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The Message of the Divine Mercy

The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognise that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A – Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B – Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C – Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that all the graces of His mercy can only be received by our trust. The more we open the door of our hearts and lives to Him with trust, the more we can receive.



This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of St Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message and devotional practices proposed in the *Diary of Saint Faustina* and set forth on the website marian.org and in publications of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception are completely in accordance with the teachings of Church and are firmly rooted in the Gospel message of our Merciful Saviour. Properly understood and implemented, they will help us grow as genuine followers of Christ.

F.I.N.C.H.

Jesus told St Faustina, **“Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy”**. The five elements of the **devotion** (represented by the acronym **F.I.N.C.H.**, for Feast, Image,

Readings and psalm responses

Psalm response

10am: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

5pm: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
his mercy endures for ever.

First reading

Acts 4:32-35

Gospel

John 20:19-31

Second reading

1 John 5:1-6

Parish Finance

Offertory, Mass stipends, candles, repository, etc + average standing orders, online donations (not including Easter Offering)	£ 1,425.80
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Novena, Chaplet, Hour) have attached to them some of the most powerful and extraordinary promises of any devotion.

Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

Do return/stay for our afternoon of Devotion to the Divine Mercy **today** starting at 1pm. There will be time for silence before the Blessed Sacrament as well as the other usual times of prayer (rosary, chaplet etc) and three priests will be available to hear confessions.

Easter Offering

A big thank you for the many cards and gifts and also for the most generous Easter collection.

Fr Rob Page

Parish Priest

Parish Notices and News

Monday evening Mass

Mass in Latin will be celebrated at **6.30pm** on **Monday, 8 April, The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (transferred from 25 March).

Coffee Morning & Garden Fayre

The Social and Fundraising Committee will hold its first coffee morning on **Saturday 20 April** from 11am to 12.30pm. SJV's Weeders and Pruners will join us and display potted plants and gardening equipment (new and old) for sale. They will also be around to answer your gardening queries!

For catering purposes, please let Michael Kyriacou, Tesse Javier or Jennifer Alvares know if you are able to join in. Admission is free but a donation towards the church upkeep will be appreciated. If you have any gardening items (new or used) that you'd like to donate, please bring them to church before the event.

If you need help with transport, please speak to Tesse.

Knights of St Columba

Phil Chinwuba of the Knights of St Columba will visit us **next Sunday 14 April** to speak after both our Sunday Masses about the work of the Order, with a view to recruiting new members. The Knights of St Columba is an Order of Catholic laymen dedicated to the service of the church and fellow brothers and sisters. The Order's local Council consists of St Theresa's Newbury Park, St Augustine's Barkingside, St John Vianney Clayhall and The Assumption Hainault.

Planned giving boxes

The planned giving (gift aid) boxes are available for collection at the back of the church. Please take your box even if you pay by standing order as you will then also be able to contribute under gift aid to second collections and to the Easter and Christmas collections for Fr Rob.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Confession is available on Saturday mornings between 10am and 10.30am and at other times by arrangement.

Sacred Heart Companions

The Sacred Heart Companions (SHC) meet monthly at the Chigwell Convent to pray together in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament with the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary. The next meeting will be on **Monday 15 April** from 2pm to 3.30pm, followed by a cuppa and biscuits. For more information, please speak to Tesse.

Mass on Thursday

Please note that Mass this coming Thursday morning will be at 8am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9am.

Legion of Mary

Weekly meetings of active members take place on most Sundays after the 10am Mass. Auxiliaries are most welcome to join us.

Holy Places collection

Our Good Friday collection in support of the work of Christians in the Holy Land to maintain the Holy Places raised a very welcome £424.43 (before addition of gift aid tax). You can still give to this collection – please see Fr Rob or Sonia.

Mass intentions

If you would like a Mass offered, please complete a Mass request envelope, available in the narthex, place the stipend inside and put it in the parish letter box or give it to Sonia.

Sundays are booked well ahead but there is plenty of availability for weekdays.



Living Rosary – intention for April

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of

the world. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our lamps

Do consider sponsoring any of the four lamps that burn at significant spots in our church: Sanctuary Light, Our Lady's Altar, Our Lady of Walsingham and S. Joseph.

Please fill in one of the envelopes in the narthex, place your stipend inside (suggested minimum £7) and give it to Fr Rob or Sonia.

