590 9026; at Queen’s Hospital, 01708 447761; at Whipps Cross Hospital, 8520 5877*).

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? May I draw your attention to the *Sick Parishioner Care* forms at the back of church. Please take one if you are going to hospital and wish the Catholic chaplain to look after you!
Fr Selvini

MASS INTENTIONS/OFFERINGS: special envelopes are available at the back of church. If you would like a Mass offered on a *particular anniversary*, please let the Parish Priest know well in advance – the sooner the better! Thank you for your co-operation.

***The Holy Father’s Prayer Intentions
for the month of May***

General Intention: That the media may be instruments in the service of truth and peace.

Missionary Intention: That Mary, Star of Evangelization, may guide the Church in proclaiming Christ to all nations.