

# ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

## CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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### Sacrament of Confirmation

The Confirmation programme begins this Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February, the first meeting is in the Crypt from 4:30pm until 6pm. The minimum age for Confirmation in our diocese is 14, so we are calling all those who will be that age before July this year, when Bishop Alan will administer the sacrament on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July at the 10:30am Mass. The meetings will be monthly on the second Sunday of the month and all the dates will be given this afternoon. We would invite also any young person who has not been Confirmed to consider joining this programme and to take this opportunity, as we await Bishop Alan William's first Visitation and Confirmation in this parish.

### First Holy Communion Programme

Our First Holy Communion candidates have begun their preparation and they will be formally Inscribed as Candidates at the 10:30am Mass today. We pray for them, their families and catechists as they make this journey of preparation.

### St Barnabas Society

This society supports convert clergyman from different denominations, who need help when they come into the Catholic Church. They haven't appealed in the parish for several years, and representatives will say a few words after Mass next Sunday and at Mersea and Monkwick on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be a second collection next weekend for this.

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<b>Saturday February 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:15 pm</b>	Jim Kennedy RIP [MW]
<b>Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Mary Rafter RIP
	<b>10:30 am</b>	Ints: Sykes family
	<b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>POLISH MASS</b>
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>HOLY HOUR</b>
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Claire Lowry RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	<b>8:30 am</b>	Joan Donnelly RIP [A & MB]
<i>Mile End</i>	<b>9:15 am</b>	Theo Tinneveld RIP [E&JM]
<i>Monkwick</i>	<b>10:15 am</b>	Parishioners
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>	
	<b>Church 7:30 am</b>	D/Rels: Betts Family
	<b>Church 9:15 am</b>	Canon John Bloomfield RIP
	<b>Church 11:00 am</b>	<b>REQUIEM MASS – Thelma Stang RIP</b>
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Scholastica, V</b>	
	<b>Church 9:15 am</b>	Mrs Mary Roche RIP
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>OUR LADY OF LOURDES – Diocesan Feast</b>	
	<b>Church 7:30 am</b>	
<i>West Mersea</i>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE</b>
<b>NB</b>	<b>Church 12:30 pm</b>	<b>REQUIEM MASS – Norah Hewitt RIP</b>
	<b>Church 6:30 pm</b>	
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>	
	<b>Church 9:15 am</b>	Derek Harvey RIP
	<b>Church 11:00 am</b>	<b>REQUIEM MASS – Robert Bowers RIP</b>
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>	
	<b>Church 9:15 am</b>	STM Yr 3 - D/Rels: Udall family
	<b>Church 6:30 pm</b>	Norah Hewitt RIP [AC]
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SS CYRIL, Monk and METHIDIUS, Bp – European Feast</b>	
	<b>Church 9:15 am</b>	Freda Hilton RIP

### **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]**

<b>Saturday February 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:15 pm</b>	Ints: Neil & Sarah Hopgood (Margaret Barker RIP)
<b>Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Carol Korving RIP
	<b>10:30 am</b>	Oksana Zakhleniuk RIP
	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>POLISH MASS</b>
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Parishioners
<i>West Mersea</i>	<b>8:30 am</b>	Henry Johnson RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	<b>9:15 am</b>	Sean Madden RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	<b>10:15 am</b>	Denise Smith RIP

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Saturday 9:45-10:30am and 5:30-6:00pm  
**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE** At least six months notice is required  
 Cardinal Bourne Hall [cb.hall@btinternet.com](mailto:cb.hall@btinternet.com)

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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  
SCRIPTURE GROUP Wednesdays at 10am  
Crypt  
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays 9:45am – 10:30am and 5:30pm – 6pm

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK (new entries are in bold type):** Please remember in your prayers; Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, Olive Crawford, Paul Crocker, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Charlie George, Bill Graves, Bert Hewitt, Maurice Highfield, David Hill, Theresa Hogan, **Janet Irven**, 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 Merryman, Byron Miller, Margaret Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Stephen and Sabina Rhatigan, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Robert Bowers, Vivian Bowkett, Margaret Saunders, Norah Hewitt, Martin Hutchinson, Aida Mahoney & Thelma Stang.

