



## † May they Rest In Peace †

Please pray for the departed whose anniversaries occur around now.

6th to 12th May: Canon Brian Grady, Fr. Augustine Davidson, Mgr. Canon John Howell, Fr. John Boyle, Fr. Stanley Joynes, Fr. James Hathaway, John Cleary, Edward Tibbs, Michael O'Conner, Michael Doe, Mary O'Sullivan, James Moor, Josephine O'Connor, John Trowse, Minnie Bridge, Frederick Munt, Kathleen McDonnell, Leonard Cooling, Charlie McLaughlin, William Bragg, Terry Cane, Mary Stapleton, Paul Vallance, John Cassell, J. Iwandwski, Frederick Mason, Amilia Willmer, Thomas Goldie, Constance Holder, David Barry, Gladys Player, Joseph Kennedy, George Harding, Albert King, Douglas Poulton, Gerard Batt, Stanley Finch, Sean Ryan, Edward Norkett, Elizabeth Keen, John Hayes, Glyn Jenkins, Jack, John & Mary Keogh, Mary Gent and Mary Moore.

13th to 19th May: Fr. James McCormack, Fr. John William Hayes, Canon Thomas Clarke, Theresa Oakley, Margaret Ryan, Constance Newton, George McNeill, Lillian Mason, Margaret Pender, Gilbert Affleck, Baby Kaspar Halpin, John Glover, Josephine Leonard, Sophie Moore, William Johnston, Jill Hemon, Tom Scannell, Alice Pullinger, Robert Frost, William Gent, Pat Myall, Louise Berry, Winifred Wood, Rufus Blacknell, Thommy Fyres, Michael Hunt, Teresa Martin, Anthony Roberts, Reg Emery, Margaret Spinage, Augustine Galloway and Edward Fagan.

† May their Souls and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed,  
Rest in Peace †

(To add a name to the Anniversary Book please contact the parish office),



NEWSLETTER FOR

## Holy Family, Benfleet

661 High Road, Benfleet, SS7 5SF

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with **St. Thomas More, Hadleigh**

Priest in Charge: Rev. Dr. Eduard-William Fartan

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# Love

ONE ANOTHER

AS I HAVE

# loved you

JOHN 13:34

**SIXTH  
SUNDAY  
OF  
EASTER (B)  
6TH MAY  
2018**

**SEVENTH  
SUNDAY  
OF  
EASTER (B)  
13TH MAY  
2018**

*As you sent me  
INTO THE WORLD,  
I have sent them  
INTO THE WORLD*

JOHN 17:18

## Parish Office

Open - 9.30am to 4pm on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

01268 799649 (Closed until 16th May)

Email: [office@holyfamily-church.org](mailto:office@holyfamily-church.org)

**Youth Contact: David Hart: email:**

[youthvision@holyfamily-church.org](mailto:youthvision@holyfamily-church.org)

## Hall Bookings

*St John Bosco Hall (Benfleet)*

*St. Thomas More Hall (Hadleigh)*

01268 799649 (Parish Office)

Holy Family parish is  
twinned with Ezakheni  
Parish in South Africa

Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Kents Hill Road, Benfleet, SS7 5PX

Tel: 01268 792231

Headteacher: Mr. Peter O'Kane. Deputy: Mrs Noreen Hurley



## Congratulations to EMILY MARGARET MARCH

who was baptised recently.

May God Bless her and her family as they grow in  
His knowledge.

### 6th to 12th May

The Holy Family Sacred Heart Candle burns for the Donor's Intention

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The Holy Family Tabernacle Candle burns for the Intentions of the Glover family

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### 13th to 19th May

The Holy Family Our Lady Candle burns for

The Intentions of Kath Cassidy-Benson

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The Holy Family Tabernacle Candle burns In Loving Memory of Fr. Jim.



Sponsorship of Sanctuary Candles in either church - £5 - use the special envelopes

**Foreign Currency** Please donate any left over foreign currency to the parish. Please put it in the box provided in the lobby or hand to the Sacristan on duty. **Please do not put it in the collection.** Thanks

**100 Club** Those who pay by cash or cheque are reminded that their annual payment of **£12 a share** is due. We would like to keep the prize money at £100 at least each month. To do this we will need to have more members. Please contact either Margaret or Adrian on 01268 753740 to arrange payment or to join the club.

