

# ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

## CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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### NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

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

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St Lawrence, Deacon, M</b>
Church	7:30 am Holy Souls RIP
Church	9:15 am Mary McGinley RIP
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St Clare, V</b>
Church	9:15 am Holy Souls RIP
Church	2:00 pm <b>REQUIEM –STEFANIA ROMANSKA RIP</b>
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Feria</b>
Church	7:30 am Holy Souls RIP
Church	12:15 pm Derek Harvey RIP
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Feria</b>
Church	9:15 am Holy Souls RIP
Church	6:30 pm <b>Fatima Procession and Mass</b>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St Maximilian Kolbe, Pr, M</b>
Church	9:15 am Holy Souls RIP
Church	6:30 pm Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Feria</b>
Church	9:15 am Holy Souls RIP
Mile End	6:00 pm <b>KERALA MASS</b>

### ASSUMPTION OF THE B. V. M. [HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION]

Saturday August 15 <sup>th</sup>	6:15 pm	M Bastiampillai RIP & X Swampillai RIP
Sunday August 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	D/Rels: O'Grady Family RIP
	10:30 am	Intentions: Sykes Family
	4:00 pm	<b>POLISH MASS</b>
	6:30 pm	Holy Souls RIP
West Mersea	8:30 am	Kathleen McCarthy RIP
Mile End	9:15 am	Theo Tinneveld RIP
Monkwick	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 29<sup>th</sup> / 30<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> 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:** The Parish Office will be staffed 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  
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, **Joan Jeal**, Mary Jose, Pat Keene, Patrick King, John Lawlor, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Merces, 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 18<sup>th</sup> September** and **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> 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. [These Baptisms will take place between October and mid December and will be booked during the Course].

**SOCIETY OF AFRICAN MISSIONS:** This weekend we welcome Fr Rob Morland and Fr Sylvester Ogbogu of the "White Fathers" from London. They are preaching and/or appealing at all Masses on behalf of this important missionary work. Please do give generously in the second collection.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Stefania Romanska who has recently died. Her Requiem will take place here on Tuesday at 2pm. May she rest in peace.

**MERSEA COFFEE MORNING:** Off Island! This Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> August, at Mar Richardson – 55, Rectory Road, Rowhedge – 10:30am. All welcome.

**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.

**THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED LADY INTO HEAVEN:** This Solemnity has been moved by the bishops from next Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> of August. The 6:15 Mass on Saturday will be the Vigil of the Assumption and will be followed by a Procession of Our Lady in conjunction with the Polish Community.

**WE WELCOME Diakon Wojciech** who will be here from the Assumption for a few days.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> August, is the feast of St Helen, our Patroness. We will celebrate the feast with Mass at 6:30pm.

**CHURCH FAMILY BBQ:** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 3-5pm. In the Church Garden and Cardinal Bourne Hall. Good food, tea, coffee, soft drinks. Live entertainment, raffle. Play area available for children in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. Admission: Adults £6; Children [aged 5-12yrs] £3. Tickets available from this weekend. Contact: Nora 503410; Frances 366895

**BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY** is looking for individuals to represent their parish and to take part in our '**Run for a Child**' 5K run on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 7pm. The run, organised by Pitsea Running Club, takes place at Westley Heights Country Park, Basildon. There is no need to book, just turn up and run; under 16s are welcome as long as they are accompanied by an adult. The entry fee is only £2 to cover the costs of running this event, so any additional sponsorship money you are able to raise will allow us to continue to support the children and families who need us, so please do your best. For further information or to request a Sponsor Form please contact Julie 01268 784544 / [jabbott@bccs.org.uk](mailto:jabbott@bccs.org.uk)

**ASSISTED SUICIDE:** On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.

**CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> August: Team 4**

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