Thelma Stang	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	11:00am	Priory St
Norah Hewitt	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	12:30pm	Priory St
Robert Bowers	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	11:00am	Priory St
Martin Hutchinson	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	11:30am	Priory St
Vivian Bowkett	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	2:30pm	Priory St

May they rest in peace.

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES:** Extra evening Mass beginning at 6:30pm.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:** Thank you for the very generous collection for the Parish Development Fund which raised £944. Because of the St Barnabas Society collection, we will not have a collection for the Lourdes sick and helpers pilgrimage fund, but will send a donation.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Ash Wednesday falls on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. A full list of Lenten events will be published next weekend.

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME:** Commences this Sunday February 8th at 4:30pm in the Crypt. This is a monthly commitment. Also, the course includes a trip to Flame 2 in March.

**OLD PALM CROSSES:** Please bring in your old palm crosses which we will then burn to make the ash for the Imposition of Ashes on Ash Wednesday.

**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY:** we join the prayer vigil outside the Marie Stopes Abortion Facility, Buckhurst Hill. Mass here is at 7:30 am followed by breakfast in the crypt (volunteers please!) We leave by car at 8:30 am prompt for St Thomas of Canterbury, Woodford Green. At approximately 9:45 we will start the procession to Buckhurst Hill. We should be back at St Thomas by 12:30. Bring your rosary!

**PRIORY STREET THEATRE GROUP:** Interested in joining Priory Street Theatre Group? We are holding auditions for our next musical show in September on Wednesday 11th February in the Cardinal Bourne Hall at 7.30 pm. Minimum age 13 years. Come and join us or for more information contact Lesley on 01206 512310.

**100 CLUB:** 2015 subscriptions are now due (£12 an entry). Please contact John Sales T: 795623

**PILGRIMAGE TO SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA:** Pilgrimage along the 'Camino' to Santiago de Compostela, Spain. April 2016 with the Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre. This is a nine day pilgrimage which allows for walkers or coach travellers or a mixture of the two. If you would like to join this pilgrimage please phone 01206 867296 or email [crssuk@canonesses.co.uk](mailto:crssuk@canonesses.co.uk) to request a brochure or it can be downloaded from our website [www.canonesses.co.uk](http://www.canonesses.co.uk)

**THE FRIENDS OF PERU:** Thank you to everyone who supported the Beetle Drive. As always, it was a fun night and made a profit of £155. We are also grateful for all the support during 2014. Our fund-raising events, sales of Peruvian craft and recycled cards has enabled us to send £1,600 to the Sisters of Mercy Mission in Peru.

**IN CONVERSATION WITH FR CHRISTOPHER JAMISON OSB: What inspired Fr Christopher to become a Monk and a Priest? Come and hear his story.** Fr Jamison is well known for his broadcasts on Radio 2. He served as Abbot of Worth Abbey and was responsible for the BBC series "The Monastery". Open to everyone ages 17-35 and especially those discerning a vocation to Priesthood and the Religious Life. Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 7:30pm – 10:00pm at St Margaret's Church Hall, 79 Barking Road, Canning Town. E16 4HB. [www.brentwoodvocations.org](http://www.brentwoodvocations.org).

**DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES:** Please join Bishop Alan and parishioners from across the Diocese at Brentwood Cathedral at 3.00pm on Sunday 15th February, for Mass to celebrate one of the Patrons of Brentwood Diocese, in the week of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Many hundreds take part in our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes each year – Cathy O'Connor, the pilgrimage administrator, will be on hand to answer any queries you have, and the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service will also be assisting. This special celebration will include candles blessed in Lourdes, and everyone is very welcome. There will be refreshments after the Mass. For more information please visit [www.brentwoodlourdes.org](http://www.brentwoodlourdes.org) or call Cathy on 01206 501146.

**CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Team 2**