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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A) - 15th June

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My dear friends

"So Eastertide ends", these are the words that come after Evening Prayer on Pentecost Sunday in the Breviary. I am sure we can look back on a very special Easter season: pilgrimages, canonisations, jubilees, first communions and confirmations. These were fifty treasured days of grace. Thanks be to God.

Thanksgiving to our great God is the theme of this Trinity Sunday, as we give thanks for the love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, whose love for us was played out in the great Paschal Mystery we have recently celebrated. God has revealed his innermost secret: God himself is an eternal exchange of love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and he has destined us to share in that exchange. *Catechism 221*

We heard this week that there will be two tickets per parish for the Episcopal Ordination of our new Bishop. Rev. Dr Alan Williams, SM. Rather than me choose my most favourite parishioners, which would be an impossible task for me, there are ballot papers available for you to fill in today and hand back to the Presbytery (or via the suitcases) if you wish to go. I will draw out the two winning tickets tonight at the get-together for Fr Afonso after the evening Mass. You can only fill in one ballot paper!

May God bless you on this special feast.

Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes

SUNDAYS: Divine Mercy followed by Rosary 3pm
DAILY: Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am
EVENING PRAYER: Fridays at 6pm Church
PRAYER GROUP: Mondays at 7:45pm Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays at 8pm Crypt

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK (new entries are in bold type): Please remember in your prayers; Władysław Antończak, Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, Val Crane, Brian and Pauline Critchley, Olive Crawford, Jeanette Dagwell, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, Bill Graves, Bert Hewitt, Norah Hewitt, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Ronald Jay, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Declan Knight, Irma Knowles, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Marie Lyons, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, June Mayhew, Colleen Merces, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Sabina Rhatigan, Douglas Rogers, Carley Saunders, Catherine Spicer, Valerie Thurston, Angela Udall, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Kathleen Walsh, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

SICK LIST: If you know of anyone who has recently recovered, please let one of the priests know. Thank you

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Jill de Luca and Margaret Mary Warren. Margaret's Requiem Mass will be on this Wednesday 18th June at 1:45pm Priory St.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND: This Sunday we welcome into the church through the Sacrament of Baptism; Bethany Hollingsworth. God bless this child and congratulations to her family.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTISED? The next Baptism course will be Friday September 29th and Friday October 3rd in the Crypt from 7:30pm – 9pm. There is no need to make an appointment but <u>both sessions</u> must be attended. Entry to the Crypt is via the Church. [This course is for new-borns up to age 6]

CORPUS CHRISTI: Next Sunday 22nd June the joint English – Polish Mass starts at 2pm and will be followed by a Eucharistic Procession to the Bourne Hall

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend 21st and 22nd June for the Sick & Retired clergy of our diocese. As a charity, the fund relies on the generosity of the parishes and individual donations to keep it in a healthy state. Another valuable means is by making a bequest in your Will; a *Form ot Bequest* can be found on page 6 of the Brentwood Diocesan Directory. Your generosity through donation, the annual collection and bequests is greatly appreciated.

MERSEA NEWS: Many thanks to Margaret Williams for hosting our June coffee morning. The July coffee morning is hosted by Margaret Ashmore on Tues July 8th at 18, Mersea Ave, come along and enjoy it with friends. **MERSEA AGM:** Will be Thursday, 26th June at 7:30pm in the Church.

MONKWICK NEWS: Many thanks for all those who supported Mary and Christine at their joint coffee morning held recently. Our next date will be Saturday 28th June hosted by Christine Brown at 3 Adelaide Drive. CO2 8UB. All welcome.

PARISH INCOME: We need to raise £1,560 each week from the collection bags. During the month of May, the money received each week on average was £1,684. We are grateful for all that you give, please continue to do so generously as costs are rising, not going down. Thank you.

JOHN PAUL IN PERSON: This Sunday 15th June 5:15pm in the Crypt. The human side of Karol Wojtyla revealed in stories and anecdotes from his life. Illustrated with videos and photographs, including some rare footage of the man. With the opportunity to meet and hear the memories of Marta from the Polish community who knew and worked with the future saint in Krakow in the 1970s. Sample kremowka, the cream cakes made famous by the pope himself!

