TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)
Sunday 22nd September 2019

Jesus said –

No servant can be the slave of two masters ~

You cannot be the slave of both GOD and of money

SUNDAY MASS
Holy Cross: 6.30 p.m. (Vigil)
Cathedral: 8.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m. (Family Mass), 11.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS
Cathedral: 9.15 a.m.

Mass Times, Mass Intentions, Cathedral Diary and Anniversaries for each week can be found on the noticeboard in the Cathedral narthex and at the back of Holy Cross and on also the parish website.

Thank you for the collection on: 8th September: £3,715.21 of which £2,583.77 was Gift Aided; also for the second collection for the Catholic Education Service: £535.36 of which £116.00 was Gift Aided. Also for the collection on: 15th September: £3,489.58 of which £2,593.03 was Gift Aided.
Thank you for your generosity, and for your support of the parish.

Welcome to Edwin Fawcett and his musicians who join our Flash Mob choir at the 9.30 a.m. Mass. Edwin is a highly respected and internationally known composer and musician. Some of his inspiring worship music will be on sale after Mass. https://www.edwinfawcett.com/

Coffee after 9.30 a.m. Mass today will be hosted by the Brownies; next week will be the turn of the Catenians. Why not come along and join us for a cuppa and a chat?

Fr Patrick’s Farewell Mass Please join us to say farewell to Fr Patrick at the 6.30 p.m. Mass on Sunday 29th September which will be followed by a reception and presentation in the Parish Hall.

We are still looking for additional helpers for the refreshments for Fr Patrick’s Farewell Reception on 29th September (from 4.30 p.m.). If you are able to help with this, please call Roisin on 07845 120310. Thank you.

If you have not yet donated to Fr Patrick’s farewell gift and would like to do so, please hand in your gift at the office. If you are a tax payer, you can Gift Aid your donation – see special Fr Patrick Farewell Gift Aid envelopes in the narthex and at the back of Holy Cross.

The Ever-Popular Race Night is back – PACE (Parish and Communities Events team) are hosting a family Race Night on Saturday 12th October at 6.30 p.m. in the parish Hall to raise money for Caritas Anchor House which works with the homeless https://www.caritasanchorhouse.org.uk/.

Tickets, horses and races will be available to purchase after Mass this weekend and on the next two Sundays (29th September and 6th October). Bring your own food and drink. Email brentwoodpace@gmail.com for any enquiries.

Holy Hour of Silent Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Monday from 7.30 – 8.30 p.m.

Choral Vespers is celebrated in the Cathedral on Wednesdays at 6.30 p.m. and Fridays at 6.15 p.m. (during term time only). All are welcome.
MOTHERS PRAYERS are held fortnightly; our next meeting will be next Wednesday 18th September at 10.00 a.m. in Clergy House. All are very welcome.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP) FESTIVAL The annual SVP Festival will be held in the Cathedral today Sunday 22nd September commencing with Mass at 2.00 p.m. followed by speakers who will talk about the work of the SVP. Refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards. All welcome, please do come along.

LOVE IN ACTION GROUP promotes the social teaching of the Church in our parish community. This group will meet on the last Wednesday of every month at 7.30 p.m. in the Cathedral Conference Centre; the next meeting will be this Wednesday 25th September. If you are interested in practical ways of living your faith and helping those most in need, please come along.

JOURNEY IN FAITH 2019-20 PROGRAMME We will be having our Welcome Supper and Introduction to the Course this Thursday 26th September at 7.30 p.m. in Clergy House.

Have you, or someone you know, ever thought of becoming a Catholic? Would you like to find out more about the Catholic Faith? Are you planning to marry a Catholic or are you married to a Catholic and want to have a better understanding of what they believe? Are you baptised but, for some reason, have never received the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion or Confirmation?

If you have answered “yes” to any of the above questions then The Journey in Faith programme is designed to help you reflect in an adult fashion on the Catholic Faith; please do put your details on the sign-up sheet in the narthex or in the porch at Holy Cross and come along and join us. Please visit the following link http://www.cathedral-brentwood.org/blog-2/rcia-a/ for full details of the course.

