

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Holyday of obligation – 19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup> September

|             |                  |                                       |
|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Holy Family | <b>6pm (sat)</b> | <b>Mass</b> Maureen Margaret Wall RIP |
|             | <b>8:30am</b>    | <b>Mass</b> People of the Parish      |
|             | <b>10am</b>      | <b>Mass</b> Frances Letchford RIP     |

Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> September – **SAINT MATTHEW, Ap. Ev.**

|             |            |                                         |
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| Holy Family | <b>9am</b> | <b>Mass</b> Ronald Benjamin Wainer RIP  |
|             | <b>1pm</b> | <b>Funeral Service</b> John Frank Gough |

Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September – **Feria of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time**

**No Mass**

Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September – **Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**

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| Holy Family | <b>9am</b> | <b>Mass</b> |
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Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> September – **OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM**

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| Holy Family | <b>9am</b> | <b>Mass</b> Harry Wall RIP |
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Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September – **Feria of the Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time**

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| Holy Family | <b>9am</b> | <b>Mass</b>                                                                  |
|             |            | Followed by Adoration and Benediction<br>Fr Eduard available for confessions |

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Holyday of obligation – 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> September

|             |                  |                                  |
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| Holy Family | <b>6pm (sat)</b> | <b>Mass</b>                      |
|             | <b>8:30am</b>    | <b>Mass</b> People of the Parish |
|             | <b>10am</b>      | <b>Mass</b> Ann Mc Inerney RIP   |



**Remember to have a Mass offered for your loved ones.**

One day, we too will be a Holy Soul, depending on others to pray for us.

‘Therefore he made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin.’ 2 Maccabees 12:45



Newsletter for

## Holy Family Benfleet

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Priest in charge: **Rev. Dr. Eduard-William Färtan**



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### John Frank Gough

3rd July 1940 – 16th August 2026

We are sad to announce the passing of John Frank Gough, aged 86, on 16th August, 2026.

He passed away at home surrounded by his family.

**The funeral will take place at Holy Family Church on Monday, the 21<sup>st</sup> September 2026 at 1pm**

and will be followed by the burial at Woodside Cemetery at 2:30pm.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this time of sorrow and grief.

May he rest in peace!

### ADOREMUS 2026 - SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

This year, after major Eucharistic events in Liverpool and Birmingham, the Adoremus Eucharistic Festival comes to London. It will take place on Saturday 10th October 2026.

9:10am meeting at Benfleet Station for the 9:26 train.

We arrive at St George's Cathedral Southwark.

10:30am – Presentations on Art and Life at 10:30 am

12:00 – Mass concelebrated by the Bishops of England and Wales, followed by a keynote address by HE Timothy Cardinal Radcliffe, OP on 'The Eucharist: Our Sacrament of Hope in dark times'.

3pm – Eucharistic Procession to Westminster Cathedral

5pm – Benediction given by Bishop James Curry.

Please don't forget your packed lunch.

### THE CALL TO BE HUMAN: an introduction to Catholic morality

Four talks to be given by Fr Martin Boland, parish priest of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead. For more information go to [www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com](http://www.ourladyoflourdeswanstead.com) All welcome.

ST. THOMAS MORE HIGH SCHOOL  
**SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING,**  
**THURSDAY 1st October 6.00-8.00 P.M.**  
Headteacher's talk at 7.30pm

For families who have students – boys and girls – in year 11 of secondary school who are intending to begin sixth form studies in September 2027. 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.

### Offertory Collection Figures

The Brentwood Diocesan trust – Reg. Charity No. 234092

*Gift aid it please!*

|                                          | 2026    | 2025 | 2024 | Attendance               |
|------------------------------------------|---------|------|------|--------------------------|
| 12 <sup>th</sup> / 13 <sup>th</sup> Sep. | £453.47 | -    | -    | 132 adults + 35 children |

These figures do not include standing orders, which will be included in the annual report

### First Holy Communion Programme 2026-2027

If you are interested in your child making their First Holy Communion there will be a **meeting after the 6pm Mass on Saturday 26th September**. Your child must be baptized and in year 3 or above. At the meeting Father Eduard and the catechists will explain how the programme runs and outline their expectations. First Holy Communion application packs will be available to collect after the meeting.

Fr Eduard, Catherine, Imelda, Tracy

### Freedom in Christ Conference

on Saturday 3rd October from 1-3pm at Holy Trinity Church, Trinity Square, South Woodham Ferrers, CM3 5JX.

Discover five keys to genuine freedom in Christ and to experience His amazing love, joy, and peace. Many of us, despite our best efforts, struggle with the same sins and feel hopeless in our search for freedom. Come and discover how the Lord can bring healing and freedom from spiritual bondages such as addictions, fear, anger, envy, lust, greed, and unforgiveness.

### ST BERNARD'S HIGH SCHOOL

**Part Time Librarian – Monday-Wednesday – 8.00am-4.00pm – to start as soon as possible**

Salary Scale 7-12 £26,403 – £28,598 (pro rata actual salary £13,764 – £14,908)  
Please complete a support staff application form which can be found on our website in High School/Key Information/Vacancies, and email it to [recruitment@stbernards.southend.sch.uk](mailto:recruitment@stbernards.southend.sch.uk).  
Please note that CVs will not be accepted

### BCYS Rooted 2026 – Years 7-9 / Years 10-13

Rooted – Saturday 24th October for years 7-9 / Sunday 25th October for years 10-13: A brand-new day of faith, friendship and adventure for young people with the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service, at Walsingham House. With inspiring talks, workshops, outdoor activities, team challenges and prayer, it's a great opportunity to meet other young Catholics and grow in faith. For more information and to apply please visit [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events)

Thank you so much for helping us share these opportunities with young people, families, catechists and parish communities. Your support in promoting our events makes such a difference and helps us reach more young people across the Diocese.