

Welcome!

Welcome to your Year 6 Leavers' Mass, brought to you via YouTube from the Chapel at Walsingham House, home of the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service.

Even though we cannot gather together as a class or a community, you are very welcome as you join us and hundreds of Year 6 pupils across the Diocese of Brentwood, as we celebrate and give thanks for all that is good about you and your community.

Do join in with the songs, the prayers and the sign language!

Opening Hymn: Be still for the presence of the Lord, composed by David Evans

Be still for the presence of the Lord The holy one is here Come bow before him now With reverence and fear In him no sin is found We stand on holy ground Be still for the presence of the Lord The holy one is here Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place He comes to cleanse and heal To minister his grace No work too hard for him In faith receive from him Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place

Be still for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around He burns with holy fire With splendour he is crowned How awesome is the sight Our radiant king of light Be still for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around

At the beginning of Mass, a pre-recorded message from Bishop Alan, to all our Year 6 pupils, will be played.

Gloria, composed by Mike Anderson

Gloria! (clap clap) Gloria! (clap clap) In excelsis Deo. Gloria! (clap clap) Gloria! (clap clap) In excelsis Deo.

Lord God heavenly King, peace you bring to us! We worship you, we give you thanks, we sing our song of praise!

Jesus, Saviour of all, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away our sins, oh Lord, have mercy on us all!

At the Father's right hand, Lord, receive out prayer. For you alone are the Holy One and you alone are Lord!

First Reading, from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (Ephesians 2:10) We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

Psalm, composed by Christopher Walker

Because the Lord is my shepherd, I have everything I need. He lets me rest in the meadow And leads me to be quiet streams. He restores my soul And he leads me in the paths that are right

> Lord, You are my shepherd, You are my friend. I want to follow always, Just to follow my friend.

And when the road leads to darkness, Tshall walk there unafraid. Even when death is close I have courage, For your help is there. You are close beside me with concert, You are guiding my way

We stand together to greet the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation Alle, alle, alle-luia! (x3) Alleluia! Alle-luia! In love you make me a banquet For my enemies to see. You make me welcome, Pouring down honour from your Mighty hand; And this Joy fills me with gladness, It is too much to bear

Your goodness always is with And your mercy I know. Your loving kindness strengthens me Always as I go through life. I shall dwell in your presence forever, Giving praises to your name



A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (Matthew 13:18-23)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Listen to what the parable of the sower means. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom without understanding, the evil one comes and carries off what was sown in their heart: this is the person who received the seed on the edge of the path. The one who received it on patches of rock is the person who hears the word and welcomes it at once with joy. But they have no root in them, they do not last; let some trial come, or some persecution on account of the word, and they fall away at once. The one who received the seed in thorns is the person who hears the word, but the worries of this world and the lure of riches choke the word and so they produce nothing. And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the person who hears the word and understands it; they are the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold, now sixty, now thirty.'

Prayers of Intercession

We join the prayers of our hearts and our communities with the hearts and communities of Year 6 pupils across the Diocese. The prayers we hear have been pre-recorded by Year 6 pupils from some of our schools.

Pupil from St Teresa's, Lexden

We pray for Pope Francis, our Bishops, Priests and Deacons. We thank you for the leadership of Pope Francis for people across the whole world. We pray especially for priests who are ill, and for priests who have kept on praying for us, even when we could not go to church. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from St Joseph the Worker, Hutton

We pray for every Year 6 pupil in the Diocese of Brentwood; thank you Lord for all of the good memories from our primary schools, and for showing each one of us that we are your work of art. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from St Helen's, Canning Town We pray for our amazing teachers, who have worked so hard in the last few months, and for our whole time at school. We thank you Lord for the example that they have given us, and we ask you to bless them with wonderful summer holidays. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from St Alban's, Elm Park

We pray for our parents and grandparents, for our carers and for everyone who helps to look after us at home. We ask you to bless them Lord, especially when things are not easy for them, and we ask you to help us to be helpful at home. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from St Peter's, Romford

We pray for nurses and doctors in the NHS and in care homes, and for all the key workers who have worked so hard during the pandemic. We thank you for all the people who risk their lives to keep us all safe and well. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from Holy Cross, Harlow

We pray for our friends. We thank you, Lord, for giving us good friends, and we ask you to bless them as they move to new schools. We pray especially for friends who are moving to different secondary schools, and we ask you to help them find wonderful friends in their new schools. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from St Patrick's, Collier Row

We pray for the teachers in our new schools. We ask you to help them to welcome us with kindness and patience, and we thank you for all the new skills and knowledge that they will help us to learn. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from St Joseph's, Dovercourt

We pray for children across the world, and we pray especially for children who are treated differently because of the colour of their skin. We ask you, Lord, to help us to always welcome everyone with the same love that you show to each one of us. Lord, in your mercy

Pupil from St Mary's, Tilbury

We ask Mary to join her prayers with ours, as we pray together:

Hail Mary, full of grace The Lord is with you Blessed are you amongst women And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus Holy Mary Mother of God Pray for us sinners Now and at the hour of our death Amen.

Offertory Hymn: Amazing Grace, composed by John Newton

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear. And Grace, my fears relieved. How precious did that Grace appear The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come; 'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far and Grace will lead me home. Communion Hymn: Servant King, composed by Graham Kendrick

From heav'n You came, helpless Babe Entered our world, Your glory veiled; Not to be served but to serve And give Your life that we might live

This is our God, the Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King

There in the garden of tears My heavy load He chose to bear; His heart with sorrow was torn 'Yet not my will but Yours,' He said Come see His hands and His feet The scars that speak of sacrifice; Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails surrendered

So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone Him; Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving

Post-Communion, 'May the road rise to meet you', sung by the Sacred Heart of Mary Girls School Virtual Chamber Choir

May the road rise to meet you May the wind be ever at you back May the sunshine warm upon your face And the rain fall soft upon your fields And until we meet again

May God hold you, may God hold you Ever in the palm of his hand

Final Hymn, 10,000 Reasons, composed by Matt Redman, sung by St Helens Junior School Choir

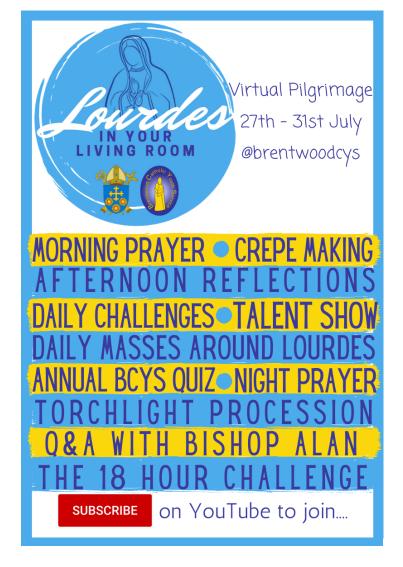
Bless the Lord, Oh my soul Oh my soul, worship his holy name Sing like never before, Oh my soul I'll worship your holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning It's time to sing your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore







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