

## Services During the Week

*(Morning Prayer - 20 mins prior to each weekday Mass)*

- Sat 18 May**      **Vigil Mass for the 5th Sunday of Easter**  
6.00 pm              *Mass Our Parish Community.*
- Sun 19 May**      **The 5th Sunday of Easter**  
08.00 am              *Mass Anton Jesudasan. RIP*  
10.30 am              *Mass First Holy Communion Children*
- Mon 20 May**      **St Bernardine of Siena, Priest, Religious, Missionary**  
09.30 am              *Mass Pauric Jones. RIP Anniversary*
- Tue 21 May**      **Ss Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions.**  
09.30 am              *Mass Andrew Fontenelle. RIP*
- Wed 22 May**      **St Rita of Cascia, Religious**  
09.30 am              *Mass Jim Peach. RIP*
- Thur 23 May**      **Weekday of Easter**  
09.30 am              *Mass Mc Mahon Family. Intentions*
- Frid 24 May**      **Weekday of Easter**  
08.00 am              *Mass Deceased Fontenelle Family. RIP*
- Sat 25 May**      **St Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church**  
5.30 pm              *Confessions (No Holy Hour)*
- Sat 25 May**      **Vigil Mass for the 6th Sunday of Easter**  
6.00 pm              *Mass Danny Delaney. Intention*
- Sun 26 May**      **The 6th Sunday of Easter**  
08.00 am              *Mass Our Parish Community*  
10.30 am              *Mass Greg Gallagher. RIP*

### **RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) AND EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Unless otherwise stated, there is a Holy Hour every Saturday from 5 pm, during which time the priest will be available in the Reconciliation Room to hear confessions. Confessions are also available on request after weekday Masses or whenever Fr Matthew is in the Presbytery, or by appointment at any time.

## PARISH NEWSLETTER



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### THE 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C) - 19 MAY 2019

First Holy Communion day is always a joyful moment; for the children and their parents of course, but also for the whole parish. The fact that we make such a fuss of First Holy Communion is a sign that what is happening today is very significant. It is a rite of passage, or to be more precise a Sacrament of Initiation, since those who receive Our Lord in the Eucharist, having already received new life in Baptism, are drawn more fully into the mystery of Jesus Christ. The joyful anticipation and inevitable nervousness as our children stand on the threshold of this great mystery is a reminder to all of us not to take Holy Communion for granted or forget who it is who is truly present and feeds us with his own body and blood. The care with which our children have been prepared for this moment is a reminder that we should all take care to prepare ourselves each time we approach the altar to receive Holy Communion.

In our gospel today we hear Jesus' final instruction to the disciples at the Last Supper, when he gives them the 'new commandment', to 'love one another'. When we celebrate Mass we obey another instruction given at that supper: 'Do this in memory of me'. The Eucharist is at the heart of our Catholic faith because it brings us into the presence of Jesus, crucified and risen, truly present in his humanity and divinity, who gives himself to us as food as a means of sharing his own life with us. The Eucharist always leads us to the cross, the ultimate act of selfless love, when Christ's body was broken and his blood poured out for us. When Jesus says at the Last Supper, 'love one another as I have loved you', we should be in no doubt what this love looks like. If it seems an impossible task to us, to love as Jesus loves, remember that Jesus does not command the impossible, and that to God 'all things are possible.' But it is only possible if we remain close to him and allow his grace and his love to permeate through us. The Eucharist is not a symbolic reminder or re-enactment of Christ's great act of love, but a mysterious participation in it; through our sharing in the eucharist we are caught up in the mystery of divine love and given a

foretaste of the life of heaven, a life of perfect communion with God that is fittingly described as the wedding feast of the Lamb.

