

OUR LADY OF RANSOM

Pentecost 5th June 2022 Psalter Week 1



Do you hate change? Many people do. A new boss. A new neighbour. A new teacher. A new priest. What are they going to be like? Will they...? Might they...? Newness and change can leave us uneasy. People want what they know - frightened of the unknown. Many want security, control, predictability. But without change and newness there is no growth, no development, no maturing. For those uneasy with change, today's feast may not help. Maybe that is why this is often the forgotten feast, and the Holy Spirit is often the forgotten part of the Blessed Trinity. Notice how this Holy Spirit changed and energised the disciples to go out and preach and not be frightened anymore.

Pentecost is telling us that God will not, and can not be controlled. God as Holy Spirit is not static, so we see him symbolised as a dove, wind, fire. Notice how these symbols are dynamic, energetic, alive, moving, and available to all. Never controllable. Never predictable. So if we always need to be in control, if we hate change, this feast may not help. It's saying to give up the need to always be in control and predict, rather, just enjoy and share God's presence.

The Spirit wants to generate, change, multiply in ever new life-forms (just look at the world under the sea), through joy, life, excitement, intimacy, movement. Maybe as the wind, He is breathing out ever new life in diverse forms. So, hating change is effectively a disowning of the third person of the Holy Trinity.

Yet the Spirit wants to keep all this diverse changeable life connected, united, reconciled. Maybe as fire, the Spirit melts barriers and boundaries, such as barriers between people, so we stop hiding behind labels, groups, categories, titles, creeds and ethnicities.

The Spirit is universal, creating diversity, yet uniting everyone and everything.

Is this Holy Spirit part of our lives? As the wind - breathing newness, change and diversity so we grow and mature; as fire - melting and disintegrating barriers between us bringing unity and reconciliation? What do we do with this third person of the Blessed Trinity?

Today's Readings

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

Psalm: Psalm 96(97):1-2b, 6-7, 9

Second Reading: Apocalypse 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

Gospel: John 17:20-26



MASS INTENTIONS	
Saturday 4th June	
5.30pm Mass	Confirmation Candidates Ints
Sunday 5th June	Pentecost Sunday
8am Mass	Parish Community
10am Mass	Nora McErlean Ints (Sonya McKenna)
Monday 6th June	Mary, Mother of the Church
7.15pm Mass	Terry Askem RIP (Susan and Damien Lucibello)
Tuesday 7th June	
	Hemming Family RIP
Wednesday 8th June	
10.00am Mass	Emma Louise Lucibello RIP (Susan & Damien Lucibello)
Thursday 9th June	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest
8am Mass	Alice Allso RIP
Friday 10th June	
10.00am Mass	Terry Askem RIP (Tom and Isobel Kennedy)
Saturday 11th June	St. Barnabas
5.30pm Mass	David Conyer RIP (Mike and Tricia Curnock)
Sunday 12th June	The Most Holy Trinity
8am Mass	Terry Askem RIP (Shirley McCamley)
10.00am Mass	Parish Community

All Masses and Church Services are now Live Streamed.

***To take part please go to <https://stream.seccomgroup.com/channel/olor>
Masses can be watched "live" or later as a recording.***

<p>PARISH PRIEST Father Paul Fox 50 London Hill, Rayleigh Essex SS6 7HP 01268 38.24.99 www.olorchurch.org email: rayleigh@dioceseofbrentwood.org</p>	<p><u>Public Mass times:</u> Saturdays 5.30pm Sundays 8am & 10.00am Mondays 7.15pm Wednesdays 10.00am Fridays 10.00am <i>Please be aware - Times and days of Masses are subject to change.</i></p>
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ANNIVERSARIES †

Kindly pray for Pamela Denton, Mary Agnes Manton, and Stephen Persue whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they rest in peace.

† **Joyce McCarthy RIP.** Please keep Joyce and her family in your prayers. Her Requiem Mass will be at Our Lady's at 11am on Thursday June 23rd. May she rest in peace. †

10.00am Sunday Mass – has now been restored.

