



CLERGY

Parish Priest

Fr Bartolomeu Blaj

Assistant Priests

Fr Michael Barwick
&

Fr Paul Boagey

Deacon

Rev. Kevin Lyons

PARISH OFFICE

Open 9-1pm
Weekdays

The Presbytery
145 New London Rd
Rochester House
Chelmsford
CM2 0QT

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
The Avenue
CM3 3HS

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

Deadline for items for
inclusion in the parish
newsletter 9am

Sunday 30th August 2026

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Date	Time	Service *	Intention
Saturday 29th August THE PASSION OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST	6:00pm	Mass; HN	Edgar DeSOUZA (RIP)
Sunday 30th August TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)	8:00am 9:00am 9:00am 10:45am 12Noon 2:00pm 7:00pm	Latin Mass Mass; OLI Mass; SA Mass; HN Mass; OLI Romanian Mass;OLI Mass; OLI	NO MASS Michael McAllen (anniversairy) Tracey Parnell (RIP) For all Parishioners Elaine Larner (Anniversary) Celebrants Intentions Intentions of Mr and Mrs Vucevic
Monday 31st August	7:30pm	Mass; HN	Billy Coughian (RIP)
Tuesday 1st September ST SEBBI	12:30pm	Mass; OLI	James McNamara
Wednesday 2nd September	9:30am	Mass; OLI	Intention of Canon Michael Joseph Wilson
Thursday 3rd September ST GREGORY THE GREAT	9:30am 11:00am	Mass; HN Mass; SA	Jeanne Pompeus (RIP) Henry McIntosh (RIP)
Friday 4th September	7:30am 9:30am	Mass; OLI Mass; SA	Holy Souls Michael and Eileen Doube (RIP)
Saturday 5th September	10:30am 12 Noon 6:00pm	Mass; OLI Mass; SA Mass; HN	Intentions of Sr. Anne, Francisca and Cecilia Paul and Oliver Henney (Anniversary) Adolfina Rebello (RIP)
Sunday 6th September TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)	8:00am 9:00am 9:00am 10:45am 12Noon 2:00pm 7:00pm	Latin Mass Mass; OLI Mass; SA Mass; HN Mass; OLI Romanian Mass;OLI Mass; OLI	Celebrants Intentions For all Parishioners Mary Kokun Aliu (RIP) James & Maria O'Farrell (Anniversary) Betty Tan Bee Choo (RIP) Celebrants Intentions Intention of the Goldsmith Family

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

Baptism, Marriage and becoming a Catholic enquiries:

Please contact the Parish Office.

Live-streamed Masses

From Our Lady Immaculate Church and Holy Name.
Information available on our website

For Hospital or Sick Visits: Should your loved one be in hospital, a local Care Home or housebound Parish Visitors can visit them. Please contact the Parish office, including for details on to be added to the sick list.

For further news on Parish events and activities see the website, You are also warmly invited to join the

WhatsApp update channel for the linked parishes - scan the barcode to join our community channel.



THANK YOU FR PAUL AND FR MICHAEL - This weekend we say a fond farewell to Fr Paul and Fr Michael, with deep gratitude for all they have given to our parishes through their ministry and service. Fr Michael leaves us to become Parish Priest of Braintree, while Fr Paul takes up his new ministry as Priest Chaplain at HMP Chelmsford. We assure them both of our prayers as they begin these new chapters. May the Lord bless Fr Paul and Fr Michael, guide them in their new ministries, and bless those who come among us. Lord, keep us all united in faith, hope and love. Amen.

FR MICHAEL LEAVING PARTY: Fr Michael will be having his leaving party at OLI Parish hall on Friday 4th September at 7:30pm. Please come along to say farewell and thank him for all he has done for the parishes during his time here in Chelmsford. Please bring Donations of Food and Drink.

CATECHISTS WANTED: If you would like to join the catechist teams for First Holy Communion, RCIA or Conformation please contact the Parish office. We are particularly looking for Catechists from OLI.

RCIA CATECHIST MEETING: If you are interested in becoming a Catechist for RCIA, a meeting is being held in the Parish Office on 18th September at 7pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 26/27: Help your child take their next step in a lifelong friendship with Jesus. Enrolment is now open for our parish preparation programme for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Enrolment form—available at the back of the church and online and return it to Fr Barto or the Parish Office **2nd October at 7pm - Parents Meeting, 1st Session 10th October 9:30am SA. Deadline for applications - Friday, 27th September 2026**

CONFIRMATION 26/27: Are you ready to be sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and deepen your baptismal grace? We invite candidates to enrol in our upcoming Confirmation preparation programme. To take this beautiful step in spiritual maturity, please complete an enrolment form—available at the back of the church and online and return it to Fr Barto or the Parish Office. **1st Session 4th October - 3pm OLI. Deadline for applications 20 September 2026**

RCIA 25/26 GET TOGETHER: Those that took part in the RCIA programmed last year (25/26) we are inviting you to a get together on 22nd September at 7pm in The Holy Name Parish Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

RCIA 26/27 PROGRAMME: Are you or someone you know seeking to draw closer to Christ and explore the beauty of the Catholic faith? The new RCIA programme begins on Wednesday 7th October at 7:30pm in the Our Lady Immaculate (OLI) parish hall. Whether you are seeking Baptism, looking to enter into full communion with the Church, or simply wishing to deepen your spiritual journey, you are most welcome. To register your interest, please complete an RCIA Enrolment Form and return it directly to Fr Barto or the Parish Office.