We are made in the image of the God who is love: it should hardly surprise us then that our salvation is accomplished through an act of love, and our growth in holiness identical to our growth in genuine, selfless love of God and neighbour. The very best advertisement for our faith is the love we show to others – love that is truly selfless and not concerned with what we get out of it. Jesus said *'by this shall all people know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another'*. This love went deeply against the grain of the culture surrounding the early church – one church father imagined pagans remarking *'see how these Christians love one another'* – and it goes against the grain in our society too, which is so quick to reduce people to their usefulness. Last week saw the death, at the age of 90, of Jean Vanier, founder of the L'Arche communities – someone who knew the importance of love and the true worth of every person. Of his many inspiring words, we might reflect on these: *"I am always moved as I read the gospel and see how Jesus lives and acts, how he enters into relationship with each person: 'Will you come with me? I love you. Will you enter into communion with me?' He calls each one he meets into a personal, intimate relationship with himself. But as he invites people to follow him, he is also telling them that they must make a choice. If they choose one thing, it means refusing another. If they choose to follow Jesus, they receive a gift of love and communion, but at the same time they must say 'no' to the ways of the world and accept the loss; they must own their choice."*

Fr Matthew

## Church Rotas

**This Week: Cleaning** - Team D.

**Next Weekend:**

**Readers** - 6.00 pm: Julie. 08.00 am: Angela. 10.30 am: Lesly, Carmel.

**Eucharistic Ministers** - 6.00 pm: Catherine, Lucy.

08.00 am: Stephen, Michael N. 10.30 am: Atilla, Tarlach, Ann M, Petrona, Sue.

**Small Linen Laundry** - Gladys. **Flowers** - Ching, Fay.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU ARE AWARE OF THE POSITION OF THE EMERGENCY FIRE EXIT DOORS IN THE CHURCH**

## Parish - Regular Notices

**SICK AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL:** If anyone is seriously ill at home or is in hospital, it is most important to let Fr Matthew know so that the sick person may receive the spiritual help of the sacraments. Relatives or friends should also inform the Catholic Chaplain of the hospital concerned (at King George Hospital, 8590 9026; at Queen's Hospital, 01708 447761; at Whipps Cross Hospital, 8520 5877).

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please pray for those in our community who are sick and housebound as well as the patients in Goodmayes, King George's and Queen's Hospitals. Also, the sick Priests of the Diocese - Frs Tom Jordan & Martin Nott.

**ANNIVERSARIES IN MAY:** Laura Chocken, Michael Celejewski, Ray Clark, Doris Dean, Kathleen Delaney, Raul Echeverria, Kenneth Ferrier, Michael Hanrahan, Vera Higby, Christine Hull, Margaret Jackson, Pat Jackson, Kathleen Johns, Pauric Jones, Tony Kelleher, Rose Kelly, Mr Kusyz, Thomas McParland, Rodolfo Magallona, Brendan Mitchell, Jean Mohammed, Maria Moyser, Michael Murphy, Katherine Musial, Win O'Leary, Francis O'Neill, Carmine Palumbo, Margaret Periera, Basil Roache, John Scully, Joseph Viegas and Olive Vogt.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** If you are expecting a baby or have a baby for baptism in the next couple of months, please contact Helen Mac Mahon on 020 8590 9981 who will help you make the appropriate arrangements.

**MASS REQUESTS:** Special envelopes for this purpose are available at the back of Church. Please use one for each request and place your donation within it.

**CHURCH HALL:** The Church Hall is available for bookings by Parishioners. Please contact Sid on 07887983310 for bookings and conditions.

**CHURCH CAR PARK:** Please remember it is essential that emergency vehicles have clear access to the Church at all times. During the week, please do not park in front of the Hall gate and remember to leave your details at the Parish Office if you are leaving your car here outside Mass times.

**CHURCH GROUNDS:** Please remember to do what you can to keep the church grounds tidy - if you see some litter and it is safe to do so, please pick it up and put it in one of the two bins provided.

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER 10.30 AM MASS ON SUNDAY:** Tea & coffee will once again be available in the Hall **this week** after Mass.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** You are very welcome here. Please make yourselves known to Fr Matthew and complete one of the Parish Registration Forms as soon as possible.