**Gift Aid** If you would like a letter from the parish stating how much you have donated to the parish during the last financial year, either for tax purposes or out of interest, please call or email the parish office. 01268 799649 [office@holyfamily-church.org](mailto:office@holyfamily-church.org)

**A date for your diary - Music for a Spring Bank Holiday** - 7:45pm on Saturday 26th May at The Most Holy Redeemer, Laindon Rd, Billericay CM12 9LL The Most Holy Redeemer Singers present a concert featuring Emma Gibbins (Director of Music ~ Newport Cathedral) playing the Makin Organ in the Church. The first half will be choral with some familiar classics and the second half will be an organ recital by Emma. Entry will be free - there will be a retiring collection in aid of St Luke's Hospice.

**ST PETERS PRIMARY SCHOOL DAGENHAM** - Midday Day Supervisor required, Please contact school for application pack on Tel. 0208 270 6524. Closing date 21 May 2018. [www.st-peter.bardagea.org.uk](http://www.st-peter.bardagea.org.uk)

**GK Chesterton Talk** by Canon John Udris who is investigating the Cause for his Beatification. 7-9pm, 14th June 2018, the 82nd anniversary of GK's death. For a free ticket telephone The Centre for Catholic Formation 020 8672 7684. 21 Tooting Bec Road, London, England, SW17 8BS.

**CATHOLICS AND THE BIBLE** On Saturday 26th May from 11 am until 3 pm there will be a study day at Christ the Eternal High Priest Church, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. The speaker will be Hungarian biblical scholar Fr Levente Balazs Martos, member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission. The study day will commemorate 75 years since the promulgation of the encyclical of Pius XII, *Divino Afflante Spiritu*, on the Church and the Bible. The afternoon will be dedicated to a panel discussion with Fr Levente, Fr Adrian Graffy and Fleur Dorrell from the Catholic Bishops' Conference. The event is free of charge. Please book by email to [GPstudydays@gmail.com](mailto:GPstudydays@gmail.com)

**Oberammergau Passion Play 2020** Date 6th September 2020, 5 days in Austrian Lake District, half board 1 day and 1 night in Oberammergau £1,239. Cost includes Flights, 4 tours in Austria, Passion Play, 3 course meal in the interval. Bookings made through Lee Robinson 01277 652358. All details of this tour can be found on [www.tailored-travel.co.uk](http://www.tailored-travel.co.uk) quote mhrp201

# POPE FRANCIS' MESSAGE FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY 2018



**Diocesan Retiring Collection - World Communications Day** There will be a Diocesan Retiring Collection for this over the weekend of 12th/13th May. In his message for World Communications Day 2018, Pope Francis speaks of journalists as “the protectors of news”. That 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.” On this World Communications Day, we pray for those who work in the media and also for the valuable work carried out on our behalf by the Communications Office of the Bishops’ Conference. Working with journalists across both national and international media outlets, it provides a professional news service to the Church and to the world. Please help them continue this work through contributing generously to the collection on the day. Some Prayer cards for the day are available.

Offertory Collection Figures				
The Brentwood Diocesan Trust - Reg. Charity No. 234092 <i>Gift aid it! Please!</i>				
Date	2018	2017	2016	Attendance
28/29 April	£737.36	£810.70	£834.53	220 plus 38 children

## HOLY FAMILY CHURCH - ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION 12th May 2018

**Food Revolution/Bring Nonna Back** Parents/Grandparents/Carers and children (must be accompanied by an adult) are invited to come and prepare **FOCACCIA AL POMODODO/CIPOLLA** (homemade Focaccia bread with tomatoes and onions); **PASTA AL SUGO SEMPLICE** (Pasta with tomato sauce) and **INSALATA AL TONNO E FAGIOLI** (cannellini beans salad with tuna) in the Holy Family hall from 10.30am until 12.30pm. The meal is suitable for vegetarians and apart from the bread is gluten free. If you want to reserve your places on this cookery class or would like more information please contact Lara on 07817 770 049.

**Coffee Evening** after the 6pm Mass. Please join us. We request donations from parishioners towards this celebration, of sandwiches, cakes, snacks, crisps, wine, soft drinks etc. There will be a note book in the entrance hall for parishioners to write down what they are going to bring, that way we will have an idea of quantities. Any queries? Please contact Denis on 01268 455034.

**The Funeral Service** for Peter Rigden RIP will take place in St. Thomas More Church on Friday 18th May at 10.00am followed by burial at Sutton Road Cemetery at 11.45am.

**Please** hold on to your copy of this newsletter as it will serve two weeks. The parish office will be closed until Wednesday, 16th May.

**The Ascension of the Lord** The Ascension is a Holyday of Obligation and this year falls on Thursday, 10th May. See the Mass schedule for times of Masses in the parish to enable you to fulfil your obligation. Please note the other changes to the schedule.

