



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2022

Trust is not easy to define in the abstract, but we know it when we see it. We also know that we must take the leap before something can be experienced. Today's readings invite us to take the leap and trust in the Lord who gives life.

The first reading consists of a collection of wisdom sayings centred on the importance of trusting in God and the foolishness of turning away and trusting in human values. The imagery of a tree with deep roots is frequently used to describe those who trust in God, because even in times of trouble they will survive.

In today's Gospel, we encounter Jesus and a large crowd of Jews and non-Jews gathered on a plain in Galilee to hear him speak. He goes on to deliver the Beatitudes, which are, in fact, about trust in God who cares for those who suffer. Jesus also includes a matching series of "woes" that focus on those who have turned away from God by refusing to do their part in alleviating these sufferings. Where will you stand?

The second reading is a small part of a longer teaching on the doctrine of bodily resurrection. In this section, Paul explains the consequences of not accepting this teaching. In effect, he says, we would have to declare that Christ was not raised and that our faith is in vain. We know Christ was raised. Paul says, and, with him all who trust in his name will be raised to new life.

Sunday 13th February 2022 (Cycle C)

Liturgical Calendar

Sunday 13 th February	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) (Racial Justice Day)
Monday 14 th February	SS Cyril Monk and Methodius, Bishop European Feast
Sunday 20 th February	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Season of the Year before Lent

This season does not celebrate any particular aspect of the mysteries of the Christ, but rather the mystery of Christ himself in his fullness is recalled especially on Sundays. During this ordinary time (winter), i.e., up to the Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions: Peace on Earth; Openness to the word of God; Christian unity; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those who work to Combat it; The Unemployed.

Masses & Intentions This Week

Sunday 13 th February	10.00 am	Rt Rev Monsignor Van Meenen - RIP
	6.30 pm	For Parishioners
Monday 14 th February	9.00 am	Audrey Eileen Pollard – RIP
Tuesday 15 th February	9.00 am	
Wednesday 16 th February	9.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Thursday 17 th February	9.00 am	
Friday 18 th February	9.00 am	
Saturday 19 th February	9.00 am	
Sunday 20 th February	9.00 am	
	6.30 pm	For Parishioners

Parish Notice Board

Special Thanks to La Salette Missionaries

A very big thank you to Fr. Mariusz and Fr. Krysz for covering the Masses in my absence.

Second Collection – Sunday 13th February

Our second collection today is for Racial Justice.

Parish Finance:

The collection for 16.01.22 was as follows:

Gift Aid: £96 Loose Plate: £104.15 Total £200.15

Please Pray for the Sick and Housebound in our Parish:

Kathleen Clifford, Anna Heneghan, Pat Lark, George Malaj, Sheila McCurdy, Sheila Murphy, Rachel, Mary Scully, Mary Thurgood, Mary Wright, Rose Yates, Claire Ryan in Emerson Court and John Buckley.

Communication Desk

Thresholds of Hope Question

Sponsored Sleepout

“Caritas Diocese of Brentwood are inviting people from the night of April 8th to the morning of April 9th, to join the 2022 Sponsored Sleepout; Raising awareness and money to help our local homeless charities and the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service. All information can be found at www.caritasbrentwood.org/sleepout or by emailing sleepout@dioceseofbrentwood.org”

Be part of the Walsingham House Team 2022/23: If you are 18+ and looking for an exciting gap year opportunity, then a year on the Walsingham House Team could be for you. Spend a year as a volunteer in a thriving young Catholic Community, working with thousands of young people from Essex and East London. We are looking for inspiring individuals who want to share their faith with other young people and are also looking to learn new skills, grow deeper in their own faith and enjoy a challenge. For more information, please contact Joseph Beattie, manager of Walsingham House, by emailing josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org or calling 01277 373959. There is more information about our work on our website (www.bcys.net) and social media @Brentwoodcys (From Claire Bailey Director of Youth Ministry, Diocese of Brentwood)

Bishop's Certificate in Catechesis and Youth Ministry

The Bishop's Certificate is designed to be an entry level qualification to help in the ongoing formation of adults involved in sacramental preparation or youth ministry in the Diocese of Brentwood. It includes both the development of practical skills & the deepening of theological knowledge. The course is online and taught through engaging, short videos with expert interviews. The course will begin on the evening of 24th February, with an introduction and welcome evening, held at Walsingham House at Abbotswick. For more information, please see our website: <https://bcys.net/bishops-cert/> or email your expression of interest to bishopscertificate@dioceseofbrentwood.org by Monday 22nd February. (From Claire Bailey Director of Youth Ministry, Diocese of Brentwood)

Opportunities within our Diocesan schools

Head of School - St Francis Catholic Primary School, Maldon

L8 - L12 Required for September 2022.

The Governing Body are seeking to appoint an inspirational, enthusiastic, motivated and dedicated person to help lead St Joseph's, South Woodham Ferrers which, along with St Francis, Maldon which constitute the Federation of Christ The King. Deadline for applications: 9:00 am on Friday 28th January 2022. For further information please contact the school office for an appointment on 01621 856698.

Headteacher - Holy Cross Primary School, Harlow

Starting salary L17 – L23 (£63,745 - £73,660). Required for September 2022.

The Governors of Holy Cross invite applications from experienced, enthusiastic and suitably-qualified practising Catholics, to play a key role in the leadership and management of our school to continue to build on our successes. Deadline for applications: 12:00 pm on Monday 21st February 2022. For further information please contact Karen Slater, PA to Headteacher, on 01279 424452 to arrange this. Alternatively if you would like an application pack please contact Karen Slater by email: karenslater@holycross-pri.essex.sch.uk.

Cleaner – Forest Gate:

A cleaner is required to manage effectively the routine cleaning of St Antony of Padua Parish, Forest Gate. The successful applicant will ideally have experience of working in a similar environment. The applicant must have excellent communication skills. It is

important that all applicants are self-motivated, organised, can multi-task and work to deadlines within this role.

Hours per week – 12 hours, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-1pm, (you may occasionally be required to work Saturdays).

The salary for this post is £11.05 per hour.

Closing date: Friday 4th February 2022.

Please send a CV and covering letter (around 500 words) to the Parish Office via email forestgate@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

Further details of these vacancies and other are available from the diocesan website

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>

Parish Priest: Fr Britto Belevendran, (01708 507020)
Parish Administrator: Daphne Thomas, Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri (10am-1pm) (01708 507020)
Pastoral Team Leader: Graham Daniels (07542 588763)
Steward of the Gospel: Mandy Meadway (07801 470516)
Parish Finance: Mrs Stephanie Mallen (07983 962465)
Diocesan Safeguarding Representative: Katie Nash (07825 293308)
Hall & Lounge Bookings: English Martyrs Parish Office (01708 507020)
Church & Hall Caretaker; Mike Dineen (07415 727926)

The English Martyrs Catholic Church (Diocese of Brentwood)

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<http://englishmartyrshx.weebly.com/>

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