## Meetings this Week

**Monday:** Confirmation Group in the Pastoral Centre at 7.30 pm.  
**Tuesday:** Coffee Morning Group in the Pastoral Centre after Mass.  
Legion of Mary in the Pastoral Centre at 7.30 pm.  
Prayer Group in the Church at 7.30 pm.

## Parish - In & Around

**HOLY HOUR:** *Please note there will be no Holy Hour this weekend nor for the next two Saturday evenings (25 May & 01 June).* Confessions will still be available however from 5.30 pm.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:** Please pray for the children who receive Holy Communion for the first time **this Sunday:** Luca Fitzpatrick, Dylan Vecino, Chauncey Shepherd, Beyoncy Afrane, Annalisa Mariacharles.

**MASS ON FRIDAY:** Please note that Mass **on this coming Friday, (24 May) will be at the earlier time of 8.00 am.**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** The Offertory collection (inc. Standing Orders) for **last weekend amounted to £980.40 of which 74% was "Gift Aided"**. Thank you all for your continued generosity.

**RETIRING COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND:** The collection **last weekend** to support the promotion of vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious life in our diocese **raised £297.62**. Many thanks for your generosity. Also, please continue to pray for our current seminarians as they journey towards priesthood. They are Paschal Uche, Adrian Lowe, Michael Barwick, Tony Grant, Alexander Johnson, Damien Wade, Matúš Meleg and Jonathan Burden. Our new seminarian is Moses Itene who will start at Allen Hall in September. At the moment there are also ten young men in the priesthood enquirers' group. On the Diocesan website [www.brentwoodvocations.org](http://www.brentwoodvocations.org), there is a host of information for anyone considering a vocation to priesthood or the religious life. You are also very welcome to contact the Vocations Director, Fr Graham Smith on 01702 465720 or [fr.gjdsmith@gmail.com](mailto:fr.gjdsmith@gmail.com)

**MAY DEVOTIONS:** During May, the rosary will be prayed at the Church Grotto (weather permitting) every **Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm**. Also, **on this coming Friday, (24 May) at 7.00 pm**, there will be a House rosary **at the home of the Gillan family, 5 Suffolk Rd**, and all are welcome.

**CONFIRMATION GROUP:** The next meeting of the Group will be **at 7.30 pm on this coming Monday (20 May)** in the Pastoral Centre

**PARISH ROTAS:** A new rotas for Readers is currently being prepared by Gerry Gillan and he would be extremely grateful if everyone on the current rota would please let him know **by no later than Wednesday this week**, of any weekends in the 3-month period to end August **when they will not be available** to undertake their ministry. You can email Gerry at [gerrygillan5@gmmail.com](mailto:gerrygillan5@gmmail.com) or call him on 020 8599 0013.

**COMMUNITY FUND:** Please do let us have your thoughts/ideas etc on who might benefit from this new parish initiative, either by speaking directly to Sid James (07887983310) or, alternatively, using the "Suggestions Box" (anonymously if you wish) in Church Porch and help make this initiative a parish success story.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** A copy of the minutes of the meeting held on 01 May can be found on the Notice Board in the Porch.

**ST TERESAS LADIES GUILD:** Please note your diary that **on the weekend of 08/09 June** the Guild will be holding a "Plant Sale" after all Masses. More details later but meantime please have a think about whether you have any plants that you can donate for this event.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Please make a note that the Parish BBQ will be held this year **on Sunday, 07 July**. More details to follow.

**CHURCH CLEANERS:** Our committed Church Cleaning Teams always need new helpers – men & women. Also, we are still looking for offers of help to undertake a more regular clean of the church brass etc as well as a few more volunteers to launder the small linen used during the Mass. If you would think you could help out on any of these important tasks or would like more details, please speak to Fr Matthew.

**KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA:** A reminder that our parish Knights of St Columba continue to collect old spectacles and used postage stamps and there are boxes in the Porch for your donations. All your old spectacles are sent to Fr Perera in Kandy, Sri Lanka who then passes them to the needy in his parish. The postage stamps are to help fund charitable work for the relief of bone cancer (linked with the Newbury Park Health Centre). Two very worthy causes then both deserving of your support

**TWIN PARISH:** Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in the parish of Sacred Heart, Pomeroy, in the Diocese of Dundee, South Africa, with whom we are twinned and their parish priest, Fr Mandla Makhanya. There are a couple of new photos from Fr Mandla on the parish website.

**VISITORS:** If you are a visitor to St Teresa's then you are most welcome, and we very much hope you enjoy the service you are attending. If you are a tax payer and would like to "Gift Aid" your Offertory donation, then please use one of the special "Gift Aid" envelopes which you will find at the back of the Church.



**BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY** has several charity places remaining for the London to Brighton Bike Ride on 15 September. Riders are asked to pay a registration fee of £55 and make a commitment to raise £150 for 'BCCS'. For more information, please visit our website [www.bccs.org.uk/GetInvolved/Events](http://www.bccs.org.uk/GetInvolved/Events) or call Julie Abbott on 01268 784544/07912 277413

**ST AUGUSTINE'S WEDNESDAY CLUB:** Would you be interested in helping to run this Club which is a social place for adults with learning difficulties? There is no requirement to come each week only when you are available. (We are normally open 50 weeks a year). The Club has been running for over 30 years and meets in the Youth Hall next to St. Augustine's Church, Barkingside every Wednesday between 7.30 pm and 9.30 pm. The Club has various activities including a Pool table and a Disco each week. If you are interested in helping and would like further information, then please contact Maurice on 0208 500 8293 or Jonathan on 07837668041.

**RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN:** The next Recollection evening will take place **from 6.45 pm to 9 pm on this coming Tuesday, (21 May)** at St Augustine's Church, Barkingside and all are welcome.

**150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** St Helen's Parish, Westcliff-on-Sea is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May with the following events:- **Next Friday, (24 May)** there will be a Mass at 5.30 pm followed by a special dinner with Bishop Alan Williams at 7 pm in celebration of all the couples who were married at St. Helen's Church over the years. Please contact the office on 01702 342324 for tickets. **On Saturday, 25 May from 6 pm to 8.15 pm** there will be a concert featuring beautiful songs, instrumentals and dance by talented young people from Brentwood Diocesan schools and churches. No tickets required but there will be an opportunity to make a donation. Coffee and cake will be available in the hall during the interval. **On Sunday, 26 May** there will be an International Food Festival starting with a cultural show at 12 noon. Adult £8/ Children £3 (please contact the office on 01702 342324).

**CAFOD-'OUR COMMON HOME':** With environmental issues very much in the news, you are warmly invited to attend the launch of CAFOD's new campaign-'Our Common Home' at a Creation Celebration Mass, **next Saturday, (25 May) at 6 pm**, in the Church of the Most Holy

Redeemer, Billericay CM12 9LL. The theme of the Mass will be giving thanks for the gift of creation, and we will be offering prayers for our common home. Bishop Emeritus Thomas McMahon will be celebrating the Mass and there will be refreshments at a short social event after Mass, where you will have the opportunity to find out more about the aims of the 'Our Common Home' campaign, and how you can get involved. For more information, please contact Angela Sparke at [asparke@cafod.org.uk](mailto:asparke@cafod.org.uk) If you are unable to attend but would still like to take part in the campaign, we are asking for the UK government to go further, faster on climate action. Please sign our petition at <https://e-activist.com/page/36329/petition/1>

**SPIRIT IN THE CITY FESTIVAL, 31 MAY & 1 JUNE:** This is a Catholic Faith Festival with the theme 'Life to the Full', celebrating and witnessing faith in London's Leicester Square. Starts Friday evening from 7 pm in Notre Dame de France Church. Saturday all day in the Square gardens. Includes live stage music, street evangelisation, prayer teams, all day Adoration, Confessions, feet washing, activities for children, talks, etc. Come be refreshed and renewed in your faith. For more information, contact Allegra, [info@spiritinthecity.org](mailto:info@spiritinthecity.org) or call 0791 5537125. Or why not join the Mission Team and help others encounter Christ through one of these areas? To register as a helper, visit [spiritinthecity.org](http://spiritinthecity.org)

