

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

175 YEARS ~ 1837 - 2012

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD[B] **April 1st 2012**

My dear friends,

We come to Holy Week, the most solemn of the Church's celebrations. I hope you will come in good numbers to the three main services of the Easter Triduum; the Mass of the Last Supper on Thursday evening at 8pm; the Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday at 3pm and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night at 8pm, the first Mass of Our Lord's Resurrection.

At the Easter Vigil we welcome six new members into our community: Tony Brennan, Claire Gillen, David Flint, Joanna Rocks, Peter Reader and Toni Saunders.

On Good Friday morning we join with our fellow Christians on the Walk of Witness which starts off at 12 noon prompt from the Salvation Army Citadel in Butt Road and we make our way to the War Memorial in front of the Castle for a short service at approximately 12:30pm.

Whether you are with us in the Parish or away, I hope you have a very happy and holy Easter.

May God bless you all,

Fr Tony McKentey

Please see Mass Schedule for Parish Holy Week & Easter Services

Polish Holy Week & Easter Services

Tuesday 3 rd	7:30pm	Stations of the Cross	Priory St
Thursday 5 th	8:00pm	Mass of the Last Supper	Monkwick
Friday 6 th	2:00pm	Stations of the Cross	Monkwick
Friday 6 th	3:00pm	Passion	Monkwick
Saturday 7 th	8:00pm	Vigil	Monkwick
Sunday 8 th	1:00pm	Mass	Priory St
Sunday 15 th	3:00pm	Divine Mercy	Priory St
Sunday 15 th	4:00pm	Mass	Priory St

OTHER EVENTS

Wednesday 4 th	7pm	SVP Meeting	Crypt
“ “	7pm	Chrism Mass	Brentwood Cathedral
Saturday 7 th	8am – Midnight	“Pabasa” Chant	Mile End

DAILY Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am
PRAYER GROUP: Next Meeting – April 16th
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays at 8pm Crypt

SICK: Please remember in your prayers Joan Boyden, Frank Campbell, Nancy Drummond, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Maurice Highfield, Pamela Lee, Pat Maloney, Maria Mahy, Cara Maude, Bridie Murphy, Paula Nash, Leah Patterson, Sabina Rhatigan, Hector Silva, Maria Soutar, Tim Young.

THANK YOU: Thank you to all who supported St Patrick's Night. It really was a very good event. Our apologies to those who were unable to get tickets; we were sold out by 4th March. £519 was raised, which we have divided between the Parish Development Fund and Cardinal Bourne Hall repairs. From Frances and the Social Committee.

EASTER LILIES: If you would like to donate a bloom in memory of a loved one, please enclose whatever you can afford in an envelope marked “Easter Lily” and deliver to the Priests' House.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE: On Monday at 7:30pm here at Priory Street.

CHRISM MASS: On Wednesday at Brentwood Cathedral, begins at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY FOR THE HOLY PLACES: This Diocesan Collection is an important means of support for the Christian Community in the Holy Land, particularly with the current situation in the Middle East.

FILIPINO PABASA: The Filipino community of our parish is holding the “Pabasa”, a Filipino Lenten tradition of continuous chanting the account of

salvation history in Filipino poetry form. It will be held at Mile End and start at 8am on April 7, Holy Saturday, and will continue until 12 Midnight of the same day. Those who are interested to take part in this activity please contact Terri Subebe (07796686486) or Emy Signorelli (01206 854921).

EASTER OFFERING: The Offertory Collection at all the Easter Masses is your personal gift to the Clergy. This collection, together with the Christmas one, forms the main part of the income of Fr Tony and Fr Neil. Thank you.

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE: For newborn and children up to age 6: If you wish to present a child for baptism of this age, the next Baptism Course has been arranged for **Friday 20th April and Friday 27th April at 7:30-9pm** in the Crypt. There is no need to make an appointment but **both sessions** must be attended. *Entry to the Crypt is via the Church.*

SVP COFFEE MORNING: The Refreshments in the Hall after 10.30 Mass on *22nd April* will be organized by the SVP. Proceeds will be shared between the Group in this Parish and the work of Youth SVP nationally. All welcome.

