CATHEDRAL OF ST MARY  
AND ST HELEN  
HOLY CROSS AND ALL SAINTS

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Wednesday 29th June is the Solemnity of the Apostles,  
Saints Peter and Paul. A holy day of obligation.

Mass times: Vigil Mass Tuesday 28th at 7.30 p.m.  
Wednesday Masses at 9.15 a.m. and 1.00 p.m.

13th Sunday Ordinary Time  
26th June 2022

St Augustine on the Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul:

“Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were  
one; even though they suffered on different days, they were as  
one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate  
this day made holy for us by apostles’ blood. Let us embrace  
what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings,  
their preaching, and their confession of faith.”

THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION TODAY for Peter’s  
Pence. This collection is a gesture of solidarity through which  
every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of  
the Pope by supporting his charities across the world. Please be  
as generous as you are able.

A SERVICE OF THE WORD AND HOLY COMMUNION will take  
place on Tuesdays 28th June and 5th July, at 9.15 a.m. instead  
of morning Mass.

HOLY HOUR Please note that due to holidays the Monday Holy  
Hour is cancelled and will recommence on 25th July.

VESPERS FOR UKRAINE, Wednesday 29th June, 7.00 p.m. in the  
Cathedral. An ecumenical service to pray for Ukraine at which  
the Dean of Chelmsford Cathedral will give a short reflection.  
The music will be a mixture of Ukrainian and English church  
music and some of the readings and prayers will be in  
Ukrainian.

Everyone is very welcome as we show solidarity and lift to the  
Lord in prayer our Ukrainian friends, many of whom are now  
living with members of our parish community.

This will be followed by a social event in the Parish Hall next  
door (starting around 7.45 p.m.). There will also be people  
available to give advice on most aspects of supporting our
Ukrainian guests, including staff from Brentwood Borough Council, the DWP and the Brentwood Foodbank.

ALL ARE WELCOME Parishioners and friends are warmly welcome between 1.00 and 3.00 p.m. on Friday 1st July in the small parish hall for teas/coffees/biscuits/cake and fellowship. Please do come along and join us; all are welcome!

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION We are now beginning to make preparations for the 2022-23 Confirmation Course. If you are presently in year 11 and are interested in learning more about your faith and/or feel ready to take this next step then please register your interest by sending an email to cathedralbrentwood@gmail.com The only information we need at this stage is your name, your year group at school, and parents’ contact details. Please do this before 3rd July. Full registration information will be sent out once we receive these details.

Please bear in mind that classes take place on Sunday afternoons and attendance at these is compulsory.

COFFEE AFTER 9.30 MASS next Sunday 3rd July will be hosted by the Love in Action Group; please do come along and join us. Do make everyone feel welcome and introduce yourself to others, especially those who may be new to attending the coffee morning.

BCYS YOUTH MASS - Thursday 7th July Join us for Pizza in the Parish Hall at 6.00 p.m. followed by a Music Workshop in the Cathedral led by Art Wangcharonsab of the Cathedral Music Dept. Singers, instrumentalists and young people (roughly year 9+) are all very welcome, whether you wish to join in or simply watch and listen! Mass will begin in the Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. celebrated by Fr Damien Wade. www.bcys.net/events

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE OF NICHOLAS HOLMES on Saturday 9th July at 11.30 a.m. in Brentwood Cathedral.

Everyone welcome. To help with catering requirements, if you plan to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

We are seeking help with the refreshments at the Ordination; if you could be available from 9.00 a.m. on this day and would be willing to help, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA SECOND COLLECTION Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health.

Sea Sunday is Sunday 10th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in the second collection today, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting ‘SEA’ to 70460 to donate £5.

THE SECOND AREA MASS will take place on Wednesday 13th July at 7.00 p.m. in the Cathedral Parish Hall followed by refreshments. Please look at the map on the notice board in the Cathedral to see if you live in Area B. If you are a parishioner but live outside the physical boundaries of the parish, you are most welcome to join us at any of the Area Masses.

To give us some idea of numbers for catering purposes please sign up on the sheet in the Cathedral narthex

This is an opportunity for us to come into the presence of Christ and for people to get to know each other a little better outside of Sunday Mass. If you would like to help with that Mass, please contact Clergy House.
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE MASS on 16th July at 3.00 p.m. in Brentwood Cathedral. Main celebrant: Bishop Alan Williams. If you are married or engaged to be married, please join us as we celebrate the great vocation of married life.

HOLIDAY TIME. Fr Gary will be on holiday from 27th June - 18th July. Fr Martin will be on holiday from 22nd July - 22nd August.

