Newsletter OUR LADY OF RANSOM



10th October 2021 28B Psalter Week 4

Ripped jeans, wild hair, T-shirt and shoes torn. So it was for Billy. Visiting a packed church with no seats available, he decides to sit on the ground right by the pulpit. Seeing this, the people become nervy, uptight. The priest stops; equally uneasy. Then, 85 year-old Burt gets up with walking-stick and shuffles slowly over to Billy. It's arduous and seems to take forever. Everyone knows what's going to happen. But no! They're stunned. Good old Burt drops his stick to the floor, and with great difficulty and bones creaking, he agonisingly lowers himself to sit beside Billy. Now Billy is not alone. The priest says '*what I am about to preach, you will probably not remember; what you have just seen you will never forget*'. Could our lives and what we do be the only sermon someone ever hears and remembers?

We all need reminding that it is one thing to know commandments, doctrines and dogmas of our faith – but "living them"? It is one thing to know correct words, ideas and laws of our faith – but to "en-flesh" them, live them out? We are taught that the "word became flesh". I often wonder why theologians have spent so much time putting flesh back into words, then arguing and falling out over who has the "right" words, ideas, dogmas etc. It seems to defeat the whole mind-blowing truth of the "word becoming flesh". The priest was about to use words, good old Burt simply en-fleshed the truth. No words, ideas, data, information or commandments necessary.

Jesus says time and again, "follow me". Distractions can prevent us. For the rich young man, his wealth distracted him. Yes, he knew all the commandments and the correct laws, he worshipped God, but...*following*...ouch! Where does Jesus say 'to worship him is enough', or 'you must have the right words'? Just worshipping the messenger can so easily lead to losing the message. So dangerous.

Faith is not just about knowing facts and data, nor worshipping the messenger, but doublechecking we are en-fleshing the message, living it out. Following Our Lord. If something distracts us, identify it, so we can try and clear it out the way. Then we can follow more clearly. It's the way to peace. Living the faith, en-fleshing it, may be the only sermon someone ever hears, or bible someone-else ever reads....

God Bless, Fr. Paul

This week Fr Paul will say Mass for the following intentions:-

	MASS INTENTIONS			
Saturday 9 Oct.	St. John Henry Newman			
5.30pm Mass	Stella Ray RIP (Pat and Mary Rickard)			
Sunday 10th	28 th Sunday of the Year			
8am Mass 9.30am Mass	Terry McManus RIP (Anne McManus) Parish Community			
Monday11 th	Pope St. John XX111			
	Maura Houchin RIP (Anniv)			
Tuesday 12 th	St. Ethelburga, Hildelithe and Cuthberga			
<u>11am</u>	Heather Francke RIP (Memorial Mass)			
Wednesday 13 th				
10am Mass	Stella Ray RIP (Colin and Marie Griffin)			
Thursday 14 th				
	Anne McCafferty RIP (SVP, Basildon)			
Friday 15 th	St. Teresa of Avila			
10am Mass	Stella Ray RIP (Eit	Stella Ray RIP (Eithne and Una)		
Saturday 16 th				
5.30pm Mass	Mai Conroy RIP (Chris, Ros and Sean Gray))			
Sunday 17 th	29 th Sunday of the Year 8am Mass Parish Community 9.30am Mass Stella Ray RIP (SVP Basildon)			
PARISH PRIEST Father Paul Fox		Public Mass times		
		Saturdays 5.30pm		
50 London Hill, Rayleigh Essex SS6 7HP		Sundays 8am & 9.30an Wednesdays 10.00am		
01268 38.24.99		Wednesdays 10.00am Fridays 10.00am		
www.olorchurch.org		Fildays 10.00am		

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email: rayleigh@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Please be aware - Times and days of Masses are subject to change.

Our Parish is part of The Brentwood Diocesan Trust, Registered Charity Number 2340

† † PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

.Mr. Derek Hand. Derek ,(Margaret Hand's son) died recently. Please keep him and the family in your prayers. RIP.

Mrs. Heather Francke . A Memorial Mass will be celebrated for Heather <u>this</u> Tuesday <u>October 12th at 11am.</u> This will be followed by a memorial tea at Rayleigh Lodge, The Chase, Rayleigh SS6 8RW. Heather was a former parishioner whose funeral was celebrated recently in Glasgow. Due to Covid, if you wish to come please call Cathy on 07825 718303 by October 4th as contact details will be needed. Thank you.

