

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



YEAR OF FAITH 2012
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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C] – 8th September 2013

HERITAGE WEEKEND EVENTS HERE AT ST JAMES THE LESS & ST HELEN and the ABBEY GATEHOUSE

Thursday, 12 September

8:00pm: A talk in the Crypt by Françoise Guild, parishioner and artist, on her latest work, Our Lady of Walsingham. There will be a social get-together after the talk and all are welcome.

Friday, 13 September [2pm-5pm]:

Start of Art Show featuring work by Françoise Guild and St John Payne's Art Club [headed by Ann Bates] whose chosen theme is Historic Colchester.

2pm: In the Church, a talk on St Helena, a saint for Colchester, and her quest to find the true Cross, given by Jennie Guthrie-Stevens.

Saturday, 14 September [Refreshments available from 10:30am-3pm]*

10am: Guided tours of the Church throughout the morning on request with Pauline Rook.

11am: "Windows of the Soul" - Discover the meaning of our stained glass windows with Valerie Quinlivan.

12:30pm: Françoise Guild will talk about pilgrimages from Colchester to Walsingham throughout the ages. [In the Crypt].

2pm: A guided tour led by Dr Ron Griffin from outside the Church to the site of St John's Abbey, passing through Roman and medieval areas, finishing with a

short talk from Paul Everett on Eudo, the Norman founder of both the Abbey and Colchester Castle.

3:30pm: "John Joseph Scholes and Pugin – God's Architects" - A Tour and explanation of the architecture of our Church and the influences which affected the design, given by Helena Gibson.

4:30pm: Close for Services

7:45pm: Organ Recital by Wolfgang Fauser, parishioner and Colchester Organist.

St John's Abbey Site, Saturday, 14 September [Open from 10:30am - 4pm]

There will be a display of Abbey history under the arches of the 13th century Gatehouse, the only structure remaining of what was once the fourth largest Abbey in England.

2pm: Talk by Paul Everett on Eudo, founder of the Abbey and of Colchester Castle.

Sunday, 15 September [Open from 10:30am – 4pm]

Access to Gatehouse room and display downstairs all day.

11am: Short talk entitled "Cromwell to Cromwell" about the influence both men had on the Abbey site, given by Jennie Guthrie-Stevens.

2pm: "Poetry at the Gatehouse". Linking through poetry the sacred history of the site from the first 9th century Anglo Saxon church of St John the Evangelist to Blessed Robert Southwell, a Jesuit martyr whose link to Colchester was through his aunt, Katherine Audley, sister-in-law of Thomas, Lord Audley, who remained steadfast in her beliefs throughout the 16th and early 17th century. Please bring your own chair.

*Including vegan and vegetarian options. [Thanks go to Sainsbury's for voucher].

Full details/maps of all events in Colchester are detailed in the Heritage Open Days pamphlet available at the back of Church and visit www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/events

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 8pm
Crypt			
MEDITATION GROUP:		Tuesdays	at 8pm
Crypt			

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Anne Barry, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Ian Cole, Stanley Crane, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Alphonse Knapp, Declan Knight, Mirella Leonardi, Val Ling, Maria Mahy, Pat

Maloney, Cara Maude, Paula Nash, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Sabina Rhatigan, The Sharfraie Family, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Ron Wheeler, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

FOR PEACE IN SYRIA: Pope Francis has asked for prayer and fasting to our Lady, Queen of Peace, whose birthday falls on September 8th. This will be our special intention at the Holy Hour this afternoon.

N.B: NO EXPOSITION ON SATURDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection after all Masses next weekend for the Parish Development Fund.

QUESTIONS ON LIVING THE CATHOLIC FAITH? : You are warmly invited to attend an evening to ask questions on living the Catholic faith, being held during the Year of Faith, on Thursday 19 September 2013 at Priory St from 7.30 pm.

MERSEA NEWS: Our September Coffee Morning is being held this Thursday, 10th September, starting at 10:30am at the home of Bernadette Ebling, 3 Firs Road, West Mersea. Hope to see you all there.

