



PARISH NEWSLETTER



St. Helen's Catholic Church
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MASS: Sat. 17:30 Sun. 08:30

MASS: Sun. 10:00



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CONFESSION, BAPTISM & MARRIAGE BY APPOINTMENT

5th/6th September 2015
Mass Books: 64 old, 69 new

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (b)

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a Responsorial Psalm 146:7,8-9,9-10
Second Reading James 2:1-5 Gospel Reading Mark 7:31-37

In this week's Gospel, Jesus heals a man who is deaf and dumb. When we read this account at the spiritual level, we see that he cures those who are deaf to the Word of God and hence unable to speak it clearly. How relevant this message is to our own time!



Mass intentions this week:-

Sat	5th September	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	5.30 pm	
Sun	6th September	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 am 10.00 am	Thanksgiving Mass for the Blackett family
Mon	7th September	Feria	9.00 am	
Tues	8th September	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.00 pm	
Wed	9th September	Feria	12 noon	
Thurs	10th September	Feria	9.00	
Fri	11th September	Feria	9.00 am	Lesley Boyall RIP (Peggy Hayes)
Sat	12th September	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Racial Justice Sunday)	5.30 pm	
Sun	13th September	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Racial Justice Sunday)	8.30 am 10.00 am	People of the Parish Lesley Boyall RIP



WE HAVE CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON SUNDAYS FOR CHILDREN AGED 3 & ABOVE—
AT THE 5.30 P.M. MASS, ST. HELEN'S, AND 10.00 A.M. MASS, ST. MARGARET'S.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY :

QUIZ FOR BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDRENS SOCIETY : Saturday 12th September at St. Margaret's Doddinghurst, time to be advised.

FAMILY FUN DAY : 20th September after the 10am Mass at Doddinghurst

FEAST OF ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND : Sunday 15th November Mass at 10.00am at Doddinghurst

HALLOWEEN THEMED JAZZ NIGHT : 31st October at St. Margaret's Church Hall, Doddinghurst

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR : 5th December, Budworth Hall, Ongar

CHRISTMAS CONCERT : 12th December at St. Margaret's Church Hall, Doddinghurst

If you have any events that you want advertised in the newsletter, or any that are missing from this list, please contact the presbytery and it will be included in this section each week. It would be appreciated if entries for the newsletter could be forwarded no later than Wednesday afternoon for that week's publication.

Mass Intentions for Ongar and Doddinghurst : Please inform Fr. Graham of any Mass intentions that you wish to include, using the brown envelopes provided, and include preferred dates and times of masses for the intentions. Thank you.

Fire Regulations : following the fire drill which took place at St. Helen's recently, if anybody has a condition which would be an impediment in the event of a fire, please inform one of the fire marshalls so that they are aware of the situation.

Reserved Seating at St. Margaret's : Please note that the row of seats next to the fire exit in St. Margaret's is reserved for parents with babies and small children who have buggies and pushchairs to prevent congestion at the back of the Church. It would be appreciated if the row could be left vacant for this purpose. Thank you for your co-operation.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour will be held after Mass every Thursday. You are invited to spend an hour with Our Lord in front of the Blessed Sacrament for a time of prayer and reflection, finishing with Benediction. During our Holy Hour on Thursday mornings we will be praying for the Pope's prayer intentions for August which is :

- ◆ **Universal :** That volunteers may give themselves generously to the service of the needy.
- ◆ **Evangelisation :** That setting aside our very selves we may learn to be neighbours to those who find themselves on the margins of human life and society.

Ishbel McGregor requests that the petition in the lobby at Church is signed to request that the Council proceed with the repair and reinstatement of the pavements in Ongar as they are in a state of disrepair.

Christmas concert appeal: We are looking for people who have a talent to share with the parish at the Christmas Concert on the 12th December, please contact Fr. Graham Smith if you want to perform on the day.

