



Our Lady Help of Christians & St Helens

Sunday 18th November 2018

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Thirty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B

Gospel reading: *Mark 13: 24-32*

Other Readings: Daniel 12: 1-3, Hebrews 11: 14.1 8

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 15): *Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.*

Gospel Reflection by Fr. Alex

This is penultimate Sunday before we enter into a new liturgical year, (cycle C). The Church invites us to reflect on the “**eschaton**” meaning, the last realities; like death, afterlife, judgement, reward and punishment. The bible teaches us that everything in this world will not last forever.

In the last few months, we are following the Gospel written by Mark where Jesus teachings creates tension with the Jewish authorities. Last Sunday the topic was about the hypocrisy of the scribes in their pretentious attitude as perfect observants of the law while over burdening the poor (i.e. widow) with the obligation under the name of God’s Law for the Temple.

Here, we can see Jesus who is the “**eschaton**” will definitely making a very subtle and yet favourable judgement to change the lives of those who are treated unjustly, afflicted, vulnerable, oppressed and deserted, they will have special place in the Kingdom of God. The “**parousia**” - the Day of the Lord, will come in his glory. Thus, liberation will soon be felt by everyone.

Brothers and sisters. Let us continue strengthening our relationship to our God and Neighbours, so when the times has come, we are ready for his judgement. Let us just hold on to our faith and persevere in prayers at all times without losing our hope for a new life to come. AMEN.

Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into your Church!

Mass Times & Intentions – Year B

Sunday 18th November – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of the Poor

9.30am Eileen Reynolds RIP

11.15am Canon Patrick McKenna [FM] / **Baptism of: Melisa & Alisa Marku**

6pm Ints. of Pauline Gilmore and family

Monday 19th November

9.15am Int: Abigail Peeler

Tuesday 20th November

9.15am ints. Of Mishelle and Catherine

Wednesday 21st November – *The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

9.15am Ints. Of Martin and Cristine

Thursday 22nd November – *St Cecilia*

9.15am Ints: Fr. Marcelino Diaz, II (Birthday)

Friday 23rd November

9.15am 16th year Priestly Anniversary of Fr. Alex Poblador, rcj

2-4pm Holy Hour/Devine Mercy in the Adoration Chapel

Saturday 24th November – *Ss Andrew Dung Lac*

10:00 Nazareth House

12:00 Baptism of Baby – Krishna Cate Concepcion

6pm Polish Mass

Sunday 25th November – Our Lord Jesus Christ - The King

Youth Day

9.30am George and Mary Orton and Family [FM]

11.15am Souls in Purgatory / **Baptism of Isobella Redding**

6pm Ints: Tom & Anica

*Let us pray for the sick of the parish especially:
Maria Davis, George Kennedy & Maria
Kotouckova, Alex, Margaret Jones, Peter Suarez.*

**Second Collection Next
week Sunday 25th
November is for National
Youth Sunday**

Sunday Masses

*The Praying of Rosary Must start 30 minutes
before each Sunday Mass*

Morning Prayer 8.30am Monday to Thursday

*All are welcome to join for morning prayers
and a decade of the Rosary before Mass*

Any Mass Intentions, either see Fr Alex after Mass or during
office hours westcliff@dioceseofbrentwood.org

or 01702 342324

Mass Intention Envelopes – at the back of the Church

**November is dedicated
to The Holy Souls**
Envelopes can be found at
the back of the church.

Thank you

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Please see Fr Alex with any
parish enquires email
alex@shwos.co.uk rather than
the parish office!

Thank you

St Helen's Parish Notices

PARISH DIARY

Monday 19th November

2pm – Friendship Group

6.45pm – 8pm – Confirmation Group

7pm – 8.30pm – Legion of Mary
(Meeting in the Sacristy)

7pm – 8:30 - SVP meeting

Tuesday 20th November

7-30pm – 9pm –

Adoration in the Chapel

Every Tuesday Evening - silent
adoration 30 minutes followed by
Rosary and prayers

Wednesday 21st November

10.30am – 12noon –

**Women's Bible Group -
in the Sacristy**

(For More information contact:
Nicola Nevin on 07740 287042)

7pm – 8.30pm - The RCIA Programme

Thursday 22nd November

11am – 1pm Every Thursday -

Pro-life prayer group - In the

Adoration Chapel please join us for
prayers for babies in danger of
abortion and their families or
alternatively for our street prayers in
front of the clinic

Friday 23rd November

2-4pm – Every Friday

*Holy Hour/Devine Mercy
in the Adoration Chapel*

Filipino Mass 24th November 2018
At 3pm (Saturday)

Traditional Simbang Gabi Masses
17-19-21 December 2018
@ 7:45pm. All are invited!