**ESSEX RECUSANT SOCIETY** (Brentwood Diocesan Historical Society): The next meeting of the Society will take place at The Grange, 93 Queens Road, Brentwood CM14 4EY on **Saturday, 01 June at 2.30 pm**. The speaker will be Fr Michael Rear (Diocese of East Anglia) on 'Was the Image of Our Lady of Walsingham Saved?' Fr Rear, a former Anglican, has had a close association with both Anglican and Catholic shrines, on which he has published widely, and is an expert on Walsingham and its history. All are welcome.

**CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS:** The following are planned over the coming weeks. "The City and Tower" a walk through the ancient City of London **on Tuesday, 04 June at 2.30 pm**. Meet at Monument Tube Station. "Annual Martyrs' Walk" A devotional Walk following the route of the martyrs towards Tyburn, ending with Benediction at the Convent **on Sunday, 23 June at 1.30 pm**. Meet in the Churchyard of St Sepulchre-without-Newgate, EC1A 2DQ. Nearest Tube: St Paul's. "Catholics, politics, and monarchy: Thomas More, Emancipation and more" **on Wednesday, 26 June and Wednesday, 10 July at 6.30 pm**. Meet outside Westminster Cathedral. Nearest Tube: Victoria. More walks on our website [catholichistorywalks.co](http://catholichistorywalks.co) or contact: [chwalkslondon@gmail.com](mailto:chwalkslondon@gmail.com) Walks cost £5 and may take up to 2 hours.

**DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE** run by Marian Fathers is organising the 10th National Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham **on Saturday, 01 June** from 11.00 am to 5.00 pm For more information please contact Marian Fathers, Divine Mercy Apostolate, 1 Courtfield Gardens, London W13 0EY. Call 020 8998 0925 or email [info@divinemercury.org.uk](mailto:info@divinemercury.org.uk)

**STUDY DAY ON THE APOCALYPSE (BOOK OF REVELATION):** A study day on this theme will be held at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, Romford **on Saturday, 01 June**. Dr Sean Ryan, formerly of Heythrop College and now lecturer at Roehampton University, will lead an exploration of key passages from this fascinating and difficult book of the New Testament. The day begins with coffee at 10.30 am. and ends at 3 pm. Admission is free, and refreshments will be provided. Please bring your own lunch. Please make your booking by email to [GPstudydays@gmail.com](mailto:GPstudydays@gmail.com)

**ST PETER'S CHURCH, ALDBOROUGH ROAD NORTH: On Saturday, 01 June** there is a Jazz Evening - "The Silver Screen Music from Hollywood Films" with Keith Nichols. Tickets, from Linda Wright on 020 8590 7248, cost £10 to include light snack.

**SION COMMUNITY FAMILY:** Are you aged 11-14 years? Would you like to come along **on 07-09 June** for the weekend full of fun, friends and faith! This is a chance to meet other young people just like yourself from all over the country and spend a few days building a friendship with Jesus. Also, **on 28-30 June**, join the Mount Sion Family Camp and have a great weekend of fun, sharing, praying and socialising together. Experience our woodland prayer trail, worship, bookshop, cafeteria and more. All meals included. For more information about both events and/or to book contact us on 01277 215011 or email [admin@sioncommunity.org.uk](mailto:admin@sioncommunity.org.uk)