Redbridge Foodbank

Redbridge Foodbank continues to need our support to help local families in crisis. Your gifts of tinned and other non-perishable foods, as well as toiletries, toilet paper, sanitary pads and baby nappies, are greatly appreciated. Please place your donations on

the foodbank table in the S. John Henry Newman Chapel.

Parish repository

Our repository is open after the Sunday morning Mass and stocks a wide variety of gifts, cards and devotional items. Open at other times on request.

External events

Vocations evening

The next "Enquirers' Evening" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is on **Tuesday 9 April** at Brentwood Cathedral. The speaker will be Fr Joseph Rodrigues.

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

Lunchtime music recital

The next lunchtime music recital at Brentwood Cathedral will take place on **Wednesday 10 April** at 1pm. It will be given by the Cathedral organist Stephen King, accompanied by Brentwood School sixth-formers Sophia Assitzoglou on violin and Owen Romhany playing trombone and cello. The programme consists of Duo Concertante for Trombone and Organ by Gustav Holst and Suite for Violin, Cello and Organ by Josef Rheinberger.

Caritas networking day

You are invited to the 2024 Caritas Brentwood Networking Day, **Saturday 27 April**, 10am – 2.30pm, at the St Edward the Confessor Church Hall, Romford. If you are interested in the Catholic response to homelessness, the cost of living crisis, mental health and well-being, welcoming refugees and migrants or the causes and effects of climate change, then this is a chance to be sustained, share ideas and good practices with people from parishes across Essex and East London and hear about charities and resources available. Go to www.caritasbrentwood.org/network for details and free registration

Youth 2000 London Retreat Day

Youth 2000 are running a retreat day for young adults (16-35) on **11 May** at Sacred Heart Parish in Wimbledon. The cost is £25. Go to www.youth2000.org/events/london2024 for more information.

Mass times and intentions

Sun	7	Second Sunday of Easter – Octave Day of Easter & Divine Mercy Sunday	
		10.00 Mr T Adebayo RIP	(Tolu Ayeni)
		16.30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction	
		17.00 The People of the Parish	
Mon	8	The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (transferred from 25 March)	
		18.30 Mass in Latin – Antonio Josef – thanksgiving & spiritual guidance	
Tue	9	Tuesday after the Second Sunday of Easter	
		9.00 Eden Nuval	(Marilyn Butler)
Wed	10	Wednesday after the Second Sunday of Easter	
		9.00 Marylene – special intention complete healing	(Friends)
Thu	11	S. Stanislaus, Bishop, Martyr	
		8.00 Michael Johnson RIP – birth anniversary	(Caterina Johnson)
Fri	12	Friday after the Second Sunday of Easter	
		9.00 Beulah Dumagan – for healing	(Tesse & Marilyn)
Sat	13	Saturday after the Second Sunday of Easter	
		9.00 Thanksgiving – Joseph & Margaret	(Joseph Doyl)
Sun	14	Third Sunday of Easter	
		10.00 Yvonne Obi and Felicia Obi R	(Legion of Mary and the Obi family)
		16.30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction	
		17.00 The People of the Parish	
Tuesday to Saturday			
		8.00 Office of readings and morning prayer – week 2 (except Thursday)	
		8.30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tuesday to Friday			
		17.30 No evening prayer this week	

Stewards

This Sunday Merlyn Sealey, Kate Echeazu, Siew Mendoza

Next Sunday Theresa Valerie, Anne Edwards, Tolu Ayeni

Extraordinary Ministers

This Sunday **10am** Akash Cheeda, Joseph Loroy, Antoinette Loroy
5pm Josef Sehion, Pauline Brooke

Next Sunday **10am** Heather Steadman, Barbara Cheah, Jennifer Alvares
5pm Josef Sehion, Maria Josef

Ministers taking communion out today Marina Julian, Charles Nwaoha, Rita Young, Marilyn Butler, Heather Steadman, Pauline Brooke (5pm).

Spiritual communion call Theresa McDonagh.

Ministers taking communion out next Sunday Lily Sarpong, Julian Roshan, Rita Young, Marilyn Butler, Heather Steadman, Josef Sehion (5pm). *Spiritual communion call* Rita Young.

Readers (Please tell Sonia if you cannot read on your rota day)

This Sunday Aarlin Baladevan, Sallly Ann Ashiagbor

Next Sunday Sabrina Traynor, Heather Steadman

Repository Rita Young

Refreshments Annick Baffour

Flowers next Saturday Anne Edwards