PRAY for the repose of the soul of Violet (‘Babs’) Page, Michael Lyons, Maria Bain, Margaret Wood and Bridget (Bridie) McDonagh who died recently.

Babs’ funeral service will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Monday 27th June at 10.15 a.m.

Michael’s funeral service will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Thursday 30th June at 10.30 a.m.

Maria’s Requiem Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Friday 1st July at 11.00 a.m.

Bridie’s Requiem Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Thursday 7th July at 10.30 a.m.

Margaret’s funeral service will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Friday 8th July at 10.30 a.m.

May all who have died know the Lord’s goodness in the land of the living.

BAPTISM PREPARATION Please see Cathedral website www.cathedralbrentwood.org for all the updated information about having your child baptised.

THE CLOSING OF HSBC BANK BILERICAY BRANCH means that it has become even more difficult to bank loose collection plate money. The nearest HSBC bank to is now in Basildon. If at all possible, please support the parish by setting up a STANDING ORDER. Once set up, you do not have to think or worry about your offering when you come to Mass. If you are a taxpayer, please gift aid your offering. For more information go to www.cathedralbrentwood.org/gift-aid-explained/

We do understand that there are some people who cannot do this or who would prefer to make their offering by cash. We will continue to pass round the collection bag for those people as normal.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the running and work of the Cathedral parish.

READERS AT MASS. Would you be interested in proclaiming God’s word to the community at Sunday Mass? Do you have a clear and expressive reading voice? If so, please contact Fr Martin through the parish office.

SUNDAY MASSES in the Cathedral:
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS at 6.30 p.m. in the Cathedral.
SUNDAY: 8.00 a.m./ 9.30 a.m. / 11.30 a.m. & 6.30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES Monday to Friday at 9.15 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available on Saturdays in the Cathedral from 10.00 - 11.00 a.m.

DETAILS OF PARISH ANNIVERSARIES AND SICK LIST can be found on the narthex noticeboard and at www.cathedralbrentwood.org/news/news-latest.pdf

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK and housebound parishioners and friends, including: Hermine Bayley, Madeleine Bevan, Phil Carr, David, Patricia Decup, Fr Stewart Foster, Julian Goode, Angela Harris, David Hill, Ann Hurcombe, Wong Su Hwa, Jess, Brian Kelleher, Veronica Kelleher, Lawrence, Tony Maule, Mary McCarthy, Carmel Micallef, Kath Murnane, Harry Newman, Barney O’Driscoll, Joe O’Herlihy, Steven Poole, Anne Rowe, Helena Rowe, Geraldine Sheehan, Robin Shenton, David Spring, Tim, TCT and all our sick in Marillac, Mascalls, Brentwood Community, The Beeches, Queens, Nuffield and Hartswood Hospitals and St Francis Hospice.

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PLEASE REGISTER TODAY AS A CATHEDRAL PARISHIONER

Thank you to all those parishioners who have already taken the time to register. If you haven’t done so already, please do so.

How do you register?
It is very simple and will take no more than five minutes of your time. Each adult parishioner should either go to “Parish Census” at www.cathedralbrentwood.org or use the QR code below:

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For those of you who cannot complete the registration form online, forms are available in the narthex of the Cathedral. Once you have filled in the form, please return it to Clergy House.

PREPARATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022/23
The details to register your child (Year 4 and above in September 2022) for the 2022/23 programme will be released in due course. We hope that the children being a year older will allow them to benefit more fully from this spiritual preparation and that supported by their parents that they will also be more familiar with the prayers and celebration of Mass.

GENERAL NEWS

HELPING THOSE IN UKRAINE, and Ukrainian Refugees. Caritas Brentwood are regularly updating information on their website, covering donations, prayer, and welcoming those who are fleeing Ukraine. You will find everything at: https://www.caritasbrentwood.org/ukraine/

VACANCY Deputy Care Supervisor (maternity cover) 10 hours per week - Ursuline Sisters Brentwood to assist our current Supervisor. Our Care team provide care for 5 resident Sisters. Applicants should have nursing qualifications and previous experience of caring for the elderly. Post includes being on call alternate weekends (flexible). Driving licence essential. Please telephone 01277 260156 for an application form.

BANK STAFF - Ursuline Sisters Brentwood Bank Staff are required to assist our Care team providing care for 5 resident Sisters. Applicants should have previous experience of caring for the elderly. Please telephone 01277 260156 for an application form.