Please keep Stephanie, Grace, Caleb Matthew and William in your prayers. They are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend.



First Holy Communion Masses will take place on Sundays June 12th, 19th, 26th and July 3rd – all at the 10am Mass. We keep all the children in our prayers.

First Holy Communion Notice

Current First Holy Communion group, please note that the session on Thursday 9th June will be at a slightly longer time of 5pm till 6.30pm.



Please note: 8am Mass on Thursday June 9th celebrating Christ the Eternal High Priest.

Please have a read of the notice at the end of the newsletter regarding the Beatification of Pauline Jaricot.

Church vandalism. We understand that the suspect who vandalised our church window is now in custody and being charged.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS:

Please ensure all items for the parish newsletter are submitted to the office by **11am on Thursdays** at the latest.



“Kids” Bulletin

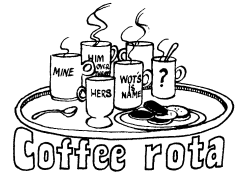
A children's version of the gospel is available weekly. This can be accessed on the following website: www.thekidsbulletin.com and is aimed at primary school children. It can be downloaded and printed out.

Children's Liturgy- it has been wonderful to have children's liturgy sessions over the last few weeks, welcoming new children and those who have returned. We are pleased to

advise that there will be children's liturgy during June and July, at the 10am mass, for age group 3-8. (Any further adjustments will be included in the newsletter). Thanks for your support and thanks to the children for their enthusiasm!

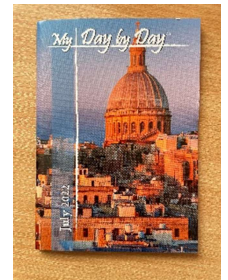
Sunday Coffee Mornings

If you are interested in hosting a Coffee Morning after 10am Sunday Masses to raise money for a charity of your choice, please contact the parish office by midday on Thursdays.



My Day by Day Booklets:

New My Day by Day Booklets for June and July are available to purchase at the back of church. £1 each.



Walsingham House Team 2022/23: Gap Year opportunity starting September 2022, for those in current year 13, up to age 22.

Details on www.bcys.net or contact Joseph Beattie – phone 01277 373959 or email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org

THINKING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? ...

The next RCIA meeting will be on Monday 6th June at 8pm in the Bethany Room.

If you are interested in joining the programme, please contact Fr. Paul for more details. (01268 382499 / rayleigh@dioceseofbrentwood.org)



The Universe – Catholic Paper.

If you are interested and would like to subscribe to this paper please go to:

sales@universecatholicweekly.co.uk

Tel: 0743 661 7650

Michelle Jones is Head of Circulation

THE DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE IN 2022, led by Bishop Alan, will take place from Sunday 24 – Friday 29 July in Lourdes. Costs have not yet been confirmed.

This will be the first time in three years that the diocese has returned to Lourdes. Brochures for the pilgrimage, which will include costs, will be available soon. If you would like further information now, please contact Cathy O'Connor, the Administrative Director: cathy@dioceseofbrentwood.org or 07813 710070.

YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN – A STUDY DAY FROM GIDEA PARK

On Saturday 18th June from 11 am Fr Gerard Bradley will lead a study day entitled 'Your sins are forgiven: exploring the sacrament of pardon and peace'. To follow this free live streamed event please go to www.whatgoodnews.org Our speaker, Fr Gerard Bradley, is a parish

priest in the archdiocese of Southwark and taught Liturgy and Spirituality at St John's Seminary, Womersley. Two sessions will be followed by the opportunity for questions. The event will end by 1 pm. Recording of the study day will be made available subsequently on www.whatgoodnews.org

Vocation – Enquirers' Evening

The next "Enquirers' Evening" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is this Tuesday 7th June at St Edmund of Canterbury Church in Loughton. The speaker will be Mgr John Armitage.