Laudato Si Invitations, Commitments and Actions Document_are launched across the Diocese this weekend. Containing much information about how we can play our part in Climate Change with a healthier environment. For more information please go to www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/laudatosi or email laudatosi@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Living Laudato Si' - Your Parish and Your Planet - Online Retreat -

<u>this week 15th – 18th October 2021</u>. Open to all, this retreat will help personal prayer and reflection, and parish action, on the critical issue of care for God's creation. Bishop Alan will open the retreat, which will be led by expert speakers. For more information see the poster at the back of church or email <u>laudatosi@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u>

LIFTING OF RESTRICTIONS

If you are strict about social-distancing, the pews on the right hand side (as we face the altar) are largely reserved for those who wish to do so.

Public Masses:

Face Coverings – please continue wearing a face covering as a mark of respect for one another's health and protection.

Please **do not come** if you have symptoms, sniffles, sneezes, coughs, immunity issues etc. Use common sense and **think of others**.

Social Distance <u>should</u> be maintained as much as possible – again – out of mutual respect.

Please continue to follow only the directions of the Stewards.

Holy Communion only to be received on the hand for added protection.

The church will continue to be both cleaned and sanitised regularly

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

Thanks to all who continue to support our parish financially.

DONATIONS USING QR CODES

To avoid having too much cash lying around, it is now possible to make donations in Church using your mobile phone and QR codes. *There are notices in the porch for contributions to the parish*

ONLINE DONATIONS

To make a donation online go to https://stream.seccomgroup.com/donations/olor





GIFT AID /ENVELOPES. Some people have started donating to the parish online during lockdown. If you are a taxpayer it's worth a reminder that we could get **an extra 25%** on your donations if you sign up to the Gift Aid scheme.

Please contact Sandra our Gift Aid Co-ordinator (<u>olorgiftaid@hotmail.com</u> / 01268 772998) if you have any questions. Thank you.

THE THRESHOLDS OF HOPE WEBSITE has now

been launched. This new online resource is the work of the Brentwood Diocese Vicariate for Adult

Formation and aims to help adults to deepen their relationship with Christ and His Church. The website address is <u>www.thresholdofhope.co.uk</u>

THE THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTIONS are a series of talks for adults who want to grow in understanding and confidence when questioned or speaking about their Catholic Faith. The talks and discussion will take place on Zoom from 4.00 - 5.00 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon.

THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTIONS The next talk will be on this Sunday 10th October and the question being explored is "*Spiritual Preparation before Mass*.

adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org For more information about The

Thresholds of Hope Questions go to www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk or

adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org

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BCYS EVENTS:

BRAND NEW BCYS YOUTH MASS Takes place on the first THURSDAY of the month at Brentwood Cathedral. The evening will start with a celebration in the Parish Hall at 6pm, where we will provide pizzas and drink as we know many will come straight from school or work. Youth Mass follows in the Cathedral at 7:30pm followed by refreshments after at about 8.30pm. All welcome.

For more information please visit <u>www.bcys.net/events/september-youth-mass/</u> or email <u>info@bycs.net</u>

BCYS AUTUMN YOUTH GATHER – Saturday 23rd October, Walsingham House at Abbotswick

The BCYS invite all young people from school year 9 and above to join us at Walsingham House at Abbotswick for a one day event on Saturday 23rd October, with outdoor activities and inflatables and 2 fantastic speakers - John Pridmore will speak about his conversion from a life of organised crime in the East End of London, to teach us that we are all capable of changing our futures and Leila Bousbaa will inspire and educate us on the Catholic response to climate change.

We are asking £20 for the day and you can book online NOW at https://bcys.net/events/youth-gather-2021/

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. Following enquiries from parents with children who would normally start their Holy Communion Catechism this September, we need to advise that the course is postponed until January 2022. Whilst nothing is guaranteed this will allow the 2021 children to receive their course and make their First Holy Communion.

CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) is available – **can now be offered openly** <u>and</u> <u>in</u> **the traditional Confessional Box**. At the present time, if you wish for the Sacrament, please contact Fr. Paul - the request itself is treated confidentially.