KEITH WILLIAMS, HEADMASTER AT THE CAMPION SCHOOL is retiring at the end of this academic year. In order to celebrate his 40 years of service, there will be a Thanksgiving Mass at the school at 7.00 p.m. on Friday 8th July 2022. The Mass will be followed by a buffet in the Main Hall.

If you and any of your family would like to join us on this occasion, please email office@thecampionschool.org giving the numbers expected.

JUST FINISHED A-LEVELS OR UNI? Aged 18-22? Interested in working with young people? Join the Walsingham House Team 2022/23 for an amazing Gap Year opportunity starting in September 2022. Details on www.bcys.net or contact Joseph Beattie -01277 373959 or email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org

YEAR OF THE FAMILY The 10th World Meeting of Families is taking place in Rome this coming week, with a programme of talks and liturgies which will be live-streamed via Vatican media channels. Our Diocese is marking the close of the Year of the Family at the annual Mass for Marriage and Family Life in July, which Bishop Alan will offer for the intentions of all families in the Diocese. If would like a particular intention to be placed before the altar at this Mass, please complete the prayer request form which can be found on the new Marriage and Family Life pages of the Diocesan website, where you will
find more information about the World Meeting of Families: https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/marriage-family-life

FAITH LIFT DAY - Sunday 10th July at the Sion Community, Sawyers Hall Lane. The day will begin with Mass at 12 Noon, (this is optional if people would prefer to attend their parish Sunday Mass) followed by lunch at 1.00 p.m. At 2.00 p.m. there will be prayer and praise, followed by a talk from 2.45 - 3.20 p.m. After a short break will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with opportunity for Confession, and Prayer Ministry from 3.45 finishing at 4.45 p.m. Tea and coffee will be provided for the day, but please bring your own packed lunch. Everyone is welcome, and please feel able to join in the day at any time. No booking is required.

THE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Bishop Alan will lead the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 24 - 29th July; a time to pray at the Grotto of Our Lady and enjoy the opportunities of this experience. You can book now on-line at: www.tangney-tours.com/brentwood For further information, please phone Cathy O’Connor on 01206 735623.

LATE VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD A vocation discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 will take place at St Beuno’s in North Wales from Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th September 2022. The direct link for further details and booking: Discernment Weekend https://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/discernment-weekend-older-men-2

BCYS YOUTH GATHER will take place from 22nd - 23rd October, Mersea Island. Stay in cabins and try a brilliant range of outward-bound activities from climbing high ropes, archery, zip wires and much more to keep you challenged and entertained, with guest speakers and workshops which will give you fresh insights into yourself, and your faith, by telling their stories. Open to all those in years 9 and above, book NOW at www.bcys.net/events

VACANCY for a Choral Director- The Diocese of Brentwood. We are seeking to appoint a Choral Director, this is a new and exciting post which is part of the National School Singing Programme. For an informal discussion about the post, please contact Andrew Wright, Director of Music by email at: music@dioceseofbrentwood.org Further information and Application Form can be found on the following link: https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/NSSP-Choral-Director-Application-Pack-002.pdf. Please send a supporting statement of no more than two A4 pages (font size 11 minimum) which outlines:

- Why you are a suitable candidate for the post;
- Your motivations for applying;
- The aspects of the job description which particularly attract you to the post;

These documents should be returned by email to recruitment@dioceseofbrentwood.org The closing date for applications is 12 noon on Monday 4th July 2022.

VACANCY: Midday Assistant 11.45 a.m.-1.00 p.m. (term time only). The governors, staff, and parents of St Helen’s Catholic Infant School are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and well-motivated person to join us in September 2022. 11.45am -1.00 p.m. (term time only). Please contact Mrs Onslow via the school office for further information. Deadline: 12pm - Friday 1st July 2022.

LEADERSHIP VACANCIES IN DIOCESAN SCHOOLS Details of all positions can be found at the following link https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/

VINCENTIAN VOLUNTEERS are Catholic young people aged 18-35, from all over the world, who commit a year of their lives to the service of vulnerable people. During their year with us, they live in a community of three or four people and engage in voluntary work in partnership with other, well known charity organisations in order to help the impoverished, the homeless, the disabled, refugees and those suffering with addictions
within the local community. We are still recruiting for 2022/23 (September 2022 to July 2023) for more details visit https://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk/

QR CODES and CONTACTLESS GIVING A new online donation system has been set up so that parishioners and visitors are now able to donate by using a QR code directly to the Parish; donations can be made either with or without gift aid using the QR codes below or by scanning those displayed around the Cathedral:

Please treat as gift aid donation, all qualifying gifts of money made from the date of this declaration I am a UK taxpayer and understand that, if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current year then the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations, it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

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