**THY KINGDOM COME BEACON EVENT:** Are fed up of hearing bad news and wonder what it would be like to see a glimpse of heaven on earth, then come and join thousands of others in Trafalgar Square **on Pentecost Sunday, 09 June** to celebrate our faith and pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This event has a family friendly festival from 12 pm – 4 pm or 4 pm to 6 pm an Ecumenical service with Cardinal Vincent and other Christian leaders. For more information or to register your interest please visit <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/trafalgarsquare>. The Brentwood Diocese is hosting the Catholic Prayer Tent with the Dowry of Mary tour being the main part of the presentation. We will be engaging people to come and pray the rosary and mingling in the crowds to encourage them over. Can you be there to be a witness to your faith, chat with those who are looking for more

information about Jesus Christ and join with thousands of others in prayer. If you can help or are going along please get in contact – [adeleangel@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:adeleangel@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

**THE GENDER AGENDA:** What does it mean to be male or female? How – and why – are the two sexes different? Come and explore a Catholic perspective at a conference sponsored by the Association of Catholic Women **on Wednesday, 12 June** at St Mary Moorfields, Eldon Street London EC32M 7LS. Tickets cost £15.00 to include a buffet lunch. Send cheque made out to Association of Catholic Women to ACW, Flat 2, Salamander Court, 135, York Way. London N7 9LG.

**FAITH EVENING ON THE LITURGICAL YEAR: On Wednesday, 12 June at 7 pm** at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH Fr David Manson will lead an evening on the Liturgical Year, exploring the main seasons of the Church's year and explaining how the feasts of the Church are celebrated. Admission is free but please book your place by email to [GPstudydays@gmail.com](mailto:GPstudydays@gmail.com) Refreshments will be provided.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA: On Saturday, 15 June**, Our Lady of Canvey and English Martyrs, Canvey will host the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima together with the relics of Ss Francisco and Jacinta. It will be a day of devotion and prayer in honour of Our Lady, stressing how she leads to Christ and how, through prayer, we can help bring about the conversion of our fallen world. The day, from 09.30 am to 4.35 pm, will include Mass, talks on Our Lady, veneration of the relics, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and consecration to Our Lady. Please bring a packed lunch.

**BCCS ANNIVERSARY CONCERT:** BCCS is delighted to announce that the Northern Irish classical singing trio '**The Priests**' have agreed to hold an Anniversary Concert for us **on Saturday, 15 June at the Brentwood Cathedral at 7.30 pm**. Tickets (£20 plus fee) can be purchased directly through Eventbrite – [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) - look for The Priests under Event, or, click the link on our website [www.bccs.org.uk](http://www.bccs.org.uk) under Our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Anniversary Events. We expect this to be a sell-out event and would urge you to book early in order to avoid disappointment.

**BUILDING A PARISH OF FRUITFUL DISCIPLESHIP:** Sherry Weddell from the Catherine of Siena Institute will be in London for a special one-day event **on Tuesday, 18 June from 1 pm - 9 pm at Westminster Cathedral Hall, SW1P 1QW** where she will explore how Catholics can fulfil their mission to bring all to Christ. Sherry is a best-selling author, lecturer and evangelist. This day event consists of three sessions and tickets can be purchased for all three, two sessions or just one. Each

session costs £10. To purchase tickets please use this link <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/centreforcatholicformation/251195> Details about the times of each sessions is on the link when you apply for tickets.

**BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY (BCCS)** is hosting its annual Ascot Ladies' Luncheon **on Friday, 21 June** at the Rayleigh Golf & Country Club. Ladies are encouraged to dust off their best hats and enter into the spirit of a 'Day at the Races'. Tickets cost £25.00 per person for a delicious two course luncheon with tea & coffee served in our own private dining room, with plenty of time to enjoy some racing from Ascot before the school-run. Please contact Libby for more information & to book tickets on 01268 784544 or [lphillips@bccs.org.uk](mailto:lphillips@bccs.org.uk)