**Youth Club** The parish youth club ‘Give it a go’ will meet after the 6pm Mass on 5th May. All those in school year 7, 8 and 9 welcome.

**First Holy Communion Mass** - The preparation classes for the children preparing for the First Holy Communion are nearly complete. The actual Mass where the children receive the Eucharist for the first time will be on 20th May at 10am. All parishioners are welcome but the Mass will be very crowded with the family and friends of the twenty two children. Each family will have a bench reserved for them. If you normally attend this Mass you may wish to consider attending one of the other Masses that weekend (6pm on Saturday or 8.30am In St. Thomas More).

+SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) +  
HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION - 5TH/6TH MAY 2018

<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>6pm (Sat)</b>	<b>1st Mass of Sunday</b> - Terry Wynn RIP
<b>St. Thomas More</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - People of the parish
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Helen & Arthur Murphy RIP
<i>Monday, 7th May - Feria</i>		
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Maria Hruban RIP
<i>Tuesday, 8th May - Feria</i>		
<b>No Mass</b>		
<i>Wednesday, 9th May - Feria</i>		
<b>St. Thomas More</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass of Ascension</b>
<i>Thursday, 10th May</i>		
<b>The Ascension of the Lord (B) - Holyday of Obligation</b>		
<b>No Mass</b>		
<i>Friday, 11th May - Feria</i> <i>(or Blessed John Rochester, Priest, Martyr - Diocesan Optional Memorial)</i>		
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Mrs. Maureen Margaret Wall RIP
<i>Saturday, 12th May</i>		
<b>St. John Houghton, Priest, Martyr</b> - Diocesan Memorial <i>(Catholic Deaf Awareness Week - 12th to 19th May)</i>		
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Intentions of Lilly Followed by Confessions until 10am

**Please pray for the sick and housebound.**

Victoria Thomas, Sheila Taiani, Isabella Podlesny, Margaret Harrison, Elaine O'Connell, Mary Keeble, Eileen Sharp, Richard Wait, Mary O'Sullivan, Elizabeth Lale, Joan Maughan, Anne Burgess, Marion Byas, Joan Peirce, Greta Taylor, Iris Matthews, Helen Holloway, Joan Garvey, the Harris family, Lizza Hodgkins, Angela Purkis, Rita Horton, Bailey Holden, Amy Shead, Thomas Ball, Dave, Oliver Cripps, Martin Treanor, Mary McWilliam, Ursula Hehir, John McGaughey, Mark Merry, Sue Griffiths, Steve Toms, Michael Cray, David Bradford, Baby Jack, Kath Donovan, Chris Gauld, Sheena Reeves, Mavis James, Peter & Elsie Galloway, Tah-ndi, Joan Doe, Angela Lingard, Maureen Fogg, Fr. Eamonn Power, Fr. Paul Fox, Joyce Short, Baby Finnian Graham (born prematurely), Vicky Fenn and Mary Bevins.

(To add or remove a name from these list, please 'phone or email the parish office).

+ SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) +  
WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY  
HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION - 12TH/13TH MAY 2018

<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>6pm (Sat)</b>	<b>1st Mass of Sunday</b> - Anne Cullen RIP
<b>St. Thomas More</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - People of the parish
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Lillian Mason RIP
<i>Monday, 14th May - St. Matthias, Apostle - Feast</i>		
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass</b> -
<i>Tuesday, 15th May - Feria</i>		
<b>St. Thomas More</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> -
<i>Wednesday, 16th May - Feria</i>		
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Fr. Jim McCormack RIP (Anniv)
<i>Thursday, 17th May - Feria</i>		
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Intentions of Anca Rusinov
<i>Friday, 18th May - Feria (or St. John I, Pope, Martyr)</i>		
<b>St. Thomas More</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Funeral Service</b> - Peter Rigden RIP
<i>Saturday, 19th May - Feria (or St Dunstan, Bishop)</i>		
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - Followed by Confessions until 10am
Holy Family	10am	Baptism

+ PENTECOST SUNDAY (B) +  
DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH  
HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION - 19TH/20TH MAY 2018

<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>6pm (Sat)</b>	<b>1st Mass of Sunday</b> - Michael Doe RIP (Anniv)
<b>St. Thomas More</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Mass</b> - People of the parish
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>First Holy Communion Mass</b>

**Prayers at the end of Mass**

The prayer to Holy Michael Archangel and The Angelus prayer are in the back of the Mass Books. The Regina Coeli (said during Eastertide instead of the Angelus) is on page 350 of the Mass Books