MILLENNIALS “THINKING FAITH” GROUP is for anyone aged 18 – 40 who wants to deepen their Catholic Faith; pray with and meet other Catholics in the parish. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd October in Clergy House from 7.30 – 9.00 p.m. All millennials are welcome. Just show up.

"ALL ARE WELCOME” On Friday 4th October, and then on the first Friday of each month*, between 1.00 p.m. and 3.00 p.m., come along to the small parish hall for a drink and something sweet. Relax, chat and meet friends, old and new. ALL ARE WELCOME from parents/carers with babies to those who are retired, parishioner or not. There will be an area for young children with a few books and toys. Bring along a guest too. It won't cost you a penny. If you have any questions, would like to be involved or need a lift, please contact us: cathedrallallarewelcome@gmail.com or call 07941 471503. (*December will be on Thursday 19th instead)

AFTERNOON VINTAGE TEA A lovely afternoon is promised with a raffle with gorgeous treats and items to purchase on Sunday 6th October from 3.30 – 6.00 p.m. – why not come along and join us? Tickets will be on sale from this weekend and will be available to purchase from Patricia Whiteley by email smithy40@btopenworld.com or phone 07970 460918 for this hugely popular event; tickets are £18 each and this includes a glass of fizz on arrival and a selection of delicious sandwiches and homemade cakes and scones. Go on, spoil yourself! For further information, please contact Patricia as above.

ARE YOU INTERESTED in finding out more about our speakers for the ‘BE INSPIRED’ parish event on Thursday 10th October, organised by the Love in Action group?

Over the next few weeks, we will be introducing our panel; we are happy to now introduce our next speaker Libby Abbot. Libby is a Campaigns Officer at CAFOD. She takes a leading role in delivering CAFOD’s campaigns, in particular the ‘Our Common Home’ campaign, and runs the ‘Climate Champion’ scheme where she works closely with young adults to encourage them to take action on climate change. Libby is also responsible for managing and organising events such as ‘The Time is Now’ mass lobby, which was the biggest lobby the UK has ever seen. She also engages with CAFOD’s international partners - she most recently met with Caritas Fiji to discuss their natural disaster preparedness. Libby will talk about the ‘Our Common Home’ campaign and will share the many ways parishioners can get involved. She will also talk about her time in Fiji and how climate change is affecting the most vulnerable in society. Find out more on the Cathedral website from the Love in Action page by clicking on Details under our REIMAGINE OUR COMMON HOME poster. Green Guardians, the newly formed parish group which is part of Love in Action, is organising this event. For more information, email us at greenbrentwoodcathedral@gmail.com.

A NEW MUSIC GROUP ‘PS150’ has been formed to play at the 9.30 a.m. Sunday Mass on the third Sunday of every month. They will play next on Sunday 13th October. What does PS150 mean? It refers to Psalm 150:

1 Praise God in his sanctuary...
3 Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet;
    praise him with the harp and lyre,
4 praise him with timbrel and dancing,
    praise him with the strings and pipe,
5 praise him with the clash of cymbals...
6 Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.
Praise the LORD.

We are looking for adults who play instruments or enjoy singing to join the new ‘PS150’ group and help enrich and strengthen the music at this Mass. If you are
interested in joining the group, please speak to Sarah Conrad or email her on sarahconrad@hotmail.co.uk.

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOtW) We are delighted that Children’s Liturgy has now recommenced at the 9.30 a.m. Mass. Our CLOtW meet as a single group in the Conference Centre and is for children from pre-school age (3-4 years) up to and including Year 2 children. Just as parents do at school, we would encourage parents to leave their children with the liturgy leaders for the celebration of God’s word but we do understand that parents might want to help them settle into the groups over the first few weeks. We also understand that there may be some children with particular needs that require a parent to be with them and, of course, that is perfectly acceptable. If parents do come into the session, please sit with your child and participate with them in the celebration of God’s living word.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS APPLICATIONS. If you are going to apply for a primary or secondary Catholic school with your child starting in September 2020 or September 2021, please make sure that:

a) you have a Mass registration card. You can pick one up from the Cathedral narthex and at the back of Holy Cross.

b) ensure you have it signed at the end of Sunday Mass by one of the clergy.

c) ensure your name is clearly on it and that you keep it safe.

d) if you are going to apply for a non-Catholic school that requires Fr Martin to confirm your practice then please use the Mass registration card. Please note that if you plan to send your daughter or son to the Brentwood Ursuline High School that you do not now require a Certificate of Catholic Practice from Fr Martin for this school.

