

## Mass Intentions

February 14th to February 22nd

<b>Saturday 14th</b>	<b>10-11am</b> Confessions (or anytime by appointment) <b>6.00pm</b> Beryl Richmond (RIP)
<b>Sunday 15th</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Janet Odenigbo Intention. <b>11.00am</b> Claudia Mwansa Kaoma (RIP)
<b>Monday 16th</b>	<b>No Mass Church closed.</b>
<b>Tuesday 17th</b>	<b>9.00am</b> Peggy Costello (RIP)
<b>Wednesday 18th</b>	<b>9:00am</b> Peter Chwedczuk Intention. <b>(ASH WEDNESDAY)</b> <b>7.00pm</b> For the Parish.
<b>Thursday 19th</b>	<b>9:00am</b> Ms Ginger Hughes (RIP), Ezekiel Mwape (RIP)
<b>Friday 20th</b>	<b>9:00am</b> Kathleen Roche (RIP) anniversary.
<b>Saturday 21st</b>	<b>10-11am</b> Confessions and Adoration. <b>6.00pm</b> Carol Rosario (RIP)
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	<b>9:00am</b> David Grace (RIP) <b>11:00am</b> Fr. David Kaputo (RIP)

**May the souls of the faithful departed rest in eternal peace.**

### *In your kindness, please pray for the following who are ill*

Giuseppe De Palma, Augustus Edwards, Louisa Travasso, Leroy Williams, Beveley Jones, Rosanna Joseph, Richard Lamb, Rachel n Antonella Rizzo Joe Travasso, Karen Oates, Kim Nichol, Micky Bennett, Emily Pougnet, Lucy Williams Jocelyn Hilaire, Alsene Gibbs, Wesley Leachman, Chantale Wildman, Kevin Madden, Helena Almel, Annette Crowe, Paul Smith, Aubrey Paul Marcus Elwin, Rizzo Enzo, Jimmy Lucy, Patricia Roberts, Isabel Edwards, Patricia Adams, Tony Charles, Paul Charles, Brinnette Belle



### Anniversaries



Anne Porterm Elizabeth Sheehan, Joan Hoppood  
Florence Perkins, Kathleen Roche  
Philomena Sarosh, Salvina Barber  
Ron Carr, Coral Rozario  
Michael Dardis

**May they rest in Peace**



## **St. Bede's Parish Chadwell Heath**

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## **“I have come to fulfil the Law...”**

This Sunday, Jesus lays it all on the line. “Do not think that I have come to abolish the or the prophets.” I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. He then explains what he means. Again and again, he explains it: “You have heard that it was said...” then he adds: “But I say to you...” He gives his audience an earful. He boldly clarifies what it really means to kill, to commit adultery, to take a false oath. It is more than what his listeners probably expected.

In his own way, Christ echoing John the Baptist- calling people to repentance, to conversion, to live by a higher standard than what they were used to. This Sunday’s gospel reading helps set the stage for the next several weeks and can serve as a powerful and provocative introduction to Lent. It is almost here.

Wednesday, three days after hearing Christ’s admonitions, with his words still ringing in our ears and burning in our hearts, we line up to receive the ashes on our foreheads with words: ‘Repent and believe in the gospel’ or ‘From dust you came to dust you will return.’ We will begin follow the Lenten traditions and embark on the “campaign of Christian Service” that prepares us, ultimately for Easter.

It is fitting, then, that this last Sunday before Lent offers us a lesson in what is expected of us as disciples of Jesus. He maps out the road we need to travel. We should take heart from the first reading, and the wisdom of Ben Sirach: If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you; “if you trust in God, you too shall live... Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him.”

These words also lay out a prevailing theme of Lent. It can be a time of choosing, and of change. We begin the season every year being reminded of our death, making a commitment to conversion, going without simple pleasures so that we can give more of ourselves to others and to God. The readings this Sunday call us to think more deeply about the choices we make. We could consider Christ’s words a rallying cry: “Think differently! Live differently! Choose wisely!”

**God bless you all. Fr. Henry**

### **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading** - Sirach 15:15-20

**Responsorial Psalm** - Ps 119(118):1-2. 4-5

**Second reading** - 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

**Gospel Acclamation** - Matthew 11:25

**Gospel** - Matthew 5:17-37

### DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Would you like to join our bishop and parishioners and clergy from around the diocese on our annual pilgrimage to Lourdes this summer ? The dates are **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July**. Please visit <https://tangney-tours.com/brentwood> for further information and to book or contact Deirdre Pembroke, [lourdes@brcdt.org](mailto:lourdes@brcdt.org) if you have any questions. Paper booking forms to follow. - **Fr. Matthew.**

### LOURDES FUND APPEAL

This Sunday, which follows the feast of our **Lady of Lourdes**, is the World Day for the sick. Each summer a large group of pilgrims from our diocese visits the place where Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette.

The collection that is taken up throughout our diocese today makes it possible for people to on pilgrimage who would be unable to spend this time in Lourdes without support from our team of doctors, nurses and helpers, or without financial assistance. As well as the retiring collection at Mass, you can give online at <http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations> (specify 'Lourdes Fund' in the 'Other' box).

**Thank you for your support. - Fr. Matthew.**

### Donations for Parish

#### Mass Books

The parish is in the process of replacing the current **Mass Books**

Anyone who would like to donate to help with the cost can do so by either;

#### Cheque

Made payable to: Catholic Church Chadwell Heath St. Bedes

#### Online

Acc. No: 01017624  
Sort Code: 40-13-22

*HSBC*

Thank you for your donations  
God Bless You, Fr. Henry

#### Offertory

**7th & 8th February**

Loose plate: **£346.53**  
Envelope : **£353.00**

Fr. Henry would like to thank you all !

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham - 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2026

Join Bishop Alan and other parishes around the Diocese of Brentwood in Walsingham. We will celebrate Mass at the Basilica before walking the Holy Mile to the grounds of Walsingham Abbey to celebrate Vespers and Benediction on the site of the Holy House. If you would like to come please contact [parish/parish rep's contact details.]

#### Dates for our Diary

1st Sunday of Lent **22nd February**  
Altar servers training February 21st  
10:30 in the church.  
Eucharist Ministers Training February 21st- 12 O'Clock in the hall.  
All Eucharist Ministers and Readers are asked to attend a meeting on 7th March with Fr Henry - Time to be agreed.

#### Dates for Baptism Sessions - 2026

18th February  
22nd April  
10th June  
19th August  
14th October  
9th December.

#### RCIA

The following Catechumens are being prepared to join us at the table of the Lord on Holy Saturday.

**Abiodun Ogunleru**

**Karmella Diana Rose Mwanangumbi**

**Mireille Myers**

**Makhumboh Diana Mfuno**

Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to travel their journey of Faith