MANY THANKS FOR ALL THE MASS INTENTIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Please note: At present we have a large number of outstanding Mass Intentions, which takes us **to late-November.**



PLEASE PRAY

For all the sick members of our Parish and all our relatives and friends.

† ANNIVERSARIES **†**

Kindly pray for Patricia Hall, Maura Houchin, Betty Popplewell and Eileen Rochford. May they rest in peace.

MASS CARDS & SYMPATHY CARDS ... can be obtained at the repository shop and the

presbytery. Please contact Fr. Paul to arrange a convenient time to come, choose, collect and pay for the cards if the shop is closed.

NEWSLETTERS

A few printed newsletters will be left on the shelf outside the presbytery after each weekend Mass. These are primarily designated for anyone who has no email access.

If you are able to print off newsletters yourselves and deliver to anyone who can't get out, that would be a great act of charity. Thank you.

If you, or anyone you know, would like to receive the newsletter by email each week, please in the first instance <u>email a request</u> to the parish office (<u>rayleigh@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u>) and ask to be added onto the distribution list.

The newsletter will be emailed by the Saturday morning.

Bible Alive (October) Donations welcome.



Rediscover Your Marriage - Retrouvaille simply means 'rediscovery' and

is a programme that offers you the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples having difficulties in the marriage and even heading for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work.

For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a 'Virtual' weekend on 21st –24th October 2021... Call or text +44 788 7296983 or +44 797 3380443 – or Email <u>retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com</u> or visit <u>www.retrouvaille.org.uk</u>

Sacramental Preparation for members of the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Communities:

We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in helping children from GRT communities prepare for the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

If you would like to find out more about this work we will be running two training sessions in the Canon Roche Pastoral Centre behind the Most Holy Redeemer Church in Billericay, 21 Laindon Road, CM12 9LL

The two training sessions will be on Thursday, 14th October and Thursday, 21st October from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

If you would like more information please phone the Billericay Parish Office on 01277 624891 or email the Parish Office at: <u>billericay@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u>.

Please note that as this involves working with children, it will be necessary to have a DBS certificate issued by the diocese.

<u>Certificate in Religious Studies</u>. (CCRS) "..gave me such understanding and confidence about my faith for my parish work." The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) provides parish leaders with knowledge and understanding of theology and the Catholic faith. 88% participants recommend the course to others. Learn in person, by distance learning or online For more information visit brs-ccrs.org.uk

Centres (in person learning) http://brs-ccrs.org.uk/index.php/course-centres

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Afghanistan.....what can we do?

As the tragedy unfolding in Afghanistan fills the news, adding to the miseries of those who have fled Syria, Iraq, South Sudan, Ethiopia and Eritrea in recent years, it may well be that parishioners ask, "what can we do?"

There is now a wealth of experience within the Diocese to support any parish (or, more realistically – as part of the scheme requirement is to fundraise £9,000 – group of parishes) who wishes to look into this more deeply. I would be happy to help, and have the Chelmsford application as a template. The section of the Home Office that deals with this (known as "Reset") is also immensely supportive, with excellent briefings and training, and – via CSAN (Caritas Social Action Network) nationally, there are further networks and resources to draw from.

In Redbridge and in Colchester Catholics have been part of ecumenical projects that have welcomed families. It would also be an ideal project for an embryonic Parish Partnership to look into.

A very helpful summary is on the Reset website: <u>https://resetuk.org/about/what-is-</u> <u>community-sponsorship</u>

There is also excellent initial information on the CSAN website. Salford Diocese were the first to welcome a family via Community Sponsorship, and their learning has been a huge help. <u>https://www.csan.org.uk/community-sponsorship/</u>

More detailed initial information is in the Home Office's own "step by step" guide: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment

<u>data/file/694789/MiniGuide 16th June.pdf</u>. Caritas Brentwood is recognised as a "Lead Sponsor" which will eliminate some of the hurdles.

Another source of support is Citizens UK who have a dedicated website for this aspect of their work: <u>https://www.sponsorrefugees.org/</u>

Can you help?

Prayer for Afghanistan and the Peoples of the Middle East.

God of Peace, Bearer of Hope, we seek your help for the peoples of the Middle East.

Quiet the clamour of war and guide us towards peace.

Where there is hatred and division, sow seeds of calm and openness.

