



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

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

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

First Sunday of Advent (B) 3rd Dec 2023



The Last Judgment by Michelangelo (1541) in the Sistine Chapel, Rome

Psalm: God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved

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/5aum7646>
Parish Twitter https://twitter.com/bww_catholic
Parish Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/bwwparish>

St Augustine's: This week – Advent 111 The Shepherds

The Funeral of David Darlington will take place on Wednesday 6th December at 2pm at St Mary the Virgin church, Great Bentley. This is the Medieval Church on the edge of the village green in Great Bentley. Please continue to keep David and Jean and the family in your prayers.

Beacon House

Every year the SVP collect various items to donate to the homeless at Beacon House. There is a box for these at the back of the churches. On Sunday 3rd December we will be making up the Christmas bags after Mass at St Monica's. We would welcome individuals & families who would like to assist with this.

Parish Lunch

Thank you to all supported this event, which was enjoyed by all

Friends: Our Christmas party will be held next Tuesday 5th December at St Monica's starting at 10:15am with Morning Prayer. Come along and join us to start off the festive season with a glass of mulled wine, accompanied by stollen, mince pies and good company.

Advent Day of Mercy

An advent Day of Mercy will be taking place on Friday 8th December at St James the Less, Priory Street. With Mass at 9:30am and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all day. Confession will be available all day after the morning Mass with benediction at 9pm.

Parish Draw Club Winners:

October M Scammell £20 U. Alcock £10

New members always welcome to the Parish Draw Club anyone interested please contact Noreen on 520809 for details.

Second Collection at St Monica: This weekend For National Youth Sunday

Mass for the sick & housebound people Saturday 16th December at 3pm at St Monica's from 2pm onwards. With the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confession. Mass with the Anointing of the Sick will follow at 3pm. If anyone needs transport the SVP are able to help. Please contact Chris Cooper on 07739033378.

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) offers therapeutic support directly to children, young people, families and parents through their Child and Family Counselling Service (CFCS) located in their centre in Billericay. Families can contact BCCS directly by emailing Donna Booth dbooth@bccs.org.uk who will outline the type of support that will be provided for them or their child. There is a charge for this service, but they urge any families needing support to contact them. More information is available on their website: www.bccs.org.uk

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/>

There are a range of vacancies for staff in our parish schools across the diocese. Please find further information by following this link. <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>

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@brcdt.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

Please Pray for: Andrew, Riley B, Barbara Br, Nicholas Cl, Pauline H, Margaret Macl, Leanne M, Joan M, 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@brcdt.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.

Dates for your Diary

Forty Hours-devotion at the beginning of Advent

Friday 8th Dec- Advent Day of Mercy at 9:30am to 9pm at St James the Less

First Sunday of Advent (B)

Sun 03-12

8am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession available
9:00am St Sabina Sunday Mass *Daniel Doyle (LD)*
10:20am St Augustine's this week: The Shepherds
10:30am St Monica Sunday Mass *David Darlington RIP (NA)*

Mon 04-12

9:30am St Sabina Mass Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life

Tues 05-12

9:30am St Monica Mass *Pope Francis*

Wed 06-12

2:00pm No Mass at St Sabina today
St Mary the Virgin Great Bentley *Funeral of David Darlington*

Thurs 07-12

8:00am St Ambrose, BP, D
St Sabina Mass *Mrs A Gilpin*

Fri 08-12

9:30am The Immaculate Conception of the BVM
St Monica Mass *David Darlington RIP (SVP)*

Sat 09-12

10:00am St Monica Mass *World Peace*

Second Sunday of Advent (B)

Sun 10-12

9:00am St Sabina Mass *People of the Parish*
10:30am St Monica Mass *David Darlington RIP (Friends)*