



CLERGY

Parish Priest
Fr Martin Hardy

Assistant Priests
Fr Michael Barwick
&
Fr Paul Boagey

Deacon
Rev. Kevin Lyons

PARISH OFFICE

Open 9-1pm
Weekdays
The Presbytery
Beardsley Drive
Springfield
Chelmsford
CM1 6GQ

Parish Administrator
Ginny Parry

OUR CHURCHES

The Holy Name
163 Lucas Avenue
CM2 9JR

Our Lady Immaculate
122 New London Rd
CM2 0RG

St Augustine of Canterbury
Beardsley Drive
CM1 6GQ

OUR SCHOOLS

Our Lady Immaculate
Catholic Primary
School

The Bishops' C of E
& R C Primary
School

St John Payne
Catholic School

New Hall School
Catholic
Independent Ages
1-18

Brentwood R.C.
Diocesan Trust Reg.
Charity No : 234092

Deadline for items for
inclusion in the parish
newsletter 9am
Thursday

Sunday 28th December 2025 (Year A)

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Date	Time	Service *	Intention
Saturday 27th	6:00pm	Vigil Mass; HN	Lilian Joan Taylor (Anniversary)
Sunday 28th THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH	8:00am	Latin Mass; HN	Celebrant's Intentions
	9:00am	Mass; OLI	Mary and Ron Nicholas (RIP)
	9:00am	Mass; SA	Anu Family
	10:45am	Mass; HN	Roy Sidoli (RIP)
	12Noon	Mass; OLI	Dr Lazar Chandy (Anniversary)
	4:30pm	Polish Mass; OLI	Celebrant's Intentions
	5:30pm	Mass; NH	NO MASS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
	7:00pm	Mass; OLI	For All Parishioners
Monday 29th ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY	7:30pm	Mass; HN	Mike Healy (RIP)
Tuesday 30th	12:30pm	Mass; OLI	Anna and Gaetano Falzarano (RIP)
Wednesday 31st	9:30am	Mass; OLI	Dave Silver (RIP)
Thursday 1st MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	12:00am	Mass; OLI	For All Parishioners
	Midnight		
	12Noon	Mass; OLI	Duncan Hayes (RIP)
Friday 2nd Ss Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen	7:30am	Mass; OLI	Enid Macleod (RIP)
	9:30am	Mass; SA	Mike Healy (RIP)
Saturday 3rd	10:30am	Mass; OLI	Rosa and Denis Wright (Anniversary)
	12Noon	Mass; SA	Kitty Scotson (RIP)
	6:00pm	Vigil Mass; HN	Intentions of Kathleen Morgan
Sunday 4th SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY	8:00am	Latin Mass; HN	Celebrant's Intentions
	9:00am	Mass; OLI	Alice Edith Stone
	9:00am	Mass; SA	Robin Chester (RIP)
	10:45am	Mass; HN	For All Parishioners
	12Noon	Mass; OLI	Moira Moriarty
	5:30pm	Mass; NH	NO MASS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
	7:00pm	Mass; OLI	Intentions of Fr Martin Hardy

*HN Holy Name Church, OLI Our Lady Immaculate Church, SA St Augustine of Canterbury Church, NH New Hall School Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Saturdays:

9:30am to 10:30am at Our Lady Immaculate.

11:30am to 12Noon at St Augustine Church.

5:15pm to 5:45pm at Holy Name.

Mondays:

7:00pm-7:30pm at Holy Name.

SVP Furniture Project:

For furniture project donations or assistance, call the furniture bank directly on 0330 0436474.

Live-streamed Masses

From Our Lady Immaculate Church

<https://tinyurl.com/OLIChelmsford>

From The Holy Name Church

<https://tinyurl.com/theholyname>

Baptism, Marriage and becoming a Catholic enquiries:

Please contact the Parish Office.

For Hospital or Sick Visits:

To be added to sick list for prayer, please contact the Parish Office. Please contact the Parish Office if you or a family member are sick or housebound, so a Priest or the Legion of Mary can visit you.