Where there is destruction help us to rebuild.

Where children are crying, bring an end to tears.

Shelter your peoples and protect them. Guide them and keep them from harm.

Show us how to break down the barriers of history and fear and breathe whispers of love. Amen. CAFOD (based on St. Francis)

Assisted Dying Bill. What can we do?

This October, an 'Assisted Dying' Bill will be debated in the House of Lords. If successful it will allow a terminally ill adult with less than 6 months to live, assistance to commit suicide. The Catholic Church teaches that this represents a crime against human life, we cannot directly choose to take the life of another, even if they request it. The Bishops therefore urge you to **PRAY** this Bill is defeated, **WRITE** to Peers and MPs expressing concern about this proposed legislation and **SHARE** our resources and those of our allies, in the weeks ahead with family and friends, especially via social media.

Guidance on how to write to politicians can be found here: parliament.uk/get-involved/contact-an-mp-or-lord/

Resources, which will be updated in the weeks ahead, can be found here: <u>https://www.cbcew.org.uk/life-issues/</u>

Ladies' Outing to Chelmsford The bus is booked for Chelmsford on Tuesday 19th October. Departing from Our Lady's at 9.30am. Please confirm (01268 778986) if you are coming.

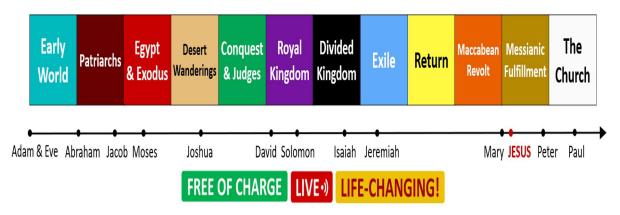
THE BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE

Understand the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, with this **FREE OF CHARGE**, worldwide-famous course delivered online LIVE by Mauro Iannicelli. Eight Wednesday sessions (7pm-8:40pm). Info & Registration: <u>www.comeandsee.org</u>

Alternatively please contact <u>mauro@comeandsee.org</u>

Course Info & Registration: <u>www.comeandsee.org</u>

The Bible Timeline Course



OLOR Theatre Club Pantomime Trip Return!

The Our Lady of Ransom Theatre Club have organised group bookings for Simon Fielding's famous Christmas Pantomimes at Basildon's Towngate Theatre.for almost ten years. After what has been a trying and difficult year, we hope to bring you some festive cheer by inviting you to join us for ' **Beauty and The Beast ' on Saturday 4th December 1pm**. 120 stall seats are reserved! Tickets are £21.50 pp and suitable for ages 3 upwards! Payment is via Bank Transfer only (no cash / cheque). Please email <u>olortheatreclub@hotmail.co.uk</u> to book. Please note, in order for as many to enjoy this experience as possible, we are limiting the tickets to max 8 per household. Clare Mason and OLOR Theatre Club

Scrooge ! Palace Theatre Westcliff

Supporting Amateur Theatre in our local community, OLOR Theatre Club invites you to join us for Charles Dickens unforgettable Christmas Tale 'Scrooge! ' presented by Southend Operatic and Dramatic Society at the recently reopened Palace Theatre on Thursday 25th November 7.30pm. We have now secured seats for this at a reduced price of £15 (all ages) Payment can be in two instalments and we can help arrange car share for anyone wishing to come who needs transport. Spaces limited so please email clare at <u>olortheatreclub@hotmail.co.uk</u> to join us. All welcome.

Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Primary School "OUTSTANDING" REINSPECTION 2016 "GOOD" OFTED INSPECTION 2016						
*** OPEN MORNINGS *** Reception entry September 2022						
Friday 8 th October Monday 6 th December						
Friday 15 th October Friday 7 th January						
Monday 15 th November 9.30am ~ 11.00am						
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Giving to charity in memory of someone special is a beautiful way to celebrate their life. Remember a loved one with a donation to CAFOD today and we'll create a Candlelight Fund in their memory.

Your Candlelight Fund will be a wonderful celebration of your special someone and a ray of hope for families all over the world.