CAMPION SCHOOL: Jubilee Mass for Former Students and Staff, followed by 'Night of the Round Tables' Celebration Dinner to celebrate 50 years of The Champion School, to be held on *Saturday, 21st April 2012* at 7.30 pm in the Main Hall. Mass will be celebrated at 6.30 pm in the Jubilee Hall, Fr Andrew Headon will be the main celebrant. If you are a former student of Campion or member of staff and would like tickets (£30 each) for this event, please contact Mrs Noddings at the school (01708 452332 ext 223).

YOUTH DIARY DATE: THE BCYS BIG LUNCH - Open day at Walsingham House - Sunday 3rd June. An afternoon open to all - chilled out fun at Walsingham House. There will be a licensed bar, activities for all ages, an opportunity to visit Walsingham House and have a look round if you've not been before. 1 pm Big Lunch – bring your own picnic. 4pm Afternoon cream teas. 6pm-10pm Hog Roast and live music. Full details to follow.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Applications are invited for the post of Parish Administrator at Priory Street, vacant as from the beginning of June. This is a part-time post of 24 hours per week. Candidates must be skilled in the use of Word, Excel, Databases, with a proven track record in administration/maintenance issues. Absolute integrity and discretion are essential, together with the ability to work under pressure. For a full Job Description and other details, please contact Fr Anthony McKentey on 01206 866317.

PARISH FOOTBALL TEAM: "Our recent poor form continued when we lost 2-1 to Ipswich based Hope Church. Our final match of the season is on Saturday April 14. We will be looking to strengthen the squad over the summer". Danny Ferdinand reporting.

CHURCH CLEANING: Thursday, April 5th - Team 5.

LITURGY FOR PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD[B]

April 1st 2012 – [For all Polish Services etc., – see overleaf]

Saturday April 1st	6:15 pm	Moira and Dennis Pryke RIP
Sunday April 2nd	8:00 am	Canon John Bloomfield RIP
	10:30 am	D/Rels: Marius/Petersen Families
	6:30 pm	Intentions: Mrs E MacPaclan
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Maura Dorning RIP [EG]
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Carmine Cestari&Fappiano Gelsomina
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15am	Parishioners

Monday 2nd **MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK**
Church **7:30 am** Fr Gerard Ryan RIP [A]
Church **9:15 am** Michael Devins RIP
Church **11:00 am** **REQUIEM – ERIC PROUDFOOT RIP**
Church **7:30 pm** **PENITENTIAL SERVICE**

Tuesday 3rd **TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK**
Church **9:15 am** Luke Chelatampu RIP
Monkwick **11:00 am** Intentions: Brian Wright

Wednesday 4th **WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK**
Church **7:30 am** Intentions: Ria and Family
Mersea **10:00 am** Holy Souls RIP
Church **12:15 pm** Intentions: Philip and Alice White

Thursday 5th **THURSDAY IN HOLY WEEK**
N.B. No morning

Mass **EASTER TRIDUUM**
Church **8:00 pm** Parishioners
Friday 6th **GOOD FRIDAY** **Fasting and Abstinence**
Mile End **10:00 am** Stations of the Cross
Church **10:30 am** Children's Stations of the Cross
Church **3:00 pm** **Solemn Liturgy of the Passion**
Church **7:30 pm** Stations of the Cross

Saturday 7th **HOLY SATURDAY** **First Mass of Easter**
Church **8:00 pm** Mrs Nan Redmond RIP

LITURGY FOR THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD [B]

April 8th 2012

Sunday April 8th	8:00 am	Richard Brown RIP [JHA]
	10:30am	Agnes Chee RIP
	5:00 pm	HOLY HOUR
	6:30 pm	Lucy Walker RIP [WH]
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Parishioners
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Richard Brown RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15am	Mary & Gordon Scanlan RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION *Saturday 9:45-10:30am and 5:30-6:00pm*
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM *Baptismal Courses arranged as per Newsletter*
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE *At least six months notice is required*

SCHOOLS *St Thomas More* Head: Bridget Harris [865722]
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