



St Thomas More & St Edward Catholic Church Newsletter

Sunday 8th March 2026

Sat 7th	Rosary Vigil Mass of Third Sunday of Lent (A) Ms Joane Evaristo RIP (Remembrance)	6pm 6.30pm
Sun 8th	Mass - Third Sunday of Lent (A) People of the Parish	9.30am
Mon 9th	Mass Monday of the Third Week of Lent Zephaniah Millwood RIP	9.30am
Tues 10th	Mass Tuesday of the Third Week of Lent People of the Parish	9.30am
Wed 11th	No Mass	No Mass
Thurs 12th	Mass Thursday of the Third Week of Lent People of the Parish	9.30am
Fri 13th	Mass Stations of the Cross (all Fridays of Lent) Friday of the Third Week of Lent People of the Parish	9.30am 10am
Sat 14th	Rosary Vigil Mass of Fourth Sunday of Lent (A) Eric Cheek RIP	6pm 6.30pm
Sun 15th	Mass - Fourth Sunday of Lent (A) 'Laetare' Sunday People of the Parish	9.30am

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THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN PREPARATION FOR EASTER

- As part of our preparation for Easter we attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Jobin will be available for individual confessions 9-9.30am (before weekday Masses) throughout Lent. On **Friday 27th March**, Father will be available 7-8pm for individual confessions.

MOTHER'S DAY SALE - Next weekend (14th and 15th March) there will be a sale of plants & gifts in the church foyer. There are some beautiful things to buy so don't miss out!

GIFT AID ENVELOPES - After 6th April we will no longer use the coloured gift aid envelopes. If you'd like support with setting up a standing order for online payments, please just ask in the office.

ACCOUNTS & GARDENING SUPPORT - These are still urgently needed in the Parish. Please support if you can!

PARISH SPRING CLEAN: Please stay **after Mass on Sunday 8th March** for our Parish Spring Clean of the church and garden. Our cleaning and gardening teams do an amazing job but we can't leave it all to them so please **bring your dusters/cloths/sprays/long poles for window cleaning** and let's do it together! For the garden, please bring your tools for weeding and planting.
Refreshments will be provided
THANK YOU!

Ministers of Holy Communion:

7th March: D.Allen 14th March: A.Palin
8th March: M.Duffy 15th March: B.Smith

Upcoming Events

A SERIES OF 4 LENTEN LECTURES 2026: Will take place at Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall commencing **Wednesday 25th February 2026** at 7.30pm. Please see foyer poster for details.

The theme this year is: "What does it truly mean to be Catholic?" This invitation is to the whole Diocese of Brentwood. All Welcome!

LOURDES WITH OUR DIOCESE - Join Bishop Alan & pilgrims from across our diocese in Lourdes this summer: **Friday 17th - Friday 24th July 2026**. Bookings will open shortly at <https://www.tangney-tours.com/brentwood>

CARITAS LENTEN GIVING CALENDAR: We are collecting items as a Parish during Lent to be donated to a local foodbank. Please see posters and donate if you can. Thank you!
DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – 23rd May 2026: Join Bishop Alan and other Brentwood parishes in Walsingham. Celebrate Mass at the Basilica before walking the Holy Mile to the grounds of Walsingham Abbey to celebrate Vespers and Benediction on the site of the Holy House. If you would like to come please ask Di Russell for information.

Vacancies

Headteacher – St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Hornchurch. Deadline 6/3/26

Deputy Headteacher – St Joseph's Catholic Primary, Stanford-le-Hope: 12/03/26

Class Teacher – St Antony's Catholic Primary School, Woodford Green: 19/03/26

Deputy Headteacher – Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School, Chelmsford: 20/03

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