



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

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1st Sunday of Lent Year B – 17/18 February 2018



Psalm response: *Your ways, Lord are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.*

Next week: Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Ps 115:10,15-19; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10

The funeral of Pat Pearce will take place at St Monica's on Monday 19th February at 2pm. Please keep Geoff, her relatives and friends in your prayers.

Confession before Mass at St Monica's this Sunday 9:15-9:45am

Children's catechesis in St Augustine's:

Next Sunday - 25th February - The Good Samaritan

The Building work at St Monica's

Please note that due to the alterations to the toilet facilities at St Monica's the toilets will be out of action for about two weeks from 20th February until work has been completed. Also, there won't be weekday Masses at St Monica's during the duration of the works.

Vacancy – person required for paid position of Parish and Chaplaincy Assistant to assist in Brightlingsea with Wivenhoe parish and University of Essex Chaplaincy. 10 hours per week. Timing of work can be negotiated. If you – or any family / friends – are interested, please first contact Fr Mark Swires – email: Brightlingsea@dioceseofbrentwood.org for a job description and person specification.

You should then send in your CV, with a covering letter demonstrating how your experience and skills match the essential requirements of the role. Closing date for CVs is 1st March 2018.

For those who receive the newsletter by email – I have attached a pdf Stations of the Cross which you could look at on your computer screen or smartphone. Why not do the Stations of the Cross in a few minutes each day during Lent?

Stations of the Cross – We will be having stations of the Cross in the parish on Thursdays this year. Due to the work taking place at St Monica's the stations for the first two weeks will be at St Sabina's in Brightlingsea. Stations of the Cross: Thursday 22nd February – 7:30pm in St Sabina's in Brightlingsea. Altar servers are encouraged to altar serve for the Stations if they are able to...

The organizers of the Diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage 22-28th July 2018 are looking for people who could help with nursing care during the pilgrimage. Please contact the pilgrimage administrator, Cathy O'Connor - cathy@brentwoodlourdes.org - Telephone: 01206 735623.

St Patrick's Theme Night - The parish SVP conference is inviting you all to this year's St Patrick's Theme Night, to be held at the Congregational Church in view of the work that will be carried out at St Monica's. There will be traditional Irish food but also a vegetarian option, music, dance and a raffle. All funds raised by our parish will be donated to the Sisters in the DRC who do so much valuable work with the most deprived people of their country. The event will take place on 17th March, starting at 7pm. Tickets will be available after weekend masses (adult £10, family £25).

Preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Please speak to Fr Mark and collect an application form if you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion. This is for children in school year 3 or older.

Young people in the parish who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation: please can the young person or family (as appropriate) speak to Fr Mark about this.

Helping with the University Chaplaincy. Could you help making sandwiches for the University Chaplaincy? We are hoping to increase the number of helpers so that people would make sandwiches once every two months on average during term time. So that would be four or five times a year. Please speak to Fr Mark for more information.

Appeal for car drivers to ferry Parishioners to/from Church

If you can help please contact George Dooley - phone 01206 824052

Women's World Day of Prayer. at the United Church, Chapel Road Brightlingsea. Friday 2nd March 2018 at 2pm

The service this year is prepared by Christian women of Suriname.

Please Pray for: Andrew, Elizabeth Akpoyoware, Riley Bennett, Barbara Brittain, Andree Bruce, Nancy Budworth, Nicholas Clarke, Brian Coates, Arthur Cole, Paula Collins, Maggi Dilworth, Sheila Frost, Yvonne Holly, Pauline Hunt, Margaret MacLeod, Maria Mangion, Leanne Mills, Joan Murray, John O'Hara, Elizabeth Pace, Chrissy Rooney, Mel Scammell, Linda Sharpe, Maura Stone, Marie Taylor, Hugh Teegham, Amanda Clarke Titchenar, Alison Wilson, Chris Wonfor,

Times of Holy Mass and Confession
at St Sabina's, Brightlingsea & St Monica's, Wivenhoe

Sat 17 Feb - Vigil of First Sunday of Lent (Year B)

5:30pm: Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:50pm Confession

6pm	St Sabina	Maria Cooper RIP
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Sun 18 Feb- 1st Sunday of Lent (Year B)

9:15-9:45am Confession (in St Augustine's)

10am	St Monica	Eileen Wise RIP
12:10pm	University	People of the Parish

Mon 19 Feb

2pm	St Monica	Funeral of Pat Pearce
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Tue 20 Feb

9am	St Monica	No Mass
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Wed 21 Feb

9am	St Sabina	Pope Francis
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Thu 22 Feb The Chair of St.Peter

9am	St Sabina	Bishop Alan
7:30pm	St Sabina	Stations of the Cross

Fri 23 Feb

9am	St Monica	No Mass
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Sat 24 Feb

9am	St Monica	No Mass
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Sat 24 Feb - Vigil of Second Sunday of Lent Year B

5:30pm: Eucharistic Adoration 5:30-5:50pm Confession

6pm	St Sabina	Lily Bessie Pammet
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Sun 25 Feb - Second Sunday of Lent (B)

9.45-10.30 Children's session in St Augustine's

10am	St Monica	Sean Gallagher RIP
12:10pm	University	People of the Parish