

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [A]

Saturday February 11th	6:15 pm	Ronald Jay RIP
Sunday February 12th	8:00 am	Margaret Barker RIP
	10:30 am	Ronald Jay RIP
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
N.B. NO HOLY HOUR	6:30 pm	Derek Harvey RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Holy Souls RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Aimee Stammers RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Michael Hawken RIP
Monday 13th	Feria	
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Canon John Bloomfield RIP
Tuesday 14th	SS CYRIL, Monk & METHODIUS Bp	
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Estar Crowe RIP

Wednesday, 15th **Feria**
Church **12:15 pm** Dr Joseph Sykes – In Thanksgiving

Thursday 16th **Feria**
Church **9:15 am** Edward Michael & Catherine McLroy RIP
Mersea **11:00 am** **REQUIEM – Anthony Brookes RIP**

Friday 17th **Feria**
Church **9:15 am** **NO MASS**
Church **12:00 pm** **REQUIEM – Ronnie Hammond RIP**

Saturday 18th **Feria**
Church **9:15 am** In Thanksgiving

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Saturday February 18th	6:15 pm	Oksana Zakhleniuk RIP
Sunday February 19th	8:00 am	Ronald Jay RIP
	10:30 am	Intentions: Refugees Worldwide
	4:00 pm	Polish Mass
	6:30 pm	Parishioners
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Ronnie Hammond RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Kay Knight RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Celestine Tighe RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9:45-10:30am; 5:30-6pm
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: At least six months notice is required

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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DIOCESAN CENTENARY PRAYER

Almighty and merciful Father,
bestow your grace upon the Diocese of Brentwood
as we celebrate our Centenary Year.

We give thanks for the witness of past generations
and pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit
that we may be ever more faithful to
proclaiming the Gospel of Christ.

Bless Alan our Bishop, the Clergy, Religious
and Faithful of our Diocese,
and graciously grant plentiful vocations to the Priesthood,
the Consecrated Life and the Sacrament of Marriage.
Strengthen us in the communion of faith, hope and charity,
united in prayer with our Holy Father the Pope
and the Universal Church.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.
Saints Erconwald, Cedd and Edmund of Canterbury, pray for us.

the annual Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage. Contact Theresa Higgins 523501.

Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes

There will be no Holy Hour on Sunday, February 12th

SUNDAYS: Divine Mercy and Rosary Following 8am Mass
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION Tuesdays – Crypt 8:00pm
DAILY: Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am
FILMS FOR FAITH: Please see below

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers; Percy Abrahams, Lorraine Atkin, Pat Banks, Antoinetta Caldeira, Frank Campbell, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Olive Crawford, Vicky Culham, Margaret Doorish, Margaret Griffin, Jim Harvey, John Harvey, Jan Holden, Julie Jefferies, Pat Keene, Marie Kent, Patrick King, John Lawlor, Peter Ledgley, Nathanael Lee, Joanne Leon, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Canon Anthony McKentey, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Merryman, Byron Miller, Amadine Morgan, Margaret Norman, Charles Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Ronald Quijano, Stephen Rhatigan, Chris Sands, Maureen Sheeran, Christine Staines, Fiona Stephenson, Patricia Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Mary Wallace, Brea Ward, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White,

THANK YOU: Thank you all for your magnificent support to our Parish Funds appeal which raised in excess of £3,500. We also received two private donations and the combined sum has made a big improvement to the shortfall.

BAPTISM TODAY: We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism **Sadia Sisay**. God bless this child and congratulations to her family.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS: The funeral of Anthony Brookes takes place at St Cedd's, Mersea, on Thursday 16th February at 11am. The funeral of Ronnie Hammond is being held here on Friday, 17th February, at Midday. There will be no 9:15 Mass on this day. Committal at Colchester Crematorium at 3:30pm. Reception in the Cardinal Bourne Hall, Priory Street following the Mass. The funeral of *Margit Scammell* will take place at St Monica's, Wivenhoe, on 17th February at 11:30am.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a Diocesan Second Collection next weekend for the Lourdes Sick and Helpers Pilgrimage Fund.

FILMS FOR FAITH: Films For Faith for Wednesday, 22nd February, will be showing "12 Ordinary" Men followed by "Grace" and "St. Catherine Labouré". Total showing will be two hours. Refreshments will be provided and all are most welcome.

STEWARDS OF THE GOSPEL: One or more of our Stewards will be available in Cardinal Bourne Hall after the 10:30am Mass today, next Sunday and Sunday February 26th to talk with Parishioners.

MEXICAN MEAL: 4th March in the Cardinal Bourne Hall at 7:30 pm. Cost - £10 adult; £5 child. In aid of Bishop's Lourdes Fund. This fund helps send pilgrims to

MEETING THE "LIVING GOD" SEMINAR 2: *The three marks of Easter Faith.*
Speaker: Bishop Emeritus Thomas McMahon on Saturday 4th March, 10:30am – 12 noon at Cathedral House.

DIOCESAN CENTENARY DATES: Wednesday, 22nd March, to Thursday, 29th June: Exhibition of History of the Diocese in the Conference Hall Foyer. The exhibition will then travel to several locations including **Colchester [on the 14th/15th October]**, Chelmsford, Leigh-on-Sea, Ilford, Upton Park and Harlow.

VACANCY – DIOCESAN PROPERTY CONSULTANT: Full-time role. Please first contact property-recruitment@dioceseofbrentwood.org and request a job description and person specification. Closing date for CVs/applications is 19.00 on Tuesday 28th February 2017. Interviews take place week commencing 6th March 2017

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK: Please keep in your prayers all couples in this parish and our diocese who are preparing for marriage, those celebrating significant anniversaries and those struggling with loss or facing difficulties in their married life. Please also consider prayerfully whether you might be able volunteer for one of the organisations promoting marriage in our diocese. *Marriage Care* is looking for people who can help deliver marriage preparation programmes or train as relationship counsellors. *Explore*, which runs workshops in schools, is looking for couples who can talk to young people about marriage and answer their questions. The time commitment depends on what you can give - you could make a big difference even by giving up just one day of your annual vacation allowance. Contact marriage@dioceseofbrentwood.org to be put in touch with one of these organisations, and follow our new twitter account to find out how else you can support or live out the vocation to marriage: BrentwoodMandFL.

HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS: In honour of the Diocesan Centenary every Deanery will be hosting a Holy Hour to pray for priestly vocations throughout the year. On Wednesday, 29th March at 7:30pm we will hold the Holy Hour here at St James the Less with a vocations story from Fr Mark Swires, Parish Priest of Brightlingsea and Wivenhoe and Chaplain to the University of Essex.

VACANCIES: Volunteers are required for the Soup Run. Ideally, this would suit a couple, so if you would like further information please contact Armando or the Parish Office.

CARDINAL BOURNE HALL BOOKINGS: cb.hall@btinternet.com 07758 805263

CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA: Thursday, 16th February, Team 4. If you can spare a couple of hours every few weeks to clean our Church, please contact Helena on 01206 794636/07946 555673. The more people who sign up help to spread the load! Thank you.