FATIMA: 13th of September: This year falls on Friday. Vespers will be as usual at 6:00 pm followed by Mass in English and Polish. After Mass we will process around the church with an image of Our Blessed Lady. All are welcome! In preparation for the 13th we are saying the Novena to Our Lady of Fatima before the Rosary each morning in church.

DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION: The Knights of St Columba are holding a day of prayer and reflection at Clare Priory on Saturday 14th September. Commencing with Mass at 10.00am, concluding by 4:30pm Own transport required. £12 per head. Please phone: Justin Nathan 01206 241317 or 07845 392684.
Gary Hull 01206 530863; Ron 01206 795715.

CHRISTMAS MARKET: 29th and 30th November. Planning meeting on **Sunday 15th September** after evening Mass in the crypt or call Frances on 369568; Nora on 503410 or contact her in the CBH after the 10:30 Sunday Mass. All ages, skills, talents and ideas most welcome – Thank you.

KSC FAMILY FUN DAY: Saturday 21st September, Mile End Church Grounds, Family Fun Day and BBQ 10am to 5pm, bring your own chairs. Tickets £5 per family and £1.50 PP.

FRIENDS OF PERU: Present a Peruvian Cuisine Evening on Saturday 28th September in the Cardinal Bourne Hall from 7:00pm – 10:30pm. For tickets contact Linda T:762 994 or Nora T: 503410. [also Nora is in the CBH after Sunday 10:30 Mass]. Advance tickets only – no tickets on door.

MONKWICK NEWS: Coffee Morning – Thank you to all those who joined us on Saturday last. Our next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday, 28th September from 10am to 12 noon at 26 Queensland Drive and our host is Joyce Wrobel. All welcome.

JOURNEY IN FAITH WITH RCIA: if you have been thinking of becoming a Catholic or just want to find out more about the Catholic Faith then come along to the Crypt on October 1st at 7.30pm for the start of the next programme.

MISSIO AUTUMN NEWSLETTER: Parishioners are invited to take a *Missio Autumn 2013* Newsletter from the shelf/table at the church entrance. If you wish to become a "Red Box" holder, please contact Ron Griffin after Mass or by phone: 01206 571590.

SPONSORED WALK IN MAY: All monies are now in and a total of £1200 was raised. Thank you very much.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 12th September – Team 2.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C] – 8th September 2013
Parish Mass Book – Page 133 [Racial Justice Day]

Saturday September 7th	6:15 pm	Mr & Mrs Milford RIP
Sunday September 8th	8:00 am	V Rev Canon Joseph Whitfield RIP
	10:30 am	Ints: Adrian Sykes
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	17:00:00	HOLY HOUR
	18:30:00	Ints: Domanie Culley
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Parishioners
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Alfredo Sagnella
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Ints: Pauline Carter
Monday 9th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am Helen & Martin Lydon RIP
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Kitty Foley RIP
Tuesday 10th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
Wednesday 11th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am Michael & Ellen Kate Condon RIP
	<i>Church</i>	12:15 pm Ints: Fr Thomas Wood
Thursday 12th	Feria	
N.B.	<i>Church</i>	9:30 am D/Rels: Udall Family
Friday 13th	St John Chrysostom, Bp.D	
	<i>School Mass Church</i>	9:15 am Holy Souls RIP [F&JG]
	<i>Church</i>	6:30 pm Audrey Evans RIP
Saturday 14th	THE EXULTATION [TRIUMPH] OF THE HOLY CROSS	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Joseph Hoaneau RIP

TWENTY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C] – 15 September 2013
[Home Mission Day]

Saturday September 14th	6:15 pm	Kitty Foley RIP
Sunday September 15th	8:00 am	Ints: Fr Paul Dynan
	10:30 am	Ints: Sykes Family
	4:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Lapin Thérèse Mekongo RIP
<i>Signed Mass</i>	8:30 am	Special Intention [MW]
<i>West Mersea</i>		

Mile End
Monkwick

9:15 am Gelsomina Fappiano
10:15 am Parishioners

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*

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