"because the fund allows me to give my son a birthday or Christmas present. It helps to relieve some of the pain on these special occasions"

"because I never stopped loving them and I never will"

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"All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle" Strancis of Arrise

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cafod.org.uk/gogreen	worldgifts@cafod.org.uk	cafod.org.uk/parish-giving

shop.cafod.org.uk/harvest

Cafod Prayer: Walk beside me Lord in the cool of the Day; in the garden you have created as Walk beside us Lord as the cries of the forest pierce the dawn, and flames our common home. rip through our common home. Grant us courage Lord as we walk beside all those who struggle to protect our common home. Grant us hope Lord, and the vision to walk dark paths in the light of a single sunbeam. Grant us grace Lord to put the flourishing of all people and the wonder of your creation at the heart of all we do. As we strive to be guardians of our common home.

St. Francis pray for us

Rest and Reflection Weekend Retreat for adults (3pm Friday 19th – 3pm Sunday 21st November 2021)

We welcome you to join us for a weekend of reflection and prayer in the beautiful house, grounds and chapel of Walsingham House at Abbotswick. The cost is £150 for a single room, £200 for a twin (twin bookings must be made together with someone known to you). This price is for 2 nights accommodation and all meals (all rooms are en-suite). For more information, enquiries and bookings please contact Joe Beattie on 01277 373959 or email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

Remembrance Service at Walsingham House at Abbotswick.

Those who have loved ones remembered within the ground at Walsingham House at Abbotswick are warmly invited to a special Mass of Remembrance on Sunday 7th November at 3pm. Due to capacity please contact Joseph Beattie in advance to reserve a place either on 01277 373959 or josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

Job vacancy – Cook & Kitchen supervisor at Walsingham House Abbotswick.

We are looking to recruit a cook and kitchen supervisor at Walsingham House at Abbotswick (15 hours/week, 39 weeks – Saturday 10.30am – 6.30pm; Sunday 10.00am – 1.30pm & Monday 10.00am – 1.30pm, with the potential for occasional overtime on weekdays), starting in January 2022. If you or any of your family and friends are interested in this role further information and a full job description can found on our website, <u>www.bcys.net/job-vacancy-cook/</u> or by emailing <u>clairebailey@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u>. The closing date is midday on 18th October 2021, however applications will be reviewed as they arrive. Please note that on occasions, posts may close earlier than the closing date due to the volume of applications being received. Early applications are therefore advised.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School Billericay, part of The Christus Catholic Trust, are seeking to appoint for the following positions: Learning Support Assistant, Catering Assistant and Midday Assistant. For more information and application forms, please visit <u>www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk</u>. The closing date for applications is noon on Friday 15th October.

Our Lady of Canvey and the English Martyrs Parish Mission, given by John Pridmore, Monday 18-Wednesday 20 October, 7.30pm Monday: God's love Tuesday: God's mercy Wednesday: God's Healing

FROM ESSEX POLICE -



Protecting and serving Essex

Stopping Adult Sexual Exploitation This

month's newsletter is to coincide with a law enforcement campaign, which started on 6th September 2021, to increase awareness of Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking, in particular focusing upon Adult Sexual Exploitation.

As part of our commitment to tackling organised crime, we are asking for your support in identifying properties that may be being used in this way so that we can work together to protect our Community. You will undoubtedly be aware of the detrimental effects, misery and harm that modern slavery, trafficking and sexual exploitation bring, not only to our wider communities but, in particular, to those vulnerable individuals within society who are often forced, coerced or exploited into carrying out this illegal activity on behalf of organised gangs Types of Adult Sexual Exploitation

There are 2 main ways in which victims become involved in Adult Sexual Exploitation: 1. The victims are smuggled into the UK illegally and are If you have any information about possible organised crime, victims of such crime or vulnerable people subject of exploitation,

please inform Essex Police or CrimeStoppers on 0800 555111 Organised Crime Newsletter forced into prostitution in order to pay off their debts. 2. The victims are vulnerable UK citizens and the Organised Crime Groups pray upon their vulnerabilities through threats of violence or by supplying them drugs or alcohol. Signs of Sexual Exploitation • A longer-term rent of more than 2 weeks and less than 2 months of any premise. • Frequent visitors throughout the day and night • Rubbish full of condoms and massage oil • Curtains closed permanently during the day and night • A variety of cars parked up on the drive during the hire period. • Evidence that numerous people have been staying at the address, not just the number listed (modern day slaves could be kept 4 or more to a room meant for just 1 person) • Occupants not seen to leave the premise during the time of the hire • Complaints by neighbours of an increased level of noise or anti-social behaviour •

General suspicious behaviour How to report: Should you have any concerns about child exploitation then please report via one of these ways: ◆ POLICE immediate threat to life - 999 ◆ To report a crime or for advice around any concerns you

may have - 101 or online at www.essex.police.uk

The confidential UK Modern Slavery Helpline on 08000 121 700 or online at www.unseen.org ◆ CrimeStoppers on 0800 555 111 or submit information via their anonymous online form.



