**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, GREAT BARDFIELD** The Brentwood Diocesan Trust **and ENGLISH MARTYRS, THAXTED** Registered Charity No.234092

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**Masses and Mass Intentions** (Please contact Fr Celestine if you would like a Mass offered.)

**SATURDAY 11th and SUNDAY 12th OCTOBER 2025. Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

**Father Celestine’s reflection. The Healing effects of Gratitude.**

**OCTOBER is the month of the ROSARY remember October devotions.**

**Mass intentions of the week: Jean and Ronald Atkin, R.I.P. Samantha and her family. Sp. Intention.**

**SATURDAY 11th OCTOBER. 5 pm. Vigil Mass in the United Reformed Church Bolford St. Thaxted.**

**SUNDAY 12th OCTOBER. 9.30 am Mass at Great Bardfield.**

**Refreshments after Mass.**

**NOTE CHANGE IN MID-WEEK MASSES. Thursday instead of Wednesday.**

**Tuesday 14th October. 9.30 am Mass in Great Bardfield.**

**Thursday 16thOctober. 9.30 am Mass in Great Bardfield.**

**Friday 17th October. 9.30 am Mass followed by Holy Hour in Great Bardfield.**

**SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER. 5 pm. Vigil Mass in the United Reformed Church, Bolford St., Thaxted.**

**SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER. 9.30 am. Mass in Great Bardfield.**

**Retiring Collection at both Masses for World Mission Day.**

# Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for our numerous sick parishioners and their families.

# Fiona Walsh, Claire Foley, Oliver Hutchings, Keith Chapman, Maureen Edwards, Audrey Stabb, Maggs Kissane, Carolyn Munro, Robina Debnam, Alison Parrish, Mandy Day, Mary Edgecombe, Noah Wiseman, Linda Wheater, Camilla Smith, John Latham, Emily Blackburn, Steph Hughes, Christy Donlon, Pam Gale, Hazel Latham, John Yates, Simon Middelboe, John and Gillian Fahy, Patricia McClenahan, Aimee McClenahan, Linda Rust, Karen Dawson, Paddy March, Mary Doe and Kathleen Mason.

**Please Pray for the souls of Joseph Kelly, Michael Ward Thomas, Titania Roberts, Desmond Johnson, Jack Stuckey, Anne Henderson and Sam Cox whose anniversaries occur at about this time. May they rest in peace.**

**Offertory:** for the year to 5th April 2025. Total Income: £ 31,806. TotalExpenditure: £ 54,832. Deficit: £ 23,026.

**Last week. Income: Cash. £ 50 (estimate) Standing Orders: £ 286.87. Gift Aid ( est.) £ 70.00. Estimated total: £ 406.87.**

**To avoid cash handling when giving to the Church please donate by monthly Standing Order or online banking only.**

**The Church banks with HSBC sort code: 40-13-22; a/c no. 71025457. Full a/c name “Catholic Church, Great Bardfield Mission which may be shortened to “Great Bardfield Mission.”**

**If you are a U.K. taxpayer and have not already done so, please complete a Gift Aid Form so that the Parish can collect an extra 25% on your giving. Forms are available from Sheelagh Foort: sheelaghfoort@** [hotmail.com](http://hotmail.com) **or from Kate Fox.**

**FOODBANK DONATIONS.**  Bring donations to the Holy Spirit Bardfield when it is open for Mass and leave inside the main entrance door in a carrier bag. Kate Fox will collect and liaise with St Mary’s Great Bardfield who will deliver to the Centre in Braintree.

**If you would like to make a financial donation**, you can send a cheque payable to “Braintree Area

Food Bank Ltd to Braintree Food Bank, Unit 6, Lakes Industrial Estate, Lower Chapel Hill, Braintree, CM7 3RU Or you can give it to me to forward. Many thanks, Kate Fox.

To donate to Uttlesford Food Bank which includes the Thaxted area, please make your cheque payable to “Uttlesford Food Bank” and send to Rebecca Cushway, Treasurer of the Uttlesford Food Bank, Stansted House, Shire Hill, Saffron Walden, CB11 3AQ.

**REPOSITORY AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES AND ST. ANNE LYNE DUNMOW.**

Margaret Joyce reminds us that they have a stock of Mass Cards, Get well, Birthday, Sympathy and Candle cards. Also wooden pocket crosses, footprints bookmarks, thumbstones, rosaries and medals.

Call Margaret on 01371 872474 for further information.

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