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WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (A)
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My dear friends

On this Palm Sunday we begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week and follow Jesus through the events of his passion, death and resurrection.

On **Monday** we have Mass at 7:30am and 9:15am. At 7:30pm, all your priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Tuesday, Mass at 9:15am Priory St and 11:00am at Monkwick with an opportunity for confession.

Wednesday – Masses are at 7:30am, 12:15pm and 10:00am Mass at Mersea with confessions. In the evening at 7:00pm, there is the Chrism Mass at Brentwood Cathedral to which everyone is welcome: The Bishop blesses the Holy Oils to be used during the year and all the priests of the diocese renew their priestly commitment.

Maundy Thursday - there is the **Mass of the Last Supper** in the evening at 8pm. We remember the Institution of the Eucharist and re-enact the Washing of the Feet. At the end of the Mass we can watch at the Altar of Repose until Midnight, recalling Jesus' Agony in the Garden.

Good Friday – 10am Stations of the Cross at Mile End, 10:30am Children's Stations at Priory St. At 12 noon we assemble with fellow Christians at the Salvation Army Citadel, Butt Road, for our Walk of Witness to the War Memorial – where there will be a short service. 3pm is the **Celebration of the Lord's Passion** and Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.

Holy Saturday – the church waits at the Lord's Tomb and at 8pm – the **Easter Vigil** is the first Mass of the Lord's Resurrection.

Easter Sunday – all the Masses are at the usual time, as we greet with joy our Blessed Lord on his Resurrection day.

May God bless your journey through Holy Week and Easter.

Fr Tony McKentey

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: On the Monday of Holy Week; April 14th at 7:30pm – several priests will be available in church for your Easter confession.

CHRISM MASS: A minibus will be running to Brentwood Cathedral on the Wednesday 16th April, leaving Napier Road Car Park at 5:30pm. For more details contact Theresa Higgins on 523 501.

EASTER VIGIL CELEBRATION: After the Easter Vigil, the Cardinal Bourne Hall will be open for refreshments and celebration. If you can offer a plate of food please bring it along before Mass - drink will be provided! 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:		Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP:	Tuesdays at 8pm	Crypt

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Karl Collins, Emma Cooper, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Jeanette Dagwell, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, Bert Hewitt, Norah Hewitt, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Ronald Jay, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Declan Knight, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Val Ling, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Sabina Rhatigan, Douglas Rogers, Carley Saunders, Catherine Spicer, Ida Twynham, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTISED? The next Baptism course will be on Friday May 9th and 16th in the Crypt from 7:30pm. There is no need to make an appointment but both sessions must be attended. Entry into the Crypt is via the Church [This course is for new-borns up to age 6]

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Phyllis Joseph, Marco Mussi and John Bradbrook – may they rest in peace. Phyllis' Requiem Mass will be on Monday 14th April at 10:45am. Marco's Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 30th April at 11am.

SVP THANK YOU: A big thank you to all those who gave so generously to last week's second collection. £980 has been raised so far.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend 12th / 13th April (Palm Sunday) – there will be a collection for the Easter flowers for Priory St & Mile End.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Saturday 19th April – Team 6

COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY FOR THE HOLY PLACES: This Diocesan Collection after the 3pm Solemn Liturgy is an important means of support for the Christian Community in the Holy Land, particularly with the continued unrest in the Middle East.

MORNING PRAYER: During the Triduum on Thursday, Friday & Saturday 17th – 19th will be at 8:15am.

EASTER OFFERING: The Offertory Collection at all the Easter Masses is your personal gift to the Clergy. This collection, together with the Christmas one, forms the main part of the income of Fr Tony and Fr Neil. Thank you.

EASTER SUNDAY: Mass in Spanish at 4pm. We hope to have a Spanish priest staying with us for the Triduum and he has agreed to say Mass in Spanish on Easter Day. Please let all your friends know! Domingo de Pascua: Misa en español a las 4pm. Padre David, un sacerdote español, se queda con nosotros para el Triduo y se él ha comprometido a celebrar una misa en español en el día de Pascua. Por favor, pasa la palabra a tus amigos.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Divine Mercy Sunday this year coincides with the canonization of Bl. John XXIII and Bl. John Paul II on 27th April. The novena in preparation for the feast occurs from Good Friday to Saturday 26th April. To pray the novena, recite the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy daily along with the prayers corresponding to each day of the novena. The novena also carries a plenary indulgence with the usual conditions.

PRAYER PETITIONS: If you have any requests for prayer and would like us to take them to Krakow to lay before the newly-canonised John XXIII and John Paul II, please write the details on one of the prayer petition slips in the porch and put them in the box provided, or give it to one of the clergy.

PRAYER INTENTION BOOK: A prayer intention book is now available. Please feel free to enter your prayer requests. The book is located next to the confessional in the right isle.

DARE TO BE SAINTS! Concluding our series of Sunday evening reflections on Bl. John Paul II, we listen to his message to young people. 5:45 pm this evening in St. James the Less.

HOLY HOUR: This Month 4:30pm – 5:30pm.

APF: We will be welcoming Fr Frank Thompson from APF / Missio to our parish on the weekend of the 3 / 4th May. He will make an appeal for people to join the Red Box scheme, which in England and Wales, collects funds for overseas mission. Last year, this parish raised £1,375 for this important work. Have you considered having a box?

UCM COLOURING COMPETITION: Entry forms (50p) will be available from the Porch after the 10.30 Mass, completed forms need to be returned by Saturday 19th April and can be left in the box in the Porch ready for judging – prizes available for the best entries! **UCM EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE:** Raffle tickets available from Cardinal Bourne Hall after the 10.30 Mass this Sunday and next Sunday.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: 24th May. A 16 seat minibus will be leaving East Hill at 8:15am. For more details contact Theresa Higgins on 523 501.

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13th April

Saturday April 12th	6:15 pm	John Byrne RIP
Sunday April 13th	8:00 am	Brian Jackson RIP
	10:30 am	Parishioners
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	4:30 pm	HOLY HOUR
	6:30 pm	Private Intention [MW]
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Matt, Eddie & Pat Hogan RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Angela Jardim RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Parishioners
Monday 14th	MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK	
<i>Church</i>	7:30 am	Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Ints: Cundy Family
<i>Church</i>	10:45 am	REQUIEM MASS – Phyllis Joseph RIP
<i>Church</i>	7:30 pm	Confessions
Tuesday 15th	TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK	
<i>Church</i>	9:15 am	Terry Hilton RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	11:00 am	Mass & Confessions
Wednesday 16th	WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK	
<i>Church</i>	7:30 am	Mary Connaghan RIP
<i>Mersea</i>	10:00 am	Mass & Confessions - Michael & Ellen Kate Conlon RIP
<i>Church</i>	12:15 am	Margaret Rose RIP
Thursday 17th	MAUNDY THURSDAY	
<i>Church</i>	8:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper & Watching until Midnight - Francis & Emy Carter RIP
Friday 18th	GOOD FRIDAY (no Masses today)	
<i>Mile End</i>	10:00 am	Stations of the Cross
<i>Church</i>	10:30 am	Children's Stations
<i>Church</i>	3:00 pm	Liturgy of the Passion
<i>Church</i>	7:30 pm	Stations of the Cross
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (A)		
20th April		
Saturday April 19th	8:00 pm	THE EASTER VIGIL – Ints: Parishioners
Sunday April 20th	8:00 am	Charles Savage RIP
	10:30 am	Eileen Hollis RIP
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	4:00 pm	SPANISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Cecily Sim RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Herbert Plater RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Roger Thurlow RIP [MF]
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Mary Leeland RIP

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