PARISH AGM: Will be Sunday 29th June at 7:30pm Cardinal Bourne Hall. Any items that you wish to discuss should be submitted to Fr Tony before the meeting.

SVP WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: 6th July. Coach departs from Ipswich Road Colchester at 8:30am and from East Hill at 8:45am. *PLEASE BE PROMPT*. Tickets £12. Limited availability, so if you have not already confirmed your place, please call 01206 841236 as soon as possible. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS: In the porch at Priory St. you will find a selection of good Catholic material for children, including a basket of items at 50p. Available for the next two weeks.

NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST AT THE GATEHOUSE: On the 21st June from 11.00am - 2.00pm the Catholic Heritage Group will once again be at the St John's Abbey Gatehouse to celebrate the feast of St John the Baptist the Patron Saint of the Abbey. Traditionally there was a Fair to celebrate the day, so we will have a stall with Walsingham Cake, prints and histories with possibly a prayer or two and will be happy to show you the new finds discovered recently. We may be joined by the Town Watch but no promises as yet. Please join us if you can.

UCM FAMILY PICNIC: This Sunday 15th June from 12:30pm. Meet at Castle Bailey, Upper Castle Park. All parishioners are welcome.

FILIPINO FAMILY EVENING 21st June in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. From 7:30 – 10:30pm. Filipino buffet with veg options. Tickets £8, children 5 to 12 yrs £4, under 5 is free. Tickets available now – please ring Armando / Amy 854 921. All proceeds to church funds.

KSC SPONSORED WALK IN AID OF BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: If you sponsored this event and have still pay, please hand moneys to a member of the KSC or post through the presbytery letter box in an envelope suitably marked with your name and the person you were sponsoring; by this Sunday 15th. Thank you.

DIARY DATE FOR 2015: *In the Footsteps of Jesus:* The first Full Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land takes place from the $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ to $\mathbf{9}^{th}$ July 2015. Visit the sites in Jerusalem and Galilee, as well as visits to Christian Communities to see and hear about what is really happening in their lives. Detailed itinerary to follow soon. Cost £1595. It looks to be a wonderful and exciting pilgrimage. Please contact Fr Paul Fox at St Mary's, Hornchurch, on 01708 447761 or email

hornchurchstmmg@dioceseofbrentwood.org

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 19th - Team 3

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY [A] – JUNE 15th

Saturday June 14th
Sunday June 15th
6:15 pm
Roger Thurlow RIP
B:00 am
D/Rels: Lowe family
10:30 am
Ints: Sykes family
4:00 pm
POLISH MASS

6:30 pm Phyllis, Cora, Deirdre & Anne RIP

West Mersea 8:30 am Trevor Lines RIP [D&JH]
Mile End 9:15 am Derrick Foley RIP

Monkwick 10:15 am Parishioners

Monday 16th Feria

Church 7:30 am Ints: Jude Ezenwa Onuoha

Church 9:15 am Ints: Mary Catherine Maguire

Tuesday 17th Feria

Church 9:15 am John Bradbrook RIP [SVP]

Wednesday 18th Feria

Church 7:30 am Angelo Ciarleglio RIP

Church 12:15 pm Ints: Sykes Family

Church 1:45 pm REQUIEM MASS: Margaret Warren RIP

Thursday 19th Feria

Church 9:15 am Des Fuller RIP

Friday 20th Feria

Church 9:15 am Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP

Church 6:30 pm Parishioners

Saturday 21st St Aloysius Gonzaga, Rel

Church 9:15 am Mr B F Mathews RIP

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST [A] (CORPUS CHRISTI) JUNE 22nd - (Holyday of Obligation)

Saturday June 21st

Mile End 6:00pm KERALA MASS

6:15 pm Max & Rita Milford RIP

Sunday June 22nd 8:00 am Giancarlo & Laura Sancassani RIP

10:30 am Reginald Hammond RIP

2:00 pm POLISH MASS

6:30 pm Ken Herbert & William Richards RIP

West Mersea 8:30 am Molly Hefford RIP [JW]
Mile End 9:15 am Andrew McMahon RIP

Monkwick 10:15 am Parishioners

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