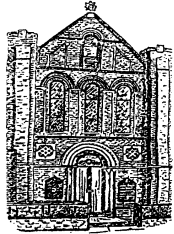


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THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST [B] June 10th 2012

My dear friends

Today we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of the Lord. This feast used to be celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity, reminding us of the day that our Lord instituted the Eucharist, Holy Thursday. It also flows from the feast of the Trinity as the Eucharist is their greatest gift to us. Through Holy Communion, we are united as God's family and share in their divine life.

When Blessed John Paul II visited the Upper Room in Jerusalem in the year 2000, he reflected on the gift of the Eucharist, these are his words:

"As if it were not enough that the life of the Trinity dwells in us through the Holy Spirit, Christ himself becomes part of our very being, in a new kind of incarnation, through the great gift of Holy Communion."

Today we have extra devotion to the Blessed Sacrament at 1pm and also the Holy Hour at 5pm. May devotion to the Blessed Sacrament continue to flourish in our parish.

May god bless you all.

Fr Tony McKentey

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Please see Mass Schedule for ALL changes

Wednesday 13th June 7:00pm SVP Meeting Crypt

DAILY Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am
PRAYER GROUP: Mondays at 8pm Crypt [see below]
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays at 8pm Crypt

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

MERSEA CELEBRATION: There is a Vigil Mass at St Cedd and St Gregory next Saturday 16th June at 5:00pm followed by a Barbeque in the grounds. All our welcome as they celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the church.

MARRIAGE GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION: 14th of June is the deadline. To help you respond, SPUC have produced a Briefing Paper copies of which are available in the porch at Priory St. Please do respond. The Government's form is here: <http://c4m.org.uk/downloads/consultation-document.pdf>

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of George Michael Fleetwood, Clelia Mellone and Jimmy Tjiepras who have recently departed. May they rest in peace. The funeral for Clelia Mellone will be on Thursday 14th June at 2pm. Michael Fleetwood's funeral to be arranged.

BINGO NIGHT: Saturday June 23rd at 7:00pm in the hall. Entrance is £5 adults, £2.50 children: playing bingo is not included in entrance fee. Tickets from Frances, Nora or Armando. Sandwiches and drinks available. For more information, please ring 01206 854 921.

BENEDICT XVI'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE: Vatican City, 31 May: Pope Benedict's general prayer intention for June is: "That believers may recognize in the Eucharist the living presence of the Risen One who accompanies them in daily life". His missionary intention is: "That Christians in Europe may rediscover their true identity and participate with greater enthusiasm in the proclamation of the Gospel".

HEALING MASS - Fr Eamonn Power will be celebrating a Healing Mass at Abbotswick House of Prayer on Wednesday 20th June 2012 at 2.30pm. All

welcome. For further details visit the events page of www.abbotswick.org or call 01277 373959

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER REQUIRED: St Clare's Primary School, Clacton. From January 2013 NOR 302 FTE (as at September 2012) Salary range: L7 - L11. Due to the promotion of our current Deputy Head, the Governing Body seeks to appoint an experienced and enthusiastic practising Catholic to support and further develop the school's vision for the future. For more details please contact Mrs Bogusia Holeszowska Tel: 01255 425344 or email kerry@st-clares.essex.sch.uk

VOCATIONS: If you are aged 18 – 30 and wanting a place to reflect, pray and chat about vocation, you are very welcome to the **Brentwood Vocations Discernment Group**. Meeting monthly, an evening together includes a meal, a talk by a Priest or Religious sharing their vocational journey, a time of quiet prayer and a chance to ask questions both in a group and one to one. The next meeting is in Brentwood **this Friday, 8th June**. For more details contact the Vocations Director, Fr Dominic Howarth, 01268 281732 or frdominic@brentwoodvocations.org.

The **Invocation Festival** takes place on 6th-8th July, in Birmingham, and is an amazing weekend of speakers, prayer, reflection and celebration for those who want to have time and space to discern God's call in their life. It is open to men and women aged 18 – 35. For more information look at www.invocation.org.uk or contact Fr Dominic, Vocations Director, 01268 281732 or frdominic@brentwoodvocations.org.

PARISH COUNCIL: The next Parish Council Meeting is on Thursday, 14th June at 7:30pm in the Crypt and a date for your diaries - **the Parish AGM is on Sunday, 8th July at 7:30pm in the Hall.**

PASTORAL MUSIC DAY: With Marty Haugen on 30th June 10am - 4pm at Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall. This day is open to Catechists, Teachers, Singers and Instrumentalists. Full details on poster.

SVP PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: on Sunday 1st July £12 per person. Please phone Judy on 07970408707 to book your place on the Coach, **which will leave East Hill at 9am.** Money payable on or before Sunday 10th June, any cheques made out to Colchester SVP. *There are still a few seats left.*

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: London to Brighton Cycle Ride for BCCS. **Sunday 16th September.** For further details or an information pack please contact Julie Abbott 01268 784544/ jabbott@bccs.org.uk or visit the website www.bccs.org.uk

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 14th June – Team 3C

**LITURGY FOR THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST [B]
June 10th 2012**

Saturday June 9th	9:15 am	Joseph and Bridget Loftus RIP
	1:00 pm	WEDDING – Sarah Henley and Mark Pamphilon
	6:15 pm	Leon Hammond RIP
Sunday June 10th	8:00 am	D/Rels: Lowe Family RIP

10:30 am	D/Rels: Allard Family RIP
1:00 pm	POLISH PROCESSION & MASS
5:00 pm	HOLY HOUR
6:30 pm	Phyllis Cora & Deirdre RIP
8:30 am	Parishioners
9:15 am	Gerry Coyle RIP
10:15 am	Joan Boyden RIP [PC]

West Mersea

Mile End

Monkwick

Monday 11th

St Barnabas

Church **7:30 am** Helen and Martin Lydon RIP

Church **9:15 am** Juan Jose Polo Carbayo RIP

Tuesday 12th

Feria

Church **9:15 am** D/Rels: Betts Family RIP

Wednesday 13th

St Anthony of Padua

Church **7:30 am** Holy Souls RIP

Church **12:15 pm** Intentions: Peter & Sheila Heslin

Thursday 14th

Feria

Church **9:15 am** Cecily Slim RIP

Church **2:00 pm** **Funeral Mass: Clelia Mellone RIP**

Friday 15th

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Church **9:15 am** Intentions: Patricia Rache [RM]

Church **6:30 pm** In reparation

Saturday 16th

The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Church **9:15 am** Intentions: Mrs Tide & Family

WEST MERSEA

5:00 pm In Thanksgiving

LITURGY FOR THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B] – June 17th 2012

Saturday June 16th

6:15 pm Liz Fathers RIP

Sunday June 17th

8:00 am Colin Walker RIP

10:30am Sr Paschal RIP

4:00 pm Polish Mass

6:30 pm Thomas Kelly RIP

8:30 am KSC Chain of Prayer

9:15 am Derrick Foley RIP

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

SCHOOLS St Thomas More

Head: Bridget Harris [865722]

St Benedict's

Head: Mrs J Santinelli [549222]

www.marriagecare.org.uk or 0800 389 3801.

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