



**Parish of St Sabina, Brightlingsea
and St Monica, Wivenhoe**

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St Sabina's Church: Richard Avenue, Brightlingsea CO7 0LP

St Monica's Church: De Vere Lane, Wivenhoe CO7 9AU

Third Sunday of Lent(A) 12th Mar 2023



Jesus and the Samaritan Woman at the Well, by Guercino

Psalm: O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts

Online parish calendar <https://b-a-wparish.org.uk/parish-calendar/>
BwW YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/c/brightlingseawithwivenhoeaparish>
Forthcoming parish live streams <https://tinyurl.com/y2exhmbm>
Parish Twitter https://twitter.com/bww_catholic
Parish Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/bwwparish>

Card payments

Please note that the card machine is silent so please feel free to use it during Mass if you want to. We have removed the gift aid from the machine so that the donation is 2 screen taps and then a tap with your contactless card.

Offertory Donations

The parish relies exclusively on the money we give or raise in fundraising. Here is the webpage where you can make offertory donations online or download a standing order form in order to make a regular donation to the parish.

<https://b-a-wparish.org.uk/giving/>

St Augustine's session this week will be The Mystery of Easter.

Parish Council: At the 28th February meeting, the Parish Council was informed that parish finances have become a matter of concern as expenses currently exceed the income. There will be an appeal at Sunday Masses on 26th March to parishioners, presenting the current situation and outlining the need to increase regular giving.

With the Stewards of the Gospels initiative resuming, the parish will be vulnerable to church closures, especially if there are financial difficulties and if attendance at Masses remains low.

Plans need to be made to redress the situation. At the same time, much is owed to many members of the parish who continuously give their time to help (maintenance and upkeep, rotas, supersales and events).

Dates for your diary:

26th March - Information about Parish Finances at Sunday Masses

23rd April - Masses of thanks giving at St Sabina's and St Monica's for all those who help in the parish, followed by special cakes/teas/coffees

21st May 2:30pm - Afternoon tea at Brightlingsea presbytery garden, to raise funds for the sisters in the DRC

27th May - Diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham led by Bishop Alan

23rd July - Parish barbecue starting at 1:30pm in the Presbytery garden. Children free, adults £5.

25th August 7pm - Quiz night at St Monica's to raise funds for the parish.

18th November 9am-12pm - St Sabina's bazaar

3rd December 1pm – Advent Lunch at St Monica's

Parish Draw Club Reminder.

Could members please note subscriptions are now due for the New Year. New members are always welcome, our membership has decreased over the last few years, so this of course is reflected in the amount we can pay out in prize money, and the amount we can give to the Church. Anyone interested in joining please contact Noreen Alcock at St Monica's or phone 01206 520809 for details. Thank you for your support.

It would be useful to know if there are people in the Parish who can drive a 17 seater minibus occasionally. Please speak to Fr Mark.

The Faith Southern Break - for 10-15years old children will take place this year from Mon 7th August to Thurs 10th August at Woldingham School Surrey. More information about how to book a place soon.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023: Join Bishop Alan in Lourdes from Monday 24th July to Saturday 29th July. We can support those with medical needs. For further information, please phone Tangey Tours on 01732 886 666 or bk online: <https://www.tangey-tours.com/pilgrimages/Lourdes/brentwood-lourdes>

Gift Aid- If you are a UK taxpayer and donate either by standing order, cash or envelope please take and complete a Gift Aid form. Please contact Mel: giftaid-brightlingsea@dioceseofbrentwood.org

You can download a gift-aid form at: <https://b-a-wparish.org.uk/giving/>

Hospital Visiting If you know of anyone who is in hospital and would like a visit from the Catholic Chaplaincy please let Fr Mark know on 07843 758961 and telephone the Hospital Chaplaincy at Priory Street - 01206 866317.

Please Pray for: Andrew, Riley B, Barbara Br, Nicholas Cl, Pauline H, Margaret Macl, Leanne M, Joan M, John O'H, Elizabeth P, Chrissy R, Mel S, Linda S, Hugh T, Amanda C T, Chris W, Claire Vic.

If you would like to be on the prayer list, please send an email to Fr Mark's email address (brightlingsea@dioceseofbrentwood.org) Please indicate if you would

like your full name to be put down or an anonymised version of your name. Please note that if a person is sick we would require their consent to put them on the prayer list. Please also let us know if you are no longer in need of prayer.

Third Sunday of Lent (A)

Sun 12-03

9:00am St Sabina Sunday Mass *People of the Parish*

10:25am St Augustine's: The Mystery of Easter

10:30am St Monica Sunday Mass *For the Work of Radio Maria England (AC)*

Mon 13-03

8:30am St Sabina Eucharistic Adoration (Confession available)

9:30am St Sabina Mass *Francis Richard Moore RIP(LS)*

Tues 14-03

8:30am St Monica Eucharistic Adoration (Confession available)

9:30am St Monica Mass *Jim Lynas RIP(B)*

Wed 15-03

8:30am St Sabina Eucharistic Adoration (Confession available)

9:30am St Sabina Mass *Parents of Catherine Mary Nicholson RIP (LS)*

Thurs 16-03

8:30am St Sabina Eucharistic Adoration (Confession available)

9:30am St Sabina Mass *Charles Cavill RIP (B)*

Fri 17-03 The Feast of St Patrick, Bp

8:30am St Monica Eucharistic Adoration (Confession available)

9:30am St Monica Mass *Miss C E Elwood RIP (B)*

Sat 18-03

10:am St Monica Mass *World Peace (DMC)*

Fourth Sunday of Lent (A) (‘Laetare’ Sunday)

Sun 19-03

9:00am St Sabina Mass *Catherine Mary Nicholson RIP*

10:30am St Monica Mass *People of the Parish*