

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, GREAT BARDFIELD
ENGLISH MARTYRS, THAXTED**

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Facebook: [theholyspiritchurch](https://www.facebook.com/theholyspiritchurch)

Masses and Mass Intentions

Father Richard returned home from Broomfield Hospital on Saturday 5th March.

Please 'phone him for a chat on 01371 830808.

SUNDAY 17th APRIL 2022.

Our Church in Bardfield will be open for Mass at 9.30 on Sundays.

COVID is far from over but:

Relaxation of Covid Protocol from Saturday 5th February.

Please see full details overleaf.

SUNDAY 17th APRIL 2022. EASTER SUNDAY – THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD.

Mass at 9.30am

Celebrated by Fr. Frank Jackson.

There will be refreshments after this Mass.

SUNDAY – 24th April 2022– SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER. MASS at 9.30am

Celebrated by a visiting Priest

MASS at ST. THERESA OF LISIEUX, STANSTED.

6pm on Saturday and 8.30 and 10 on Sunday mornings.

THAXTED PARISH CHURCH open. Covid measures – face masks and distancing.

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

Fr. Richard, Claire Foley, Mike Altree, Oliver Hutchings, Maria Moore, Derek Smith, Lawrence Reeve, Keith Chapman, Maureen Edwards, Audrey Stabb, Jenny Egerton, Maggs Kissane, Carolyn Munro, Robina Debnam, Alison Parrish, Mandy Day, Ida Thorp, Mary Edgecombe, Noah Wiseman, Michael Farrugia, Sara Booth, Linda Wheeler, Camilla Smith, Robert Walbanke, John Latham, Emily Blackburn, Steph Hughes and Christy Donlon.

Please Pray for the souls of John Williams. Amy Florence Rowe, Ted Bassett, Mary Mullarkey and Jane Nally whose anniversaries occur at about this time. May they rest in peace.

28th May 2022. Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Join Bishop Alan and people from the Diocese as we celebrate the Year of the Family “Hearing and Doing the Word of God.” Please see separate email with the details.

SUNDAY 29th MAY 2022. 9.30 am.

There will be confessions after this Mass celebrated by

Fr. Gladson Dabre of Clare Priory.

SUNDAY 5th JUNE. 2022. CONFIRMATION. Our remaining 5 Confirmands will be confirmed at Mass on Pentecost Sunday, 5th June by Fr. Frank Jackson. Please continue to pray for them.

SATURDAY 11th JUNE 2022. 11am. FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS will take place at a Mass Celebrated by Fr Stefan Park of Clare Priory

Children’s Liturgy at Mass on the First Sunday of each month

will be led by Robina Debnam in the Priest’s flat. Please attend in Church upstairs initially.

**Offertory: for the year to 5th April 2021. Cash: £ 1,069. Envelopes £ 270. S/ O £ 416.87. weekly average
Total Offertory Income for financial year to 5th April 2021: £ 23,016.15. Gift Aid Claim: £ 4,776.85.**

Message from the Parish Treasurer.

To avoid cash handling of offertories 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.” Mick Hughes.

OUR SYNODAL JOURNEY TOGETHER. This is an initiative of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis. The Synod should develop how our teaching can be lived and applied in our time. What changes does the Church need to make? How can the Church best serve the world? But it is not to discuss the traditional truths of Christian Doctrine.

The Diocese has launched its Synodal Pathway. We should now be sharing out thoughts and listening to others. You can learn more on Spotify: Our Journey Together

Or on soundcloud: Our Journey together

Or on the Diocesan website: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/synod-2021-2023/our-journey-together-training/>

A COPY OF THE SUBMISSIONS OF THE PARISH to the DIOCESE can be found at the back of the Church. **ROOT & BRANCH SURVEY AND PETITION.** If you missed the meeting on Saturday 26th February, Harriet invites you to respond to the Root & Branch Survey which is to be found at: events@rootandbranchsynod.org

NEW COVID REGIME.

No need to sign in. Hymn Books and Missals may be used.

Masks are not mandatory but still recommended.

Lateral flow tests no longer required before attending Mass but please do not attend if you are feeling ill.

Please continue to sanitise your hands on arrival and to maintain social distancing of one metre.

Altar Servers will return to their full duties.

Readers will no longer need to sanitise before reading and may touch the Lectern.

The Offertory Collection and Procession will take place as before but Servers will carry the wine and hosts.

The sign of peace should still be contactless. A nod for example.

If you wish to receive communion on the tongue, you must be at the end of the line.

Please wrap up well because of ventilation efforts.

The toilets and kitchen will be open. After Mass conversation should be outside Church.

Brentwood Cathedral Youth Service Lourdes Pilgrimage 23rd to 30th July 2022. For young people in Years 11-13 with Young Leaders over 18. Bookings are now open. For further details see email to follow or go to www.bcys.net/events/s/22/

THE DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE will take place from Sunday 24th to Friday 29th July 2022. It will be the first time in 3 years that the diocese has returned to Lourdes. Brochures – including cost – will be available soon. For further information contact Cathy O'Connor, The Administrative Director: cathy@dioceseofbrentwood.org

FOODBANK DONATIONS. Many of you have asked how you can continue to support this valuable resource. I have arranged with St Mary's Great Bardfield to join with them as they have someone who delivers donations to the centre in Braintree or wherever there is most need. The key food cupboard items are still in demand: tea bags, pasta, pasta sauce, tinned fruit and vegetables, sugar rice etc. If you bring donations to The Holy Spirit, Bardfield when it is open for Mass and leave inside the main entrance door in a carrier bag I will collect and liaise with St Mary's. Kate Fox.

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 by Bank Transfer to: CAF Bank, A/c name: Braintree Area Food Bank Ltd. A/c No: 00029229; Sort Code 40-52-40 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,
The Treasurer, Uttlesford Food Bank, Stansted House, Shire Hill, Saffron Walden, CB11 3AQ.

Our Deanery has submitted its Draft Renewal & Restructuring Document to the Bishop's Office.

The document is on the Parish Website and Facebook pages. A hard copy is by the Renewal Notice Board in the Church at Bardfield. The publication of Parish Partnership Plans has been postponed without a date.

REPOSITORY at OUR LADY and ST ANNE LINE, 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.

BRENTWOOD MONTHLY YOUTH MASS EVERY FIRST THURSDAY of the Month in the Cathedral.

Normally, something to eat from 6pm followed by Discussions from 6.30 and Mass in the Cathedral at 7.30. Suggested age is Year 9 and above. Further info: www.bcys.net/events

General Data Privacy Regulation (GDPR). –If you are on a Parish rota or otherwise interested in continuing to receive our Parish Newsletters and updates, please do remember to complete and return the "GDPR General Communications" Consent form to your Parish Council contact as soon as possible. [Phillip Slater](mailto:Phillip.Slater).

THAXTED CHURCHES TOGETHER.

at United Reformed Church Bolford Street 4 to 5.30pm.
To be followed by Messy Church on 2nd Wednesday of each month from 3.30 to 5.30pm.
Church with a difference for families involving fun. See: thaxtedmessychurch@outlook.

For later in the year.

[NOT RELEVANT FOR THE TIME BEING.]

FOOD BANK – BRAINTREE. First Sunday of the Month. Thanks to all who continue to donate. The aim is to collect donations on the First Sunday of each month when there are refreshments and attendance is high. A list of preferred items is at the back of the Church.

Note that these can change from month to month. Thank you for your continued support. Kate Fox.]