

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

Parish News

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**PENTECOST
SUNDAY:**

Sunday 20th May

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 5TH/6TH MAY: Envelopes: £653.84. Loose Plate: £499.69. Gift Aid Standing Orders: £533.79. Total: £1,687.32. Thank you.

SICK PARISHIONERS: Those of our parishioners and friends who have asked for prayers: Mary Rooney, Peter Beard, Frankie Gall, Maria Hoefft, Megan Delaney, Marie Day, Barbara Mansell, Mary Delaney, Sandra Gilbert, Frances Weaver, Mary McGrath, Janet Cash, Rachel Stokes, Isaac Barry, Maria Wray, Barbara Brabon and Margaret Butler.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Blackmur, Erika Peagram, Maria Castellazzi, Maria Sarnicka, Violet Amos, John Fahy, Anthony De Souza, Tony Geary, Kevin McClements, Gina Hiskett, Adam Kodz, Peter Fitzsimmons, Rose Donlon, Alan Ellis, Dympna Patten, Cyril Swift and David Kershaw. May they all rest in peace.

REFRESHMENTS: Will be provided after the **9.00am** and **11.00am** Sunday Masses.

RETIRING COLLECTION: There will be a collection on **12th/13th May** for **World Communications Day**. Pope Francis speaks of journalists as ‘the protectors of news’ - their task is ‘not just a job; it is a mission’. He reminds us that persons are at the heart of information, that informing others means forming others; ‘that is why ensuring the accuracy of sources and protecting communication are real means of promoting goodness, generating trust, and opening the way to communion and peace.’ Gift-aiders please use your envelope.

BAPTISMS: We welcome **Edith Florence Burgess**, daughter of Lauren and Richard, and **Ethan Daniel Corr**, son of Amanda and Daniel. May God bless them both at this special time.

MASS CHANGES: Mass will be said on **Monday 14th May**. There will be a Communion Service on **Wednesday 16th May**. Mass on **Thursday 17th May** will be at **9.00am**. Please note there will be a Communion Service all week from **Monday 21st May** to **Saturday 26th May** (9.30am). There won't be any Confessions on **Saturday 26th May**.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN: We welcome the children and their families to Mass on **Sunday 13th May**, at the **9.00am** Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING: Please note we have had to change the date of the next parents' meeting from **Thursday 10th May** to **Thursday 17th May**. **7.30pm**. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

FRIDAY COFFEE MORNINGS: Next one: **18th May**, after **9.30am** Mass.

CONFIRMATION: We offer our congratulations to the Confirmation Candidates who will be Confirmed on **Pentecost Sunday**. We thank our Catechist, Sharon Mussett, for all her hard work and time spent in preparing the girls for this special Sacrament.

FOODBANK: Thank you for all your continuing support with items for the FoodBank. Latest shopping lists are available at the back of church.

OPEN GARDEN FOR CHURCH FUNDS: The Alpha Group and friends will be holding an Open Garden on **Saturday 26th May** between **2.00pm and 4.00pm** at 9 Rosemary Avenue, Braintree, CM7 2SZ. Come and enjoy a cuppa and cake, and support our Parish. For more information, or to offer help, please contact Kate on 07967796227.

OLQP ALPHA: Session 4 “ How can I have faith?” and Session 5 “Why and How do I pray?” will take place in the Jubilee Hall from **11.45am to 2.00pm** on **Saturdays 12th and 19th May**. More details from Kate on 07967796227.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: Saturday 26th May. The Parish is not running a coach this year but if anyone is interested in going, please contact Graham via email cgm123@hotmail.co.uk, by **Tuesday 15th May** at the latest.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE: Every year, Bishop Alan, invites married couples to this special Mass, held in Brentwood Cathedral. Our Parish has received four invitations for us to pass onto couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries, recently married couples or couples preparing for marriage. If this applies to you and you would like further information, please contact Sue in the office.

BRENTWOOD DIOCESE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: With Bishop Alan. Flying from Stansted on **Monday 23rd July** and returning **Saturday 28th July**. For information please telephone Tangney Tours on 01732 886666.

THY KINGDOM COME INITIATIVE: Communal Prayer. There will be a 24/7 prayer room at The Hut, BYPC, St Michael’s Road between **13th and 18th May** inclusive. Visit: <https://www.24-7prayer.com/signup/813cd3> for more information.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: There will be a short prayer meeting for the work of Operation Christmas Child, at the Baptist Church, Braintree, on **Wednesday 16th May**, at **2.30pm**, in the small hall.

ESSENTIAL AID CONTAINER FOR SYRIA: The Chelmsford Muslim Society are sending a 40ft container to Syria and are appealing to local churches to help fill it. There is a drop-off centre at the Braintree Islamic Centre on Silks Way, CM7 3GB, between **12th May and 19th May** at **1.00pm**. Contact Imam Kashif on 07853086903. Food items required are: rice, pasta, bulgur wheat, chickpeas, kidney beans, tinned fruit, dates, spices, honey, sweets, oil and water/juices. Any support is most appreciated.

OUR SCHOOLS:

St Francis Primary School

Gilchrist Way, Braintree, CM7 2SY

Headteacher: Vicky Jackson

01376 320440

www.stfrancisbraintree.co.uk

St John Payne Secondary School

Patching Hall Lane, Chelmsford, CM1 4BS

Headteacher: Anthony Schular

01245 256030 / www.sjp.essex.sch.uk

COUNTERS OF COLLECTION

6th/13th May Wetton/Hull

20th/27th May Sewell

CHURCH CLEANERS

W/c 14th May Matthewman/Smith

W/c 21st May McKay/Leyden

W/c 28th May Crush

FRIDAY COFFEE MORNING

18th May Kiddle/Norton

1st June Seward/Paul

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Saturday 12th May - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Spiritual Welfare of the Franciscan Community, Braintree Convent (Foundation Mass)
Sunday 13th May SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)	9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Pat Crush RIP (A) and Anneliese Bushnell RIP (Crush)
Monday 14th May ST MATTHIAS	9.30am	
Tuesday 15th May	9.30am	
Wednesday 16th May	9.30am	Communion Service
Thursday 17th May	9.00am	Anthony De Souza RIP (A) and Ints Colleen De Souza (Matthewman)
Friday 18th May	9.30am	Eileen Doyle RIP (Doyle)
Saturday 19th May	9.30am	
Saturday 19th May - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Ints Belinda, Nicola and Jason (Rushton)
Sunday 20th May PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)	9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Shirley Corcoran RIP (A) and Albert Charman RIP (Nolan)
Monday 21st May	9.30am	Communion Service
Tuesday 22nd May	9.30am	Communion Service
Wednesday 23rd May	9.30am	Communion Service
Thursday 24th May	9.30am	Communion Service
Friday 25th May St Bede the Venerable	9.30am	Communion Service
Saturday 26th May St Philip Neri	9.30am	NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE
Saturday 26th May - Vigil Mass	6.00pm	Dympna Patten RIP (A) (Higgins)
Sunday 27th May THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (B)	9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Sister Vincent RIP (Cleary)

CONFESSIONS IN CHURCH ON SATURDAY - 10.00-10.30AM (apart from 26th May)

Rosary	Church	Monday (except Bank Holidays)	8.00pm
Women's Group	Jubilee Hall	Thursday 17th May	2.00-4.00pm
Faith Group	Jubilee Hall	Tuesday 15th May	7.30pm
Youth Club	Jubilee Hall	Friday 18th May	7.30pm