**CALAIS LIGHT: On 21 - 23 June**, Calais Light, the car-sharing convoy which takes a bunch of like-minded, friendly volunteers to Calais to work with refugee charities - sets off again. Trip 11! We're returning to Care4Calais, to sort aid in their amazingly well-run warehouse. Every afternoon, all volunteers go out with Care4Calais's team to meet refugees living rough. We chat with them, listen to their stories, offer them solidarity, normality, kindness & essential services. Our March weekend was a huge success - moving, unexpectedly joyful, crucial. So, come with us! Sign up for a convoy at [www.calaislight.com](http://www.calaislight.com) or donate by emailing: [calaislight@yahoo.com](mailto:calaislight@yahoo.com)

**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 Church, Collier Row, RM5 2AP **on Friday, 18 October**. Come and sing with us (Rehearsal time 7.30 pm) or join us for the service (9 pm.) Musical director James Davy Retiring Collection. For further information or to book if singing please contact Shirley Timmins by email to [shirleytimmins@btinternet.com](mailto:shirleytimmins@btinternet.com) or leave a message on the answerphone 01277 233302.

**PILGRIMAGE TO SHRINES OF FRANCE:** If you would like any further information about this pilgrimage, which includes visits to Lisieux, Paris, Nevers, Lourdes, Avignon, Ars and Paray le Monial, please contact Celine Bui at Joe Walsh Tours on 02034680617 or e-mail [celine.bui@joewalstours.ie](mailto:celine.bui@joewalstours.ie).

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** Come this summer on Brentwood Diocese's pilgrimage to Lourdes with Bishop Alan, **from Sunday, 21 - Friday, 26 July**. For further information, please 'phone Tangey Tours on 01732 886 666. Please note that we shall be flying from Southend Airport. We are able to support those with medical needs.

**IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL** Fr Eduard-William Fartan from Holy Family in Benfleet is organising a Pilgrimage to Greece to follow in the footsteps of St Paul. Taking place **from Monday, 07 to Sunday, 13 October**, the cost will be £730 per person **with a £150 deposit by this coming Wednesday, (15 May)** required to secure your place. Walking should be light, breakfast and dinner included. Any queries or to register your interest please email [priest@holyfamily-church.org](mailto:priest@holyfamily-church.org) or call 01268 799082/01268 792082.

**CHAIR-BASED EXERCISE FOR THE OVER 50'S:** The sessions are held at Ss Peter & Paul's Parish Centre Small Hall **on Wednesday afternoons, from 12.30 pm to 1.30 pm**. The exercises aim to improve *Postural Stability and Falls Prevention*. Our Instructor is excellent, very experienced and caring. The cost is £30 for 10 sessions. (Compare that to the cost of one session with a private physiotherapist). You may like to tell friends about this opportunity. Just come along.

**ST CEDD'S YOUTH CLUB** is a Youth Club based in the middle hall of St Cedd's Church in Blythswood Road, Goodmayes. For Years 5, 6 and 7, it opens from 6 pm to 8 pm and the Senior Youth Club (for all in Year 8 & upwards), runs from 8 pm to 10 pm. Bring a friend on your first night and you can both join for free. Any questions please ring John on 07803116729.

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS:** If you have any items for inclusion in the weekly Newsletter then please email them to [admin@stteresasnewbpark.com](mailto:admin@stteresasnewbpark.com) The copy deadline for including items in the Newsletter **is Thursday 12 noon**. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee to include all requests we receive in the paper edition but we will make every effort to accommodate articles and insertion requests in the on-line edition including job vacancies.

## Job Opportunities

**THE URSULINE ACADEMY, ILFORD** is currently recruiting for a Teacher of English and a Teacher of Religious Education as well as Subject Leaders for Music and D&T. For further information please visit [uai.org.uk/about/vacancies](http://uai.org.uk/about/vacancies)

**BUILDINGS DEVELOPMENT OFFICER:** The Diocesan Education Department is seeking to recruit a full-time Buildings Development Officer. A job description and further details is available on the Diocesan Website or can be requested by calling 01277 265284. Applicants are asked to provide a CV and a covering letter, highlighting how their skills and experience match the job description and person specification, to [sophierussell@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:sophierussell@dioceseofbrentwood.org) **by Friday, 31 May**.