You will need to bring this Mass registration card with you when you are due to collect your Certificate of Catholic Practice. This will clearly show your practice for the last twelve months. Fr Martin will be available only at the following times in Clergy House to see parents who are known to him and who are practicing their faith every Sunday; there will be no need to make an appointment:

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Please ensure you make a note of these dates in your diaries.

BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL CAR PARK is for people who are praying or attending services in the Cathedral and those who have business in the Cathedral offices or who are attending meetings. Sadly, this has been abused by many people who use the car park as a convenient parking spot for the High Street or who even leave their cars and go off to work. Sadly, when challenged about parking, some of these people have been verbally abusive and threatening.

In recent months, we have employed people to man the main entrance to the Cathedral car park on a Saturday morning from 8.00 a.m. – 12 noon. This has ensured that people who are attending a sacramental celebration such as Mass, a baptism or a wedding can park easily. Also, those who are attending a meeting or conference have use of the car park. This trial has worked well and has deterred shoppers and others from parking here.

From September to December, we are going to trial a similar system on weekdays. People who are not using the Cathedral, the Cathedral offices or halls will be issued with an initial warning and their license plate number will be recorded. If they park here again, they will be issued with a £100 fine through a Car Park monitoring company.

If you regularly attend Morning Mass and come by car, it would be helpful to have a note of your license plate number in order to ensure that you do not receive a warning notice. If you are happy to do so, please pass it on to Mo, the parish secretary.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Please pray for all our sick and housebound parishioners and friends, including: Bridget Barron, Phil Carr, David, Patricia Decup, Julian Goode, Concetta Hall, Ann Hurcombe, Wong Su Hwa, Jess, Brian Kelleher, Veronica Kelleher, Lawrence, Tony Maule, Dennis Menezes, Kath Murnane, Michael Murphy, Harry Newman, Barney O'Driscoll, Siobhan O'Leary, Steven Poole, Anne Rowe, Helena Rowe, Robin Shenton, Tim, TCT, Louisa Whiteman, and all our sick in Marillac, Mascalls, Brentwood Community, The Beeches, Queens, Nuffield and Hartwood Hospitals and St Francis Hospice.

THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK is available to anyone who is gravely ill or about to have an operation. If you would like to receive this sacrament then please speak to a member of the clergy or ring the office on 265235.

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 we can add them to our Sick visits list.
GENERAL NEWS

BRENTWOOD URSULINE CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL Year 7 Open Evening – Tuesday 24th September – 6.30 – 9.00 p.m. with Headteacher’s talks at 6.30 and 7.30 p.m. Open mornings on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th September from 9.30 – 11.00 a.m. (by appointment only).

THE CAMPION SCHOOL OPEN EVENING concerning admission of boys who will be eleven years old during the current academic year will be held at the school (Wingletye Lane, Hornchurch) on Thursday 26th September, 2019. The evening will start at 6.00 p.m. For further details please see thecampionschool.org.uk.

ESSEX RECUSANT SOCIETY (Brentwood Diocesan Historical Society): the next meeting will take place at The Grange, 93 Queens Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4EY, on Saturday 28th September at 2.30 p.m. Father Bob White of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham (and formerly Vicar of St Thomas of Canterbury, Brentwood) will speak on ‘From Anglicanism to Catholicism.’ All are most welcome.

SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT ‘SILENCE & THE SCRIPTURES’. Friday 11th – Sunday 13th October 2019. Led by Canon David Oakley, Rector of Oscott Seminary. Venue: Sion Community, Brentwood. Our theme flows from the Bishops of England and Wales announcing 2020 as a year of celebrating, living and sharing God’s word in celebration of two important anniversaries in the life of the Church this coming year. This silent weekend retreat offers us the opportunity to spend time with the Lord in quiet prayer and reflection. 40 HOURS of CONTINUOUS Adoration, guidance & ministry included. For more information or to book, email allegra.mutanda@gmail.com or call 0790 3648639. Alternatively, e-mail admin@sioncommunity.org.uk or call 01277 215011.