For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org

LATE VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD:

A vocation discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 will take place at St Beuno's in North Wales from Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th September 2022. The direct link for further details and booking: Discernment Weekend

<https://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/discernment-weekend-older-men-2>

Poverty Challenge

Following the pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), the Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England and Wales, has released a free new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty, and to inform local responses. Please take a moment to read and encourage groups and individuals to engage with it. Download from www.csan.org.uk

St Bon's Alumni Event - 17th June 2022, 4-6:30pm

All former students and staff are welcome to attend - please help spread the word! Order a ticket at: www.stbons.org/alumni - Email any questions to alumni@stbons.org

Lunchtime H A R P Recital Wednesday 8th June at Brentwood Cathedral 1pm - 1.45pm

Please do join us next Wednesday 8th June at 1pm – 1.45pm for a lovely Lunchtime HARP Recital which will be performed by Caroline Nielssen-Breman who recently finished her studies at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

For those of you who have not been before, we have adequate parking in the Cathedral grounds. There is no admission fee, but we do welcome any donation you can afford to give. Refreshments are served afterwards in our adjacent Song School.

Barn Dance – Home Start Essex Home-Start Essex is a leading family support charity offering practical and emotional support to families with young children across mid, south and west Essex. They recruit and train volunteers who visit families in their homes on a weekly basis for up to six months, this can be to help with practical tasks, to help reduce isolation, to support parents' mental health and emotional wellbeing and to help families implement routines.

They are holding a fundraising barn dance at the British Legion Club in Rayleigh on Friday 15th July to help raise some much-needed funds to enable them to support more families. Further details, go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/barn-dance-with-live-traditional-caller-sibby-tickets-329507916047>



Home Help Available

Trusted parishioner, reliable and CRB checked.

Full references provided on request.

Call Linda Felton on 07949169276

FACE COVERINGS:

Although the legal requirement to wear a face covering no longer applies, the government suggests you continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces. ***We strongly encourage parishioners to continue wearing a face covering/mask while moving around the Church. While you are in your place in Church, please feel free to remove your face covering if you so wish.***

PUBLIC MASSES

Please do not come if you have symptoms, sniffles, sneezes, coughs, immunity issues etc.

Use common sense and think of others.

Social Distance should be maintained as much as possible – again – out of mutual respect.

Please continue to follow only the directions of the Welcomers.

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

The church will continue to be both cleansed and sanitised regularly

Wash your hands, cover your face, make space.



PLEASE SAVE YOUR USED STAMPS....

Please continue to save your used stamps and leave them in the container in the Porch.

Ruth Fitzgerald would like to thank everyone who has donated used stamps – these have been passed on to the MS charity.

MASS AND SYMPATHY CARDS...

These can be obtained at the repository shop and the presbytery.

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. If you are a taxpayer and donate to the parish online, 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

(olorgiftaid@hotmail.com / 01268 772998) if you have any questions. Thank you.



GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR NEW TAX YEAR

We want to encourage everyone to pay online, so envelopes will need to be requested. There will be no Special Collection envelopes for those paying by Standing Order. Please use either the charity's own Special Collection envelope, or pay online using your Surname, Gift Aid No. and Charity Name or use a blank/yellow envelope with your details printed on the front.

St Peter's Catholic Opportunities

St Peter's Catholic Primary School are hoping to engage with teachers that may be looking for a career move now or in the near future. We are a two- form entry school with fantastic children and very supportive parents. We invest a lot of time and resources into our CPD so there are great opportunities for you to develop your career here with us. If you would like an informal chat with our Headteacher or a visit to the school, please contact Teresa Lammin by email on finance@st-peters-pri.essex.sch.uk or telephone 01277 653770

St Bernard's High School

A Catholic Academy for Arts and Science

Open Evening for Year 5 Students

(Prospective Year 7 in 2023)

Wednesday 6 July 2022 6.00pm to 9.00pm

We would be delighted to welcome Year 5 girls and their parents/carers to our Open Evening. This is an evening for girls wishing to join Year 7 in September 2023.

