

+ TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME+

Holydays of obligation – 6th / 7th September 2025

Holy Family	6pm (sat) 8:30am 10am	Mass People of the Parish Mass Cathy Calabria RIP Mass Andrade Family in thanksgiving
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Monday, 8th September – **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Holy Family	9am	Mass Tommy Toland RIP
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Tuesday, 9th September – **Feria**

No Mass

Wednesday, 10th September – **Feria**

Holy Family	9am	Mass Tim Rooke RIP
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Thursday, 11th September – **Feria**

Holy Family	9am	Mass
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Friday, 12th September – **Feria**

Holy Family	8:30am	Mass
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Holydays of obligation – 13th / 14th September

Holy Family	6pm (sat) 8:30am 10am	Mass Mass People of the Parish Mass Amelia-Rose & Arthur Thompson RIP
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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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St Thomas More Alumni **LAST EVER** Annual Dinner - Saturday 11th October

After 27 years the organisation for former pupils and staff members of St Thomas More High School in Westcliff has decided to hold one last Annual Dinner. It will take place in the school on Saturday 11th October. Guest Speaker will be Tony McDonald (headteacher 1981-85) and the cost for a four-course meal will be £30.

Full details are available on the Alumni website: www.stmalumni.co.uk

Brentwood Catholic Youth Service – Youth Gather, 25th – 26th October

Youth Gather is a weekend of faith, fun and friendship – with speakers, workshops, prayer and outdoor activities, meeting friends old and new, and all while sharing in and celebrating our Catholic faith. There will be coaches offering transport from around the Diocese included in the cost, as well as all meals, cabin accommodation and activities. This event is for year 9 and above. Apply now at www.bcys.net/events

Applications Open for The OHP Academy Worship Leadership Training

We're excited to share an opportunity that could help strengthen music ministry across the parish.



The OHP Academy is a six-month **online worship school** for aspiring worship leaders, musicians, and songwriters who want to grow in their practical gifts to serve their local parish or context. The Academy nurtures worship leaders to lead with greater prayerfulness and beauty, helping communities enter more deeply into the richness of the liturgy.

The next Academy begins in **September**, with applications closing in early September. An **Early Bird Discount** is available for those who apply and pay by **31 August**.

There are also **diocesan packages** available – offering discounted places where a diocese would like to invest in supporting individuals to take part.

For more information and to apply, visit:

👉 www.onehopeproject.co.uk/ohpacademy

Offertory Collection Figures

The Brentwood Diocesan trust – Reg. Charity No. 234092

Gift aid it please!

	2025	2024	2023	Attendance
	£1940	£444.73	£400.47	117 + 41 children

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

Ingatestone Hall Tea & Tour

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is excited to invite you to a special day exploring the beautiful Ingatestone Hall!

Join us for a private guided tour led by Lord Petre or his son, giving you a rare glimpse into this stunning 16th-century Grade I listed manor house. The tour lasts about 1½ hours, and afterwards, you'll be treated to tea and cake in the parlour – a lovely way to relax and chat!

Date: Thursday, 11th September

Times: 10.30 am and 12.30 pm (two tour options)

Tickets: £25 per person – you can reserve yours here: <https://eu.jotform.com/form/251772844632361>

Note: Please be aware that access is limited due to the historic nature of the building, which may not be suitable for individuals with mobility challenges

If you'd like more info, please get in touch with Julie:

Email: jabbott@bccs.org.uk / 07912277413

and we look forward to welcoming you to Ingatestone Hall for a day of history, hospitality, and stunning architecture.



Prayer to St Michael the Archangel

Holy Michael Archangel, defend us in the battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast down into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.