A.B.C (About Becoming (or being) a Catholic): The first session will be on Monday the 14th September at the presbytery at 7:30 p.m. Anyone who would like to become a catholic or would like to know more about the faith are welcome.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

ILL/HOUSEBOUND? - TO ARRANGE COMMUNION AT HOME—Please phone Sheena Mackintosh on 01277 821524.

HALL LETTINGS & BOOKING INFORMATION—Ann Rayment (01277 824029)

NEW PARISHIONERS—If you are new to the Parish please introduce yourself to Fr. Graham.

NEWSLETTER—If you have an item for the Newsletter (**Deadline Wednesday**), or have someone you wish to be included in our Prayers section please phone the Presbytery (01277 362645).

e-mail ongar@dioceseofbrentwood.org, or post hard copy to the Presbytery. Thank you.

Please also inform the Presbytery if someone no longer needs to be included in our Prayers section.

GIFT AID ORGANIZER—Bernard Adams (01277 823511)

YOUNG PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATIVE—Alison Sainsbury (01992 522477) email alisainsbury@hotmail.com

Birth Announcement: Justin and Sophie (nee Walding) are delighted to announce the birth of Lucy Rose Hopgood on the 3rd August.

Baptisms: This week we welcome **Luca Daniel Gambardella** into the church who will be baptised this Sunday at St. Helen's in Ongar. Next week we welcome **Toby Joseph David Neate** who will be baptised during the 10:00 a.m. mass at St. Margaret's in Doddinghurst.

The Licensing of the Rev. Noelle at St. Martin's in Ongar will take place on Wednesday 9th September at 8:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Catholic Culture Club: Will meet in the presbytery at the earlier time of 7:00 p.m. in the presbytery on Thursday 10th September. At the next meeting we shall be watching "The Way". The Way is a powerful and inspirational story about family, friends, and the challenges we face while navigating this ever changing and complicated world. Martin Sheen plays Tom, an irascible American doctor who comes to St. Jean Pied de Port, France to collect the remains of his adult son (played by Emilio Estevez), killed in the Pyrenees in a storm while walking The Camino de Santiago, also known as The Way of Saint James. Rather than return home, Tom decides to embark on the historical pilgrimage to honor his son's desire to finish the journey. What Tom doesn't plan on, is the profound impact the journey will have on him as an inexperienced trekker and he soon discovers that he will not be alone on this journey. We look forward to seeing you there.

First Anniversary of Lesley Boyle R.I.P: Mass will be celebrated on Friday the 11th of September, all are welcome to attend to remember this special lady who worked so hard for this parish and who was so generous and kind to us all and to Fr. Andrew.

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SVP Awareness : on 19th/20th September an awareness weekend will take place to appeal for new members to visit the housebound of the parish. For further information please see Mike Anthony or contact him on 01277 823802. There will be a second collection after all Masses on this weekend in aid of the SVP.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Healing Mass at Abbotswick, House of Prayer, Brentwood will be celebrated by Fr. Eamonn Power at 2.30pm on Wednesday 16th September 2015. Please call 01277 373959 or visit www.abbotswick.org for more information. All are welcome!

Pilgrimages : (1) Our Lady Queen of Peace Apostolate are going to the Holy Land. The price is £750 which includes flights, half board, transfer and excursions, for seven days with a luxury coach and a local guide. The first pilgrimage will be from 11th November, please contact Carmen on the telephone number below to give details of your preferred dates and for further information.

(2) To celebrate St. Teresa of Avila's 5th centenary in Spain between 3rd and 7th September 2015 (price £700) with flights and half board, 3 star hotel and a local guide for daily visits. Please contact 01277 821886 /07738595534 for further details.

Mass for the Catholic Fellowship will be held in Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 12th September 2015 at 3.00pm. The Mass will be followed by refreshments in the Cathedral Hall, it is an opportunity to meet Bishop Alan. All are welcome.

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society : a quiz night will be held throughout the diocese with the winning teams from each event attending a grand final at the Cathedral in November. I have been asked to arrange the quiz in our parish. It will be held on the evening of Saturday 12th September at St. Margaret's Hall. Tickets will be £6.00 and it will start at 7.30pm. Please bring your own drinks and nibbles. Please help me to make this a successful evening, and give your support to our local children's charity. I can be contacted on 01277 823485.