Criminals continue to target the elderly

Essex Police is warning the public to protect their loved ones as criminals cheat older and vulnerable victims out of cash and high value items through courier fraud.



SOME USEFUL NUMBERS THAT MAY HELP YOU, YOUR FAMILIES OR NEIGHBOURS.



ABUSE AND OTHER HELPLINES – USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police - call 999 – if you cannot respond due to danger, tap the mobile handset or cough, then when prompted press 55 (this takes you straight through to the police)

Freephone National Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0808 200 0247

www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk

Men's advice line 0808 801 0327 www.mensadviceline.org.uk							
Rape Crisis	0808 9999	www.rapecrisis.org.uk					
Respect ph	oneline	0808 999 4040	www.respec	tphoneline.	org.uk		
Karma Nirvana – a national honour based abuse helpline0808 5999 247support@karmanirvana.org.uk							
Stay Safe East0208 519 7241 (focus on people with disabilities)Text 07587 134122							
NSPCC	0808 800 500	0 Email help	@nspcc.org.uk				
Childline	0800 1111						

Child Exploitation and Online Protection <u>www.thinkuknow.co.uk</u>

This site offers help for parents and children (at their level) from 4years old upwards.

Coronavirus-related scams / Fraud or Attempted Fraud

For the latest information go to http://actionfraud.police.uk/news

If you or someone you know is vulnerable and has been a victim of fraud, please call Essex Police on 101. Report fraud or attempted fraud by contacting Action Fraud at <u>www.actionfraud.police.uk</u> or call 0300 123 2040.

SUPPORT -

Anxiety Call 08444 775774

Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD)

email – support@ocdaction.org.uk

Call 0845 390 6232 skype 0303 040 1112

ABUSE: Victim Support – Safe Spaces

Safe Spaces is a free and independent support service, providing a confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been, or feels, they have experienced abuse through their relationship with the Catholic Church of England and Wales. Telephone 0300 303 1056 Email: <u>safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk</u> LiveChat at <u>www.SafeSpacesEnglandWales.org.uk</u>



ISOLATED DUE TO CORONAVIRUS - HOW TO OBTAIN HELP

The source of your support depends on which category of 'shielding' you fall into. **Category 1** - you have been contacted by the NHS and told to remain at home for 12 weeks. You are being supported directly from the government. If you were not contacted by the NHS and told this then you do not fall into this category.

Category 2 - anyone over the age of 70, plus anyone under the age of 70 with certain serious health conditions plus pregnant women - you are being supported by Essex County Council through their Essex Welfare Service. Please contact them on 0300 303 9988.

Category 3 - Everyone else.

You are supported by the **new helpline** set up by Rochford District Council in partnership with local faith groups, churches and voluntary organisations. If you have no friends or family close by and you need support during this crisis, or are feeling isolated, please call **01268 779999**.



ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN COUNSELLOR'S (ACC) COVID-19 CRISIS COUNSELLING SUPPORT SERVICE



ACC have set up a new service – a Covid 19 Crisis Counselling

Support Service (CCSS) for NHS frontline staff, People working in a residential care home setting being directly impacted by caring for people who have Covid-19 and people who have been bereaved during the COVID-19 epidemic in the U.K.

The crisis counselling support service offers up to ten sessions of counselling on a no fee basis.

To find out more please visit ACC's website www.acc-uk.org or if you don't have access to a computer, please ring 024 7644 9694.

READINGS AT MASS – 28th Sunday of the Year

First reading – Wisdom 7:7-11

Psalm 89: 12-17 ` Fill Us with Your Love so that We may rejoice...

Second reading – Hebrews 4:12-13

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed Are You Father, Lord of Heaven and Earth, for revealing the mysteries of the Kingdom to mere Children... Alleluia

Gospel – Mark 10:17-30