STUDY DAY ON THE BOOK OF GENESIS The ‘Year of the God who Speaks’, which runs from 2019-2020, is promoted by the Bishops of England and Wales. Bishop Alan Williams will open the Year at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Brentwood Road, Gidea Park (RM2 6DH) at 10.30 – 3.00 pm on Saturday 12th October. The main part of the day will be dedicated to two talks by Fr Adrian Graffy entitled ‘Beginning with Genesis’, which will provide a fresh reading of the opening chapters of the Book of Genesis.

COME AND SING COMPLINE BY CANDLELIGHT A candlelit service of music and prayers on the Feast of St. Luke based on the liturgy used for centuries by monastic communities. A serene and contemplative end to the bustle of the day in psalmody and hymnody at Corpus Christi, Collier Row, RMS 2AP on 18th October, 2019 Come and sing with us (Rehearsal time 7.30 p.m.) or join us for the service (9 p.m.) Rehearsal Time: 7.30 p.m. Musical director is James Davy and there will be a retiring Collection. For further information or to book if singing please contact Shirley Timmins by e mail to shirleytimmins@btinternet.com or leave a message on the answerphone 01277 233302. Or book on the RSCM Website rscm-eel.org.

YOUTH GATHER 2019 BCYS Youth Gather, Mersea Island, 26th-27th October 2019 (half term weekend). The Youth Gather is for anyone is school year 9-13, and includes a mix of inspiring speakers, reflection and prayer, together with outward bound activities like zip wires, high ropes and climbing walls. The cost of £50 includes coach from Stratford, Romford, Basildon, Brentwood, Chelmsford or Southend, as well as all meals and activities. Full details and online booking at https://bcys/events/youth-gather-2019/

LIFT UP YOUR VOICE! Our Lady of Lourdes, Cambridge Park, Wanstead, E11 2PR from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Registration from 7 p.m. Tuesday, 29th October 2019. Cost £7.50. This is a short course led by RSCM’s Stuart Robinson aimed at those perhaps without trained organists, substantial choirs or worship bands; in short anyone with limited musical resources or needing of can-do and encouragement. Above all we will demonstrate techniques for teaching all sorts of new music to your parishioners in a simple and achievable way. Book on line at rscm-eel.org.uk, or e mail shirleytimmins@btinternet.com or leave a message on 01277 233302 and we’ll get back to you.

VACANCY St Helen’s Junior School are seeking a Kitchen Assistant – Band 1 - NPS 1- 3 (£4,015 - £4,172 per annum) to join their catering team working 2 hours a day (10 hours per week) from 12:00 to 2.00pm 5 days per week, term time only. Also a Cleaner - Band 1 - NPS 3 (£4,946 per annum); this position is for 10 hours per week term time and working one week during the Easter holiday and two weeks during the summer holidays to carry out deep clean. Application forms can be downloaded from www.catholiceducation.org.uk and can be found under the heading Employment Documents. Closing date: Friday 27th September 2019

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN’S SOCIETY is pleased to announce that it will be holding a Christmas Craft and Gift Fair at Mill Hall, Rayleigh on Sunday 3rd November 10.30-4.00 p.m. Admission is only £1.50 and free for children under 14. If you are interested in having a stall at the event to sell your crafts or Christmas goodies, these are charged at £27. Please contact Libby if you are interested in being one of our stallholders: lphillips@bccs.org.uk.

The Brentwood Diocesan Trust – Registered Charity No. 234092
SERVICE TIMES, MASS INTENTIONS and PARISH DIARY

Saturday 21st September through to Sunday 29th September 2019

Saturday
ST MATTHEW, Ap
21 September
9.15 a.m. Cathedral George and Michael Rossiter R.I.P.
9.15 a.m. Halls First Holy Communion Programme – Session 1
11.00 – 12 Noon Cathedral Sacrament of Reconciliation
12.30 p.m. Cathedral Nuptial Mass for the marriage of Nadia Yousif and Gearoid O’Laioithe
6.30 p.m. Holy Cross People of the Parish

Sunday
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)
22 September
8.00 a.m. Cathedral Tom Carr R.I.P.
9.30 a.m. Cathedral Mgr Sean Flanagan R.I.P.
10.00 a.m. Marillac Bridie McManus R.I.P.
11.30 a.m. Cathedral Intentions of the Nuttall Family
2.00 p.m. Cathedral St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Mass and Festival
4.00 p.m. Conf Centre Baptism Preparation Course (1 of 5)
6.30 p.m. Cathedral Alphonse Apicella R.I.P.

