



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

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time(C) 27th July 2025



Hermit Praying in the Wilderness, Painted by Willem Van Mieris (1662-1747)

Psalm: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord

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

First Holy Communion

We are making preparations for next year's First Communion Programme. Please speak to Fr Mark if you would like your child to make his or her First Communion. Children should normally be in school year three or older.

Confirmation

We are making preparations for next year's Confirmation Programme. Please can young people who would like to be Confirmed speak to Fr Mark.

Volunteers for the University Sandwich Rota. We are looking to increase the number of volunteers who supply sandwiches for the students, after the Sunday Chaplaincy Mass at Essex University. If you would like to join the rota, and for more details, please speak to Fr Mark.

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School. If you are still considering the right school for your child this September- or if you didn't secure your first choice-we would warmly invite you to consider St Teresa's Catholic Primary School, where a few places remain in our Reception class for 2025. Please contact our school office on 01206 508445 or email office@stteresa.essexsch.co.uk to arrange a visit.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, 22nd- 25th August -Taking place in the grounds of Ampleforth Abbey the Youth 2000 Summer Festival provides young adults (aged 16-35) from across the UK the opportunity to come together and explore faith, build relationships and find hope. This four-day festival includes great speakers, social time, break-out sessions, adoration and much more! Register your place at: <https://www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025>.
<https://www.instagram.com/youth2000uk/>

What is God? Philosophical, Christian and Islamic Approaches, 22-25 August 2025. Our annual course in partnership with CEPHAS will look at the nature and knowledge of God from a pre-religious, philosophical understanding, before comparing the Islamic concept of God with the Christian, learning on St Thomas Aquinas' elaboration of the Trinity and the Incarnation. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/what-is-god/>

The Faith Movement- Set in the beautiful grounds of Ampleforth Abbey near York and St Mary's School, Ascot; The Faith Movement have several events

taking place during the Summer. These events are held for multiple age groups including 11-15 year olds and 18- 30-year-olds. For more information please click the link: <https://www.faith.org.uk/events/faith-summer-break-2023-1-1>

Knights of Saint Columba - Holy Relics Tour 2025 of St Margaret of Scotland, St Columba and St Andrew. Below is the timetable of the tour:

Thursday 31st July at Our Lady of Light and St Osyth, 12pm – 6pm.

Friday 1st August at Our Lady of Light and St Osyth, 8am – 10am

Money counters Helpers are needed who would be able to spend some time to help count money. We would need people to help approximately once a month. The counting takes place after the 10:30 am Mass at St Monica. Please speak to Fr. Mark.

Parish Draw Club - New members welcome, please contact Noreen at St Monica's if you are interested.

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/>

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 email finance-brightlingsea@brcdt.org .

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.

We're going to review the Prayer List For The Sick

Please let us know if you would still like to be on the list.

Please Pray for: Andrew, Riley B, Barbara Br, Nicholas Cl, Pauline H, Margaret Macl, Leanne M, Joan M, Chrissy R, Mel S, Linda S, Hugh T, Amanda C T, Chris W, Rosaleen, B Lord. 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.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sun 27-07

8:00am Adoration before Mass with Confession
9:00am St Sabina Mass *People of the Parish*
10:20am St Augustine's: Starts again in September
10:30am St Monica Mass *Irmengard Toller RIP (NA)*

Mon 28-07

9:30am St Sabina No Mass Today

Tues 29-07 Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus

9:30am St Monica No Mass Today

Wed 30-07

9:30am St Sabina No Mass Today

Thurs 31-07 St Ignatius of Loyola, Pr

9:30am St Sabina No Mass Today

Fri 01-08 St Alphonsus Mary de' Liguori, Bp, D

9:30am St Monica No Mass Today

Sat 02-08

10:00am St Monica Mass *Terry Bulmer RIP (Anv) (G&MB)*

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sun 03-08

8am Adoration before Mass with Confession
9:00am St Sabina Mass *Dorothy & Harry Whatnell RIP (CC)*
10:30am St Monica Mass *People of the Parish*