First Holy Communion 2019

Registration packs are available at
the back of the church.

*Please note to commence the course
children must have been baptised
and currently be in school year 3
or above.*

Dates for First Holy Communion are:

Saturday 11th May 2019 &

Saturday 18th May 2019

Going Forth Mass 9.30am –
26th May 2019

**Please return registration
forms by Sunday
2nd December 2018**

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal

As in previous years, the Catholic Woman's
League will have leaflets and the official
shoe boxes ready for you to fill (for 40p)
from Sunday 4th November, or you can
cover your own shoebox. Please return
them to the back of the church once filled.
The last collection date is **November 18th**.
Start collecting your items now.

Parish Collections:

Sunday 11th November 2018

Giftaid: £357 Loose plate: £569.99

Total: £926.99 Thank you!

St Helen's Catholic Church Building & Restoration Fund

The cumulative position since the relaunch is that £4,792
(including gift aid tax relief) has been collected against a
target of £8,000.

We can only maintain St Helen's with your help, the
Collection box is at the back of church.

Church Cleaning Every Friday – 10am

If you can help clean church on
Friday Mornings from 10am, please
contact Helen Wallace on 07753 329934
as she is arranging a Rota.

Brentwood Diocesan Notices

**Lourdes Pilgrimage –
Monday May 27th –
Friday 31st 2019** (children's half term).
Travelling by air from **Southend-On-Sea
Airport** and staying at the 4* Hotel Grand
Moderne full board. Please think and pray if
You are being called by our Lady to visit the
special shrine in Lourdes.
Adults £545, Children under 12 (£420) For
details contact **Sue Baillie 07979746707**.

Autumn Spirituality Talks @ Cathedral House,

*Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT
10.30am 12 Noon*

Saturday 1st December 2018
"Advent Spirituality."

Speaker: Bishop Alan Williams, sm.

JOB VACANCY/ JOB VACANCY!!!!!!!

***Person required for paid position
of Parish Manager in the office of
St Helen's, Westcliff-on-Sea
27 Milton Road, SS0 7JP***

***16-20 hours per week,
[Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,
Friday]; 9am - 1pm***

***If you – or any of your
family/friends – are interested,
please first contact***

***Fr Alex for a job description and
person specification. You should
then send in your CV, with a
covering letter demonstrating how
your experience and skills match
the essential requirements and
attributes of the role.***

***Closing date for CVs/applications
by Monday 26th November 2018***

***Interview date: Friday 7th December
Contact: 01702 342324***

westcliff@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Thursday 22nd November 2018 – St Thomas More High School – Sixth Form Open Evening 6pm – 9pm

For families who have students – boys and
girls - in year 11 of secondary school who
are intending to begin sixth form studies
in September 2019. Come and visit the
school and meet the staff and current
sixth form students. There will be tours of
the sixth form building and the rest of the
school. Telephone 01702 344933
www.st-thomsmore.southend.sch.uk

Thursday 29th November at 6pm - Walsingham House at Abbotswick – service to commemorate loved ones in the month of November.

Those with relatives and friends
commemorated at Abbotswick are warmly
invited to a service of prayer. The names
of those remembered will be read out
during the service, which will include
hymns and scripture readings and will be
followed by tea and cakes. Please email
frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or
call Fr Dominic on 01277 373959 for more
information otherwise. simply turn up!

Saturday 1st December 2018 - Healing Service at English Martyrs, Hornchurch

if you are feeling stressed, anxious,
emotionally/psychologically broken or
generally struggling with life, you are
warmly invited to attend the English
Martyrs' **Healing Service from 6-8pm**
for emotional, psychological and
spiritual healing.

To register your attendance please email
HealingService@English-Martyrs.com or
contact Mandy on 07801 470516.
English Martyrs Catholic Church,
240 Alma Ave, Hornchurch RM12 6BJ.