Monday
St Pius of Pietreicina, Pr (Padre Pio)
23 September
9.15 a.m. Cathedral Intentions of Deacon Quentin and Valerie Halls
7.30 p.m. Cathedral Holy Hour and Exposition

Tuesday
Our Lady of Walsingham
24 September
9.15 a.m. Cathedral Deceased members of the Ball Family R.I.P.
7.30 p.m. Clergy Hse Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday
25 September
9.15 a.m. Cathedral Mgr Sean Flanagan R.I.P.
5.00 p.m. Cathedral Violin Recital
6.30 p.m. Cathedral Choral Vespers
7.30 p.m. Conf Centre Love In Action Meeting

Thursday
26 September
9.15 a.m. Cathedral Tom and Ellen Gilham R.I.P.
5.30 p.m. Grange Marie-Luise Steven R.I.P.
8.00 p.m. Clergy Hse Journey In Faith Welcome Supper and Meeting

Friday
St Vincent de Paul, Pr
27 September
9.15 a.m. Cathedral Gina and Pierino Cavellini R.I.P.
5.00 p.m. Cathedral Organ Recording
6.15 p.m. Cathedral Choral Vespers

Saturday
28 September
9.15 a.m. Cathedral Bridget Herron R.I.P.
11.00 – 12 Noon Cathedral Sacrament of Reconciliation
12.00 noon Cathedral Mass for the Legion of Mary
12.30 p.m. Holy Cross Nuptial Mass for the marriage of Helen Callery and David Belda
6.30 p.m. Holy Cross Pat Hawser R.I.P.

Sunday
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) (The Harvest)
29 September
8.00 a.m. Cathedral Mary Boyce R.I.P.
9.30 a.m. Cathedral Jo Wadsworth R.I.P.
10.00 a.m. Marillac Intentions of the Allum, Hamer, Wong and Olsen Families and John Eames
11.30 a.m. Cathedral Kathleen Kenny R.I.P.
4.00 p.m. Conf Centre Baptism Preparation Course (2 of 5)
6.30 p.m. Cathedral People of the Parish

ANNIVERSARIES
BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL and HOLY CROSS

Saturday 21st September through to Sunday 29th September 2019

CATHEDRAL ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember the following, whose anniversaries occur at this time: Michael McDermott, Wally Moreton, John Ball, James O’Reilly, Margaret Bingham, Joseph Hartshorne, Barbara Collins, Kathleen Higgs, Alan Deery, George Rossiter, Robert Gow, Rosina Sewell, Ita Finnerity, Alan Deery, Stanley Kasprzak, Benny D’Cruz, Ellen Mary Bradley, Sarah Lambert, Catherine Wisely, Jim Smith, Anne Mannion, Catherine Gurhy, Mr Fowler, Florence Cross, Dominique Coughlin, Brenda Moran, Quan Power, Joseph Robinson, Kathleen Tangney, Peter O’Connell, Emma Short, Edward Linane, Mary Stack, Mary Nathan, William Deasy,
Emily Booth, Eileen Dineen, Thomas Caden, Norman Archard, Tim Powell, Len Dawkins, Marie Brand, Florence Cowan, Patrick Hogan, T A Eldridge, Sister Brigid McDonald, Margaret Barker, Richard Peelo, Matt Collins, Bridget Herron, Roland Millett, Brenda Moran, Philomena Daly, Jo Wadsworth, Mary Belcher, Margaret Cockerell, Susan Coogan, Tudor Gibbon, Eileen Mitchell, Patrick Driscoll, Arthur Clarke, Bernard McMillan, Kathleen Kenny, May Murphy and Maria Pennell-Buck.

**HOLY CROSS ANNIVERSARIES:** Please remember the following, whose anniversaries occur at this time: Teresa Jimenez, Ivy Lafferty, Bridget Meaney, Patrick Hogan, Joan Nolan, Margaret Mary Cockerell, Paddy Browne, Peggy Kerr and Hugh Duffy.