GOODBYE FR MARTIN : Fr Martin will celebrate his final Sunday Mass in the parish at 7pm on Sunday 4th January. All are warmly invited to come along afterwards to the Parish Hall at Our Lady Immaculate for a farewell gathering and light refreshments to thank him for his ministry and wish him well in his new role as Dean of Norwich Cathedral. Envelopes for his leaving collection are available in the back of the churches.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION APPLICATIONS NOW

OPEN: There are forms available in the back of the Church and online at <https://www.chelmsfordcatholic.co.uk/sacraments/fhc2026> for this years First Holy Communion Programme with Fr Michael. The course is for children in Yr 3 and above. Applications close on Friday 9th January.

CARITAS EVENT: You are invited to join Caritas Brentwood at our upcoming 'Responding to Homelessness' event on Saturday, January 24th 2026 (10am-12:30pm). The event will be hosted by St Francis of Assisi Catholic Parish in Stratford. It will offer practical support, shared insights and meaningful discussions with local organisations, including Your Place Anchor House, Rainham Foodbank and the Basildon Night Shelter, who are all working on the frontline of homelessness. For more information and to register for free, go to: www.caritasbrentwood.org/events

VACANCIES ACROSS DIOCESE: For more information about the following posts please see <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>

Headteacher – St Peter's Primary School, Romford

Deadline for applications: 12:00 (noon), Tuesday 6th January 2026

Headteacher – St Mary's Primary School, Hornchurch

Deadline for applications: 17:00, Friday 9th January 2026

Headteacher – The Bishops' CofE and Catholic School, Chelmsford

Deadline for applications: 12:00 (noon), Friday 16th January 2026

Headteacher – Holy Family Primary School, Benfleet

Deadline for applications: 09:00, Wednesday 28th January 2026

For information about the post below please see more details at: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/diocese/working-for-us/>

Parish Administrator – Wickford Our Lady of Sorrows, 16 Hours a week, Deadline for applications: 12Noon on 9th January 2026

MASS TIME CHANGES AND NEW YEAR: On the 31st January at 11pm there is one hour of adoration before the Mass at 12:00am on the 1st of January 2026 to see in the New Year in Our Lady Immaculate Church. All very welcome.

THE DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE: London is holding a Divine Mercy Advent Reflection on Saturday 20 December from 1 pm - 4:30 pm at St Mary Mother of God, 213 Hornchurch Road, Hornchurch, Essex RM12 4TF The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome. Please call Millie on 07957594646 for more information

THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: The SVP provides practical help to those in need. If you or someone you know could use support, call us on 07936 579230, or contact the Parish Office.

THE LEGION OF MARY: Support many through their prayer and in person ministry across the Parish. They meet in OLI Hall on Tuesdays at 10am and Holy Name Canon Wilson Hall on Thursdays at 7pm. New members welcome.



A Prayer for the New Year

Lord God,

As we begin a new year, we place our time, our hopes, and our uncertainties in your hands. We thank you for the graces of the year now past, and for your faithfulness through all that it held.

Give us hearts open to your Spirit, courage to live the Gospel day by day, and trust in your presence as we walk into the year ahead.

Keep our parish rooted in prayer, generous in love, and steady in hope, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND ALL FAMILIES WHO MOURN.

Sheelagh HILL (RIP) Requiem Mass on Friday 16th January at 11am in Our Lady Immaculate Church.

John MURPHY (RIP) Requiem Mass on Friday 23rd January at 11am in Our Lady Immaculate Church.

Ben WILLIAMS (RIP) Requiem Mass to be arranged in St Augustine Church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF OUR PARISHES, (AND ALL WHO ARE SICK.)

Susan Ager, Helen Bastian, Annie Blake, Maureen Byrne, Marie Callahan, Valerie Cummins, Doreen Cornish, Antonia Dias, Victoria Docherty, Peter Dodson, Madeleine East, Troy Erickson, Marta Fevola, Mary Fletcher, Teresa Foster, Michael Hoare, Shelia Hughes, John Grainger, Robert Godfrey, Connor Hickey, Cathy Ingram, Gary Iliffe, Maureen Leatherdale, Stuart Lucas, Margaret Lowrey, Anne Lowden, Kevin Lyons, Jim Machin, Maura Magee, Shelia Mayo, Henry McKeon, Monica McShane, Donny McColl, Anne Newland, Ann McDonald, Margaret O'Sullivan, Christine Staines, Maureen Sullivan, Patrick Waters, Anja Welsh-Smyth, Paddy Westrip, Gayle Williams.