



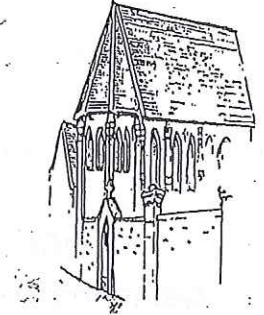
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28th Sunday of the Year (A) 15 October 2017

Services for the week beginning 15 October

Morning Prayer of the Church is prayed Monday - Friday
at 9.00am in the Lady Chapel.

Sat 14	6.00pm	Keith Thomas RIP
Sun 15	9.00am 11.00am	Moyosore Awolesi (intentions) People of the Parish
Mon 16	9.15am	Anna Halford RIP
Tues 17	9.15am	Bridget Lyras RIP
Wed 18	9.15am	Eucharistic Service
Thurs 19	9.15am 9.45am	Sr. Regina King RIP Adoration
Fri 20	9.15am 10.00am	Peter & John Connaghan RIP Whole School Assembly
Sat 21	5.15pm 6.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation People of the Parish
Sun 22	9.00am 11.00am	Mrs. Granville & Eustace King Mary Scannell RIP

18 October is the feast of St. Luke, evangelist

Parish Diary

Mon	School Forms	11.00am	Parish Office
	Governors	6.00pm	St. Winefride's School
Tues	Prayer Group	9.45am	Community Room
	School Forms	5.00pm	Parish Office
Thurs	Senior Citizens	2.00pm	Community Room

Please pray for those who are sick:

Masaldo Merry, Clare O'Toole, Denzil Lang,
John Oruche, Patrick Berton, Jude Telles,
Christine Jones, & Christine Kristen

Thank you for your generous offerings
8 October: £1,601.52

From Fr. Sean,

I recently had the opportunity to take part in a training day about Judaism. I have to say it was something of an onslaught in terms of the amount of stuff thrown at us, but we were wonderfully sustained with bagels at the last remaining Jewish bakery in the East End, and I came away enlightened and refreshed in my own sense of ministry. It is a shame both that such opportunities are so rare and that sometimes in our Catholic communities we dismiss the need for them. For some, at best, the fact they are Catholic eliminates the need to delve into another faith; at worst they fear contamination and conversion. Of course nobody of any faith welcomes someone trying to convert them: it's simply offensive. The truth is if we are deeply rooted in our faith then we are in a strong position to engage openly and without fear with our equally deeply rooted brothers and sisters of another faith. The other day the Jewish faith was allowed to stand before us in all the glorious richness of its traditions, with a glimpse into its deep woundedness, and its follies and flaws. I've often thought that we Catholics are most like Jews, and this shone a powerful light onto our Church, illuminating some dark corners, reminding us of the need for a deep humility. With Jews we share a common memory of making present the past. Their history is often one of pogroms, forced conversions, violence and murder and it is we in our Church that have often been responsible. It is shocking to think that it is only since 1965 that our Church has begun to build better ties with our elder cousins, and even then not without some dissent. It is surely time in our globalized neighbourhoods for a deeper engagement not just with our Jewish cousins who we often unwittingly share so much with, but all people of faith

Rotas for weekend 21/22 October

	Readers	Eucharist	Children's Liturgy
6.00pm	Lydia David, Sarah Brant	Comfort Obi, Deirdre Finan, Lesley Thomas	
9.00am	Tina Amuzie, Patricia D'Monte	Christine Malone, Peter Da Costa, Maria Emilion, Mary Jane Ememe, Hazel Ringrow	
11.00am	Sr. Dorothy, Lucy Achola	Imelda Sotto, Joseph Duke, Stella Porritt, Hilda Ridoyouth, Marian Chery	Mira, Jolly, & Helpers

Senior Citizens.

The gathering for October for our Senior Citizens takes place on Thursday 19 October, 2.00pm - 4.00pm in the Community Room. There will be the usual lovely refreshments and great chat. Why not come and join us as guest or helper?

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday. Please join in this special day that unites Catholics across the world in prayer, celebration, and care for the mission of the Church. You are invited to support a collection for Missio, the Pope's official charity for overseas mission.

National Mass for Altar Servers. All our servers are invited to take part in this annual mass at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 21 October at 2.30pm. Please bring an alb to the cathedral hall in Ambrosden Ave ready to process by 2.00pm.

Royal School of Church Music. The annual Choral Festival, this year to celebrate the centenary of the Diocese of Brentwood, will take place on Saturday 21 October 10.00am - 5.00pm with the Festival of Thanksgiving Service at 4.00pm, at Brentwood Cathedral. All groups of singers and individuals are welcome. The service will be conducted by Andrew Wright and will be joined by the choirs of Chelmsford and Brentwood Cathedral. More information from shirleytimmins@btinternet.com

St. John's RC Special Needs School, Woodford Bridge. The school is looking to recruit a full time teacher to work with students aged 5 - 25 with a wide range of special needs, from January. SEN teaching experience essential. Contact the school office for an application pack on 020 8504 1818 or email office@stjohnsrcschool.co.uk Applications close at 4.00pm on 20 October.

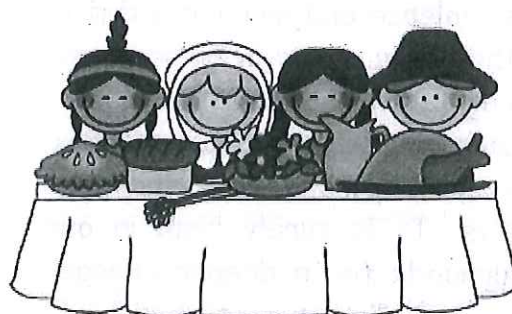
School Forms. Parents who wish to apply for a Catholic school place are invited to book an appointment time at the back of the church so that you may come and apply for a Certificate of Practice from me.

Marriage Care. Marriage Care Ilford is looking for a volunteer to carry out PR work for marriage preparation. Training will be given. Please email Glenda on marriagecareilford@hotmail.co.uk

Vacancy. Communicator/Special Needs Teaching Assistant, at Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School, Upminster. Application forms on job vacancies section at www.sacredheartofmary.net. Closing date 16 October.

London Marathon 2018

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has a number of Gold Bond Charity places for runners in the Virgin Money LONDON MARATHON taking place on SUNDAY 22nd April 2018. If you are an experienced runner or someone who would value the opportunity to participate in this renowned event, please contact Libby Phillips for further details on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk. The closing date for completed applications is Friday 17th November and please note that there is a minimum sponsorship requirement of £1600 (excluding Gift Aid). If you have been lucky enough to secure your own running place through the ballot, we would invite you to join us and run for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. The London Marathon is a unique opportunity to raise much needed funds for the Diocesan Children's Society and perhaps achieve a lifetime ambition at the same time.



All are welcome
at the
Feast
of Life