

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

Saturday August 1st	6:15 pm	D/Rels: Mathew family
Sunday August 2nd	8:00 am	
	10:30 am	Terry Hilton RIP
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Ints: Caroline & Gareth Copping
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	William Brookes RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Parishioners
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Harold, Denise and Alan Smith RIP
Monday 3rd	Feria	
<i>Church</i>	7:30 am	Ints: Keene family
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
Tuesday 4th	St John Vianney (Curé of Ars), Pr	
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Julie Haywood RIP
Wednesday 5th	Feria	
<i>Church</i>	7:30 am	Margaretta Wright RIP
<i>Church</i>	12:15 pm	D/Rels: Udall family
Thursday 6th	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD - Feast	
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Stephen Hilton RIP
<i>Church</i>	6:30 pm	
Friday 7th	Feria	
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Holy Souls RIP [FG]
<i>Church</i>	6:30 pm	Bridget Lloyd RIP
Saturday 8th	St Dominic, Pr	
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Canon John Bloomfield RIP

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

Saturday August 8th	6:15 pm	Lionel Wright RIP
Sunday August 9th	8:00 am	
	10:30 am	Ints: Rose McCarthy
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	5:00 pm	HOLY HOUR
	6:30 pm	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Frances Walker RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Parishioners

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (see newsletter)
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE At least six months notice is required

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My dear friends

Presentation to Fr Neil Brett

Fr Neil's last weekend with us will be the 29th / 30th August. We would like to make a presentation to him after the Sunday evening Mass that weekend. If you would like to be associated with this presentation, there will be a retiring collection at all Masses on the previous weekend 22nd / 23rd August. You can also send contributions via the presbytery in an envelope marked "Fr Neil's Presentation". Cheques should be made payable to "Catholic Church Colchester".

Fr Neil has worked very hard on our behalf during his five years as an Assistant Priest. I'm sure that you would all want to be associated with a gift to express our appreciation for all that he has done.

May God bless you all

Fr Tony

PARISH OFFICE: Gareth's final day was Friday July 31st. We thank him for his "Tour of Duty" during the last three years and wish him well in his future career. He has been a cheerful and positive influence on the office and I know that he will be missed. His post in Holborn has been increased to full-time and it will involve a wider range of responsibilities. He will become a daily commuter! He will be continuing to act as registrar for weddings here at Priory Street. He has agreed to make a return visit to say goodbye properly once Fr. Tony is back. Until a replacement administrator is appointed, the Parish Office will be staffed but differently from before. Your patience is therefore sought:-

When requesting Masses to be said, please use the envelopes provided in the porch, and then post them through the Presbytery letter box.

If you wish to speak to a priest on a non-urgent matter or make an appointment, please telephone. If a priest is not available to answer your call, always leave a clear, brief message and include your name and a contact number. The phone is monitored continuously, so emergency calls to the clergy will be acted upon as swiftly as possible. Thank you.

Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes

SUNDAYS: Divine Mercy followed by Rosary 3pm
DAILY: Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am
EVENING PRAYER: Fridays at 6pm Church
PRAYER GROUP: Mondays at 7:45pm Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays at 8pm Crypt
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 9:45am – 10:30am and 5:30pm – 6pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers; Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, John & Olive Crawford, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Tony Ferrick, Charlie George, Bill Graves, Jim Harvey, John Harvey, Bert Hewitt, Maurice Highfield, David Hill, Jan Holden, Ronald Jay, Mary Jose, Pat Keene, Patrick King, John Lawlor, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Mercedes, David Merryman, Byron Miller, Olive Newland, Margaret Norman, Charles Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Stephen and Sabina Rhatigan, Chris Sands, Margaret Scammell, Aimée Stammers, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Mary Wallace, Patricia Wiltshire, , Tony White, Mary Wynne, Dorcey Young.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTISED? You will need to attend the next Baptism Course which will take place on Friday 18th September and Friday 25th September in the Crypt from 7:30pm – 9pm (new borns up to age 6). There is no need to make an appointment – just turn up but both sessions must be attended. Entry to the Crypt is via the Church.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Ron Crockford and Stephen Ginns, former parishioner and Chairman of Governors at St Benedicts. Mr Ginn's Requiem Mass will be the 7th August 2pm at Our Lady and English Martyrs, Cambridge. May they rest in peace.

FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD: This Thursday 6th August.
There will be an additional Mass at 6:30pm.

EXPOSITION AND CONFESSIONS on Saturday morning will resume on the 8th of August.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Denver & Jamie-Lee who were married at Priory St this weekend.

SECOND COLLECTIONS: There will be an appeal on the weekend of the 8th / 9th of August when we welcome the Society of African Missions.

MASS INTENTIONS: We are very fortunate in this parish to have Mass offered every day, sometimes twice a day. If you would like Mass to be offered for your intentions, for the intentions of your loved ones or departed relatives, please use the Mass Intention envelopes that are available from the back of church and post through the Presbytery Letter Box. It is appropriate to include a donation to the priest, this is known as a Mass Stipend. Thank you.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS WEEKEND AT AYLESFORD: 31 October - 1 November, YCA will be running a weekend with the assistance of the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge there will be—Sung/High Masses and Marian Procession, Gregorian Chant Workshops, Rosaries, Confessions, socials and Talks (Fr. Pearson and renowned author Donel Anthony Foley). £5-£95 for the weekend (Sat-Sun:- full board). For more details ring 07908 1057 87 or visit youngcatholicadults.co.uk/events.htm

THE BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE: October 2015 to Our Lady's Shrine in Knock and the opportunity to Climb St Patrick's Holy Mountain. Year 12 or above. Cost is £350 inclusive. Forms are available now at bcys.net/events or email info@bcys.net for more information. There are only 25 places, so sign up fast.

A FESTIVAL FOR YOUNG ADULTS: Youth 2000 is an international initiative that seeks to draw young people (age 16-35) into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. There is a large youth festival in Walsingham on the 27th of August - 1st of September, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham.

ASSISTED SUICIDE: On Friday 11th September the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill to legalise assisted suicide. Please contact your MP, urging them to attend the debate and vote against the Bill. You can send an e-mail to your MP via the Catholic Bishops' Conference website (www.catholicnews.org.uk/assisted-suicide) or send a letter by post, a draft of which can be found at the back of the Church.

MONKWICK NEWS: Many thanks to Joyce for hosting our July coffee morning. Our next coffee morning will be on Saturday 8th August with a later than usual start time of 11am. Margaret Everett, Woodlands, Roman Hill, Blackheath CO2 0BX. You are all most welcome to come along.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 6th August – Team 3