We are also offering an opportunity for parents/carers to visit the school during a normal teaching day, dates will be published on our website later this academic year.

St Bernard's High School offers selective places based on success in the CSSE selective tests and non-selective places according to faith-based admissions criteria. (Please see school website for full details.)

'The school is welcoming and inclusive. In 2015, many pupils made significantly better progress than other pupils nationally' Ofsted 2016

'The gifted, able and talented programme provides challenging enrichment across all year groups and is acknowledged by the NACE Award' Ofsted 2016

'St Bernard's High School is an outstanding Catholic school... Attainment and progress of students is outstanding' (Diocesan Inspection, 2017)

www.stbernardswestcliff.org.uk, Milton Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex SS0 7JS Tel: 01702 343583

Beatification of Pauline Jaricot, 22nd May 2022

Venerable Pauline Jaricot, one of the founders of **Missio**, was beatified on Sunday 22 May 2022 in her hometown of Lyon, France, which takes us a step closer towards Blessed Pauline becoming a Saint.

Pauline was born in 1799 to a wealthy family. Amid the turmoil of the French Revolution, her parents gave her a loving upbringing and a living faith. She was inspired by her parents' faith and acts of charity.

She suffered illness, injury and the loss of her older brother and Mother, all of which changed her life. She gave away her finery and began to take care of people living in poverty, making daily trips to a local hospice to tend and accompany those who were dying. Prayer, including her devotion to the Rosary, was central to Pauline's life. At the age of only nineteen, she came up with the idea of gathering people together in groups of ten to pray for missionaries, and to support the Church in mission areas by contributing a penny each week.

Around the age of 30, Pauline suffered more personal hardship.

Both her brother Phileas and sister Laurette died and shortly afterwards Pauline suffered a heart attack.

Through it all, she took refuge in prayer. And although she had to step back from some of her charitable works, she established the Daughters of Mary, a community of young lay women devoted to prayer.

Pauline also wanted to help workers living in terrible conditions and poverty. She created a factory in Lyon, called Our Lady of Angels, which produced devotional objects and sacred art, and ensured good living and working conditions. It was one of the first 'fair factories'.

Sadly, her business managers swindled her, and the enterprise collapsed. Many tried to discredit Pauline. Financially and socially ruined, she remained strong in her faith until she died peacefully on 9 January 1862.

Like so many of the volunteers in our parish who work tirelessly and quietly in the background, Pauline Jaricot had a passion for mission and was fervently committed to supporting the missionary activities of our Church. Her love, determination and vision created the *Association for the Propagation of the Faith* (APF), which forms the backbone of Missio's work through the Red Box with our partners – the Mill Hill Missionaries.

Through you, our global Church can continue to show the love of Christ to everyone, especially those in greatest need. Our wonderful network of prayer and charity continues to ensure missionaries are provided with the spiritual and material support they require, so that they can work with local people to build and sustain their own faith communities.

You are following in Pauline's footsteps; echoing her love for those who suffer and providing the gift of faith to those who are yet to hear the Good News.

Pauline's life shows us that every prayer, however short, and every contribution, however small, is valued by God. By joining together, we really can transform our world.

Please join us in praying for our parish volunteers, for missionaries and the communities they serve. You can visit missio.org.uk to find out more about this remarkable woman and ways to celebrate her life.

BLESSED
PAULINE
JARICOT

1799 - 1862



Beatified 22 May 2022

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Today. Tomorrow. Together.

God our Father,
we give thanks for your servant,
Blessed Pauline Jaricot, who,
through her commitment to the Gospel
and passion for mission,
began the work of Missio.

Despite carrying many crosses,
she never closed her heart
to the needs of the poor.

Following the example of your Son,
fortified by a life of prayer
and nourished by the Eucharist,
she helped to build your Kingdom
of justice and mercy.

May we, like Blessed Pauline,
share our faith humbly and charitably,
and through prayer and action,
work together to make your love known
to all of creation.

Grant through her intercession
the favour I now ask of you...
(here make your petition).

Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory be.

missio.org.uk

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