



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

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

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The Epiphany of the Lord (B) 7th Jan 2024



The Adoration of the Magi, Painting by Gerard David (1484-1523)

Psalm: All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord

Online parish calendar <https://b-a-wparish.org.uk/parish-calendar/>
BwW YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/c/brightlingseawithwivenhoeaparish>
Forthcoming parish live streams <http://tinyurl.com/3dy6j9up>
Parish Twitter https://twitter.com/bww_catholic
Parish Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/bwwparish>

Pastoral Letter on the Stewards of the Gospel Process

This Sunday we will hear a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Alan for the Feast of the Epiphany. He speaks about continuing the implementation of the Stewards of the Gospel Process. A copy of the Pastoral Letter is attached.

Father Michael Butler

Yesterday Bishop Alan sent a message to the clergy to let us know that Fr Michael Butler is very unwell and to ask us to keep him in our prayers. I know that Fr Michael is greatly loved in this parish and remembered with great fondness by many people - so I wanted to let you know this news and about this request for prayers.

St Augustine's: The Epiphany

Friends: Our first meeting in the New Year will be on Tuesday 9th January at St Monica's. Come along and join us at 10:15am for Morning Prayer, followed by coffee, cake and convivial chatter. Newcomers welcome.

Parish Draw Club:

New members always welcome to the Parish Draw Club. Please contact Noreen on 01206 520809 for details or at St Monica's. Thank you for your support.

'Retrouvaille'

This is a Catholic programme but is open to married couples of any faith or none. It is offered as a gift from the Catholic Church to any married couple who wish to heal the difficulties they are experiencing in their marriage. The programme is presented by trained volunteers who themselves have experienced the programme and want to share the benefits they have gained first hand in their own relationships. The presenting team on the weekend also include a priest who has experienced the programme and believes that it has something to offer couples in difficulties. Do explore the 'Retrouvaille' website.

[www.retouvaille](http://www.retouvaille.org.uk) .org.uk for further information or contact us for a chat about what we are doing.

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, Gloria 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.

The Epiphany of the Lord (B)

Sun 07-01

8am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession available
9:00am St Sabina Sunday Mass *Ann Woodward RIP (PB)*
10:20am St Augustine's: The Epiphany
10:30am St Monica Sunday Mass *People of the Parish*

Mon 08-01

The Baptism of the Lord

9:30am St Sabina Mass *Yvonne G. Berg RIP (GB)*

Tues 09-01

9:30am St Monica Mass *Francis Forrest (Anon)*

Wed 10-01

9:30am St Sabina No Mass today

Thurs 11-01

9:30am St Sabina Mass *Bishop Alan*

Fri 12-01

9:30am St Monica Mass *Pope Francis*

Sat 13-01

10:00am St Monica Mass *World Peace*

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) (Peace Day)

Sun 14-01

9:00am St Sabina Mass *Rosemary & Jennifer Gitong (GC)*
10:30am St Monica Mass *People of the Parish*