Thank you.

Audrey McGill

Home to School Transport : You may be aware that Essex LA have re-tendered their contractor for statutory provision of Home-to-School Transport. This means that those who wish to pay for a seat for their child, although not eligible for this transport, may not be able to get their children into a Catholic School. Might there not be a case for organising shared transport among the parents, or parents and parish organising private transport for those Catholics wishing to send their children to Catholic schools and are willing to pay? If so, the necessary arrangements need to be in place during August, particularly for those whose children are attending Reception in the Primary school, or Yr. 7 in the Secondary school.

Further to the above, parents considering alternative shared transport for pupils to and from school are welcome to benefit from the experiences of a mother who initiated and continues to organise a successful solution for her own and other children. Surrey County Council withdrew coaches to Catholic schools from outlying areas two years ago but groups of parents have overcome this by acquiring access to suitable mini-buses and sharing driving responsibilities through a volunteer rota. If you'd like to know more about how this type of scheme can be organised and operated, parishioners Neil and Valerie McCarthy -- 01277 822882 or ncjmccarthy@gmail.com will put you in contact with their daughter, Kirstin.

Home Tutoring : One to one tutoring in Literacy and Numeracy for children aged 5years—11 years. Please contact Helen Goodwin on 07835 708841

RSCM-EEL Annual Choral Festival 2015. This year in the beautiful setting of Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 26th September, 10am - 5pm Festival service at 4pm MUSIC IN THE LITURGY An invitation to all singers to join us for an exciting and innovative day of music making culminating in a liturgical celebration of music for worship. Featuring music by Alan Bullard (including a Magnificat and Nunc dimittis especially composed for the occasion) and a dialogue sermon with the Bishop of Brentwood. *Put the date in your diaries now.* Further information will be available from our web site <http://www.rscm-eel.org.uk>, or email shirleytimmins@btinternet.com

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, DODDINGHURST



CREAM TEAS

IN PRIEST HOUSE

**AFTERNOON TEA WITH
CREAM TEA OR
HOME MADE CAKES**

SUNDAY
21ST JUNE
19TH JULY
16TH AUGUST
20TH SEPTEMBER

**2:30 TO
4:30 P.M.**



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH WILL BE OPEN TO VISITORS

FAMILY FUN AFTERNOON

St. Margaret's, Sunday 20th September, Noon-4.30 p.m

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

EVERYONE WELCOME!



FORGET THE COOKING! COME FOR LUNCH
& AFTERNOON TEA.

Activities being considered:

Barbecue



Beer/Wine Tent, Soft Drinks.



Afternoon Teas

Bouncy Castle

Children's Entertainer

Football or Rounders

Yard/Half Yard of Ale competition (squash for the children)

Treasure Hunt

Raffle

Races including Egg & Spoon Race, Sack Race.



Tug of War



We need your ideas and some more volunteers

If you would like to help plan the event, or contribute in any way
please contact Leslie Pay on 01277 824029

I am hoping for some more volunteers to help with ideas to plan the event and to help on the day. Also, previously we have run a talent competition, which the children (and some adults) seemed to enjoy enormously. I will do this again this year if there is enough interest. So please contact me if you can help with the event in any way, and also let me know if you or your child (children) would like to show off their talent(s).

Thank you. Leslie Pay 01277 824029.

DEANERY NEWS

Mass for Gypsies, Roma and Travellers at Westminster Cathedral: will be held on Friday, 25th September at 7pm, this special Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Vincent Nichols, the Archbishop of Westminster, for all Gypsies, Roma and Irish Travellers who are intending to travel to Rome on pilgrimage from Friday, 23rd to Tuesday, 27th October. If you are interested in finding out more information about the Mass at Westminster or about the pilgrimage to Rome please contact Father Dan Mason, the Diocesan Chaplain for Gypsies, Roma and Travellers on 0207 4764129.

