

Parish Announcements and Events!

Entering Holy Week Together

As we approach the most sacred days of our Christian year: the Holy Week beginning on Sunday 29th March – We are invited to walk closely with Christ—from His triumphant entry into Jerusalem to the glory of the Resurrection. These days are rich with grace, reflection, and renewal, and they offer us a profound opportunity to deepen our faith as a parish family.

Copies of the Holy Week programme are now available in the church porch. Please pick one up, keep it close throughout the week, and make every effort to join in the liturgies and moments of prayer. Your presence enriches our community and helps us journey together toward Easter joy.

Weekly Mass Intentions Needed!

The sacrifice of the mass needs an intention every time that is celebrated, at the moment we need weekly mass intentions which have the same sacred effect as the ones for Sunday Masses, please collect an envelope in the back of the Church and return it with a monetary offering or not if cannot afford it. Thanks!

NEXT Baptism Course for parents:

At St Vincent's Parish with Fr Riq, Vivek and Jessica.

The date for the Baptism course evening will be this **Wednesday 15th April at 7.00pm** here in our Parish Church. Please email the Office for more Information **Becontree@brcdt.org**

Upcoming Parish Events and Celebrations in 2026!

Children's Easter Party Sunday 5th April at 10:15am.

Father's Day BBQ Sunday 21st June after masses.

Rite of Acceptance for Confirmation Candidates which takes place annually on Good Shepherd Sunday.

As our Parish is not due to receive a pastoral visit from Bishop Alan this year, our Confirmation group must attend Brentwood Cathedral for a service and meeting with the Bishop at 3pm on Sunday 26th April. This is mandatory for all confirmation candidates!

Our Parish Groups and Weekly Activities:

Bible Study Group: **Tuesdays at 7pm and Sundays at 6pm – No sessions for the next two Sundays.**

Prayer Group: **Wednesdays at 7pm**

General Singing Practice: **Mondays at 7pm**

Friday Night at the Films during Easter!

Showing of **The Chosen** episodes will take a break until Friday the 24th of April. We will resume the Friday Night showing then after that date. Thanks for your faithful attendance.

A Humble Reminder on How to Receive Holy Communion:

We are called to maintain reverence to the Most Holy Eucharist; therefore, we are kindly reminded:

- Please refrain from chewing gum prior to approaching the altar for holy communion.
- Please receive the Sacred Host with both hands or directly on the tongue; do not grasp with fingers.
- The Sacred host **MUST** be consumed immediately in the front before returning to your seat.
- Please approach and depart with reverence, mindful of the Real Presence of Christ in the Church.

Please respond "Amen" when the Priest or Eucharist Minister says: "The Body of Christ/the Blood of Christ"

St. Vincent's Parish Building projects needed:

1. Boiler basement needs to be treated for black mould.
2. Front church doors need to be changed with Fire Push door opening handles.
3. Fire alarms and signs need to be placed and installed.
7. Repair of recently discovered cracks in the front of the church wall.
8. Presbytery house dining room to have a built extension outwards into a multi-use meeting room for parish use, as we don't have a parish hall.
9. Ashes garden of remembrance needs to be revitalised and beautified.
10. The current leftover loan debt is £15.000, the reason that we are not allowed to get any further funding.

CATHOLIC PARISH OF SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

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OFFICE HOURS – Tuesday to Friday from 10am -12md or by APPOINTMENT ONLY.

Mrs. Helen Craft, Headteacher
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29.03.26 – Palm/Passion Sunday, Yr A–Missal P.153

(We say all the psalm together if not sung)

R. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

1. All who see me deride me; they curl their lips, they toss their heads: 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him, for in him he delights.' **R.**

2. For dogs have surrounded me; a band of the wicked besets me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet; I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

3. They divide my clothing among them; they cast lots for my robe. But you, O Lord, do not stay afar off; my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

4. I will tell of your name to my kin and praise you in the midst of the assembly; 'You who fear the Lord, give him praise. all descendants of Jacob, give him glory; revere him, all you descendants of Israel.' **R**



The Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, also called Palm Sunday, represents the gate through which we enter into Holy Week. This is a time in which we contemplate the last moments of the life of Jesus. We recall Jesus's entrance into Jerusalem, welcomed by a festive crowd, and then we recall his Passion. The readings invite us to see the contrast between the cheers of the crowd and the suffering that is to come.

WEEKLY MASSES & INTENTIONS

Sunday 29 th March Palm/Passion Sunday (Beginning of Holy Week)	9am Mass	Stella Cook (Sp Int)
	12 Noon Mass	Florence Uka (RIP)
Monday 30 th March <i>Feria</i>	NO MASS	Fr Riq's Mental Health Day Off. Office Closed
Tuesday 31 st March <i>Feria</i>	9am Rosary & Mass	Helen Mbangoh Mbah (B'day Int)
Wednesday 1 st April	9am Morning Prayer – No Mass	Chrism Mass at Brentwood Cathedral
Thursday 2 nd April <i>Maundy Thurs/Last Supper</i>	8pm Mass of the Last Supper	Vigil and Prayers at the Altar of Repose until 12am
Friday 3 rd April <i>Good Friday</i>	11am - Stations of the Cross. 3pm – The Passion & Veneration of the Holy Cross	5pm – The Passion of Christ Film Showing
Saturday 4 th April <i>Holy Saturday</i>	12md to 3pm The Church is open for adoration.	For the people of the Parish
	8pm Solemn Vigil Mass	
Sunday 5 th April Easter Sunday Solemnity	9am Mass	Carol Bird (Sp.Int)
	12 Noon Mass	Colum Fox (RIP)



Please note that CCTV is in use in and around the church

MASS INTENTIONS.

Parish envelope in the back of the Church, fill the form and bring it back ASAP if you would like to offer a Mass.

Parish Collection Sunday 22nd March

Gift Aid: £+ 261.00

Loose Plate: £380.15

= Total: £641.15

NO CASH is kept on Church premises!

Thank you for your generosity and continual support.

Can you help us, please?

We are hoping for our St Vincent's parishioners to help us with a donation of **£3 or MORE £££ EACH**

WEEK for the offertory collection during our Sunday Masses.

This will truly help us greatly especially with parish repairs, projects, children's activities and parties.

Thanks in advance for your kindness and generosity.

Easter Offerings: Please take an envelop at the back of the Church for your Easter offering.

***We now have **livestreaming services through our YouTube Channel.**

This ministry is specially for the sick and housebound or unable to attend mass.

Thanks! Blessings! ***

We continuously PRAY for those Parishioners who are sick and housebound. Please email the Parish Office with names of those in need of prayers.