SAFEGUARDING MEETING: For all involved with work across our Parishes. Date for your diary - Wednesday 16th September at 7:30pm a meeting for all in Our Lady Immaculate Parish Hall.

PARISH READERS: If you are interested in becoming a reader in Church, please contact the parish office. On Wednesday 30th September there will be a retreat evening in Our Lady Immaculate Church at 6:30pm for all current and prospective readers from across our Parishes.

PARISH PICNIC: Join us for our first Parish Picnic on Sunday, 6 September 2026, 1pm to 4pm at the Holy Name Church Grounds. A great opportunity to gather together and meet our new Assistant Priests, Fr Janos and Fr Shajin Jose! Please bring your own picnic lunch, chairs, blankets & outdoor games.

THE PARISHIONER MAGAZINE: Our next edition of the Parishioner Parish magazine comes out on Sunday 20th September. We would be very grateful for any contributions you might like to make, especially items of parish news. All articles should be with the editor at theparishioner@hotmail.co.uk by the 30th August.

NEW OLI HALL CHARGES: Following a recent parish finance meeting, OLI parish hall hire rates and guidelines have been updated due to a loss of hall income and recent property damages. Available exclusively to OLI parishioners, the hall can now be reserved for private events like parties and baptisms at a rate of £25 per hour Monday to Thursday, and £30 per hour Friday to Saturday, with Sundays remaining closed for private hire. Existing bookings will be fully honoured at their original rates, and essential parish ministries like the SVP and Legion of Mary will continue to use the space free of charge. To secure a new date, please collect a booking form from the back of the church or download it online, and submit it along with a £50 non-refundable deposit plus a £100 security deposit (fully refundable if the hall is left immaculate), with the remaining balance due six weeks before your event.

THE LEGION OF MARY: Meet every Tuesday at 10am in OLI Parish Hall. If you would like to pray and put your faith in action, then come along and help us spread the faith through local ministry and community outreach. All warmly welcome.

WALK FOR BCCS: The Knights of St Columba will be doing a Walk to raise funds for BCCS. We will start from the Viper, Mill Green (CM4 0PT), at 10.00 on Saturday, 12 September. Please e-mail John Holland (john_l_holland@icloud.com). On Wednesday, 7 October at 20.00, Chelmsford Knights of St. Columba Annual Lecture “Why Youth Ministry”. The speaker Fr. Michael Barwick, location St. Augustine’s Church, Springfield (CM1 6GQ)

ANGLIA RUSKIN UNIVERSITY: If you are a Catholic studying at Anglia Ruskin University from this September, please get in touch with Fr Bartolomeu in person or via the Parish Office.

BYCS EVENTS: Youth Mass – First Thursday of Each Month - Cathedral at 7:30pm. BCYS Rooted 2026 – Years 7–9 / Years 10–13 Saturday 24th October for years 7–9 / Sunday 25th October for years 10–13. Catechist Training & Resources Day – Saturday 7th November: from 10am–3pm. Free event. FLAME 2027 – Saturday 6th March: Open to young people in Year 9 and above, from £30.

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

Bridget Donald Requiem Mass will be held at Our Lady Immaculate on 8th September at 10:30am.

Margaret Kirkham Requiem Mass will be held at Our Lady Immaculate on 9th September at 11am, her body will be received in 4:30pm 8th September.

Kathleen Wade (Dolly), Funeral Service will be held at Chelmsford Crematorium on 9th September at 1pm.

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

Thomas Welsh-Smyth, James Patient, Susan Ager, Helen Bastian, Annie Blake, Maureen Byrne, Marie Callahan, S.Casimir OSM, Valerie Cummins, Doreen Cornish, Antonia Dias, Victoria Docherty, Madeleine East, Troy Erickson, Marta Fevola, Teresa Foster, Moreen Healy, Michael Hoare, Shelia Hughes, John Grainger, Robert Godfrey, Peter Hamilton, Connor Hickey, Gary Iliffe, Maureen Leatherdale, Stuart Lucas, Anne Lowden, Kevin Lyons, Jim Machin, Maura Magee, Shelia Mayo, Donny McColl, Henry McKeon, Monica McShane, Anne Newland, Ann McDonald, Margaret O'Sullivan, Christine Staines,