PRAYERS

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL SICK & HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS.

Dolly Allen Paul Aston Gail & Family Charmaine Arnold Debbie Arnold Jonathan Arnold Rev. Jason Askew Reg Baines Barry Eileen Bendon Julie Bentley Sheila Boar Jacques Bouchard Colum Bresing Don Brockman Robert Catherine 'Charlie' (great Grand-son of Mary & Bernard Adams) Sue Collis Holly Cooper Gail Crowe Jennifer Curtis Charles Dabourn Maureen Dempsey Ivy Denton Lesley Denton Sonia Denton Francesca Diana Beryl Dodson Harry & Oliver Dowsett Clifford Dowsett Sister Marie Andre (Dullaghan) Chris Easter Mark Ellis Mary Enright Peter Fabrizi Sandra Fagan Fran Francis Jean Gaughran The Grimshaw Family Joan Grotzinger Alice Hadley (Fiona Parker's niece) Henry Hamilton Annette Healey Charlotte Herridge Christine Hilton Katherine Hinton Alan Hopkins Sister Joyce Jowers Kathleen (Ireland) Theresa Kavanagh Joanna Keen Kate, Julian & family, Annie Freshwater, Tara Kelly-Hassett Maria Kemp Peter King Katie Leadley (Baby) Bethany Leutchford Maura Macmahon Beatriz Manzo Ian Maxwell Margaret Maynard Sunil Menon Keith Miller Janet Mitchell Pat Mortimer Jim Mulvey Alan Nyman John O'Donovan Patrick O'Sullivan Tony Packman Pam, John & family, Carol Perkins & family René Rabbe Nick Rainsford Arthur Rhodes Bernadette Rigler Bruna Roberts Derek Rose Ray Saunders Mary Scott Patricia Sherwin Bernard Simmons Alexa Smith Ann Smith Aaron Smith Eileen Smith Sophie's unborn baby Pat Spicer Elizabeth Straszynski Suzanne & baby Florence Neil Tanner Joe Toland Simon Truelove Bill Tween Jacques Visser Margaret Volkaerts Lily Walsh Welma (Verone's mother) Hope & Tracy Stringer Molly Watson Sharon Weaver Michael Weaver Michael Weston Annabel Wing



Those at: Dudbrook Hall – Freda Godfrey Eileen Margaret Hood Joan Marshall

Howard Lodge – Marjorie Robbins, Maureen Walsh, Kevin & Kathleen O'Donnell, Sheila Davies, Yvonne D'Cruz Jane Jowers

May they all be touched by God's healing hand.

Please contact the Presbytery if anyone no longer needs to be on the Prayer List.

ROTAS		5th/6th September	12th/13th September
Vestment Colours		Green	Green
ST. HELEN'S			
Eucharistic Ministers	5.30 pm 8.30 am Ongar	(A) Pauline Peggy Sally	Sally Amanda Lilian
Reader	5.30 pm 8.30 am	Brian Sainsbury John Sherry	Bill Tillott Jose Perez
Bell Ringer	5.30 pm	-	-
Welcomer	8.30 am 5.30 pm 8.30 am	Christina Aston - Clare	Eddie Tighe - Lesley
Children's Liturgy	5.30 pm	-	-
Cleaning		Frances	Christina
Flowers		Amanda	Amanda
ST. MARGARET'S			
Eucharistic Ministers	10.00 am Howard Lodge Dudbrook Hall	(B) Hope/Andy Joanne Lauren (C) Kathy (D) Julie (E) Joanne	Mary C/Sarah Teresa Amanda Mary C Lorraine Pauline
Chairs		Brendan Gormley	Pat Maher
Welcomer		Teresa	Mary
Sacristan		Kay Macaree	Pat Allen
Reader		John Adams	Graham Bateson
Bidding Prayers		Carol Terry/Meaghan	Fiona Parker/Louise
Psalmists		Jane	Julie
Children's Liturgy		No Liturgy	
Teas		Shona Gormley	Ann Rayment
Flowers		Jane Gay	Clara Greenaway