

LITURGY FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT [A]

20th March 2011

Saturday March 19th	6:15 pm	Beryl & Noel Blanchette RIP
Sunday March 20th	8:00 am	D/Rels: Paul and Zlocki Families RIP
	10:30 am	Joseph Hawken RIP
	4:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	D/Rels: Herbert/Richards Families RIP
<i>Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Parishioners
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Breda Casey RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Peggy Wilding RIP [MD]
Monday 21st	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am Fr John Glavin RIP [Westminster]
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
	<i>Church</i>	7:00 pm Intentions of the SVP
Tuesday 22nd	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Phyllis, Deirdre & Cora RIP
Wednesday 23rd	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am Intentions of Marie Wragg
	<i>Church</i>	12:15 pm D/Rels: Brogan/Owens Families RIP
Thursday 24th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am Patrick [Paddy] Irvine RIP
STM Lenten Mass	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Bridget Lloyd RIP
Friday 25th	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Dr Roger Sykes RIP
	<i>Church</i>	6:30 pm Ken Herbert RIP
<i>East Hill</i>	SJTG	7:30 pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday 26th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Roy Ackling RIP

LITURGY FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT [A]

27th March 2011

Saturday March 26th	6:15 pm	Stephen Mooney RIP [A]
Sunday March 27th	8:00 am	P.I. Abraham RIP
	10:30am	Dr Roger Sykes RIP
	6:30 pm	Parishioners
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Anne Harper RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	In Thanksgiving [Chato Family]
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15am	Harold and Denise Smith RIP

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: John O'Hara [549222]

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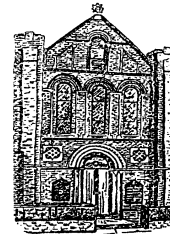
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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT [A]

March 20th 2011

My dear friends,

Always on the Second Sunday of Lent we hear the Gospel of Our Lord's Transfiguration. In contrast to the taunts of Satan [First Sunday], Jesus receives the divine affirmation; "This is my Beloved Son; Listen to Him". This Gospel event is immortalised in the central stained glass window in our parish church. It shows the transfigured Lord, and Peter, James and John gazing up at him.

The injunction of "Listen to Him" is appropriate for us as we reflect on the second part of "Praying the Mass" which centres on the Liturgy of the Word. At the Transfiguration, Peter says "Lord, it is good for us to be here". This is a helpful prayer for us every time we come to Mass or when we pray on our own.

Just to remind you of special events during Lent; *Wednesday Lunches* - after 12:15 Mass in the Crypt, soup/roll for 50p, proceeds to Childcare. *Friday* - Stations of the Cross 7:30pm – this week at St James the Great; *Saturday* - Lectio Divina 5-6pm in the Crypt to reflect on the following Sunday's readings.

May God continue to bless our Lenten journey to Easter,

Fr Tony McKentey

EVENTS THIS WEEK

See Schedule for Changes or Extra Masses

Monday 21 st March	7:00pm SVP Mass followed by District Meeting	
Wednesday 23 rd	12:45pm approx Lenten Lunch	Crypt
“	6:45-8:45 Scripture Group	Crypt
“	7:00pm SVP Meeting	
Thursday 24 th	7:30pm RCIA	
Friday 25 th	7:30pm Stations of the Cross	East Hill
Saturday 26 th	7:30pm FHC Programme	Hall
“	5-6pm Lectio Divina	Crypt

DAILY: Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am. [Wed. 11:15am]
PRAYER GROUP Mondays @ 8pm in the Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays @ 8pm in the Crypt
EXPOSITION: Saturdays @ 9.45am – 10.30am

SICK: Please remember in your prayers: May Banks, June Bickersteth, Joan Boyden, Frank Campbell, Nancy Drummond, Charlie George, Cara Maude, Bridie Murphy, Denis Nolan, Leah Patterson, Hector Silva, Ellen Woodley. Please also remember Canon Peter Walker and his wife, Caroline.

THANK YOU FROM RONNIE HAMMOND: For all the cards and presents he received on his 65th birthday; for the beautiful homemade food and all who kindly helped on the day.

“PRAYING THE MASS” LEAFLET: This resource can be found on www.rcdow.org.uk Under the heading Liturgy, then follow the links.

CAFOD LENTEN FAST DAY: A second collection will be taken up after all Masses today.

EASTER LILIES: If you would like to donate a bloom in memory of a loved one, please enclose whatever you can afford in an envelope marked “Easter Lily” and deliver to the Priests’ House.

COLLECTION FOR EASTER FLOWERS AT PRIORY STREET: will be taken up on Sunday, April 10th.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CENTRAL COLCHESTER QUIZ: Whether you’re an Egghead, a Mastermind or just looking for a fun evening out, why not join us for the Lion Walk Quiz at Lion Walk Church Hall on Sat 16th April at 7.30pm. Bring a team of up to 8 people. Smaller groups can be combined. Tickets cost £7 including a fish and chip supper (chicken or vegetarian option available). Contact Anne Tomkinson (07785 580481). Proceeds will go to the Lion Walk/Christian Aid Partnership project for Sierra Leone.

LENTEN LUNCHEAS ON WEDNESDAYS IN CRYPT: After 12:15 Mass. Homemade soup and a roll for 50p. Thank you to those who attended last week. Do join us this Wednesday. If you are not lucky enough to be retired, you could maybe fit it in during your lunch hour if working locally of course!

LECTIO DIVINA: On Saturday evenings in Lent in the Crypt 5pm – 6pm.

BRES Spring Lecture by Rev Dr Adrian Graffy on the theme of ‘The Word of God for the Church and for the World: an exploration of the Synod document on the Bible (*Verbum Domini*) on Thursday 24th March 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Conference Centre. For bookings phone: BRES 01277 265285. Copies of the document will be available.

PROJECT 2030: Are you a twentysomething? Join other adults across London in a range of spiritual and social activities. A newcomers’ meeting takes place on Saturday, March 26th at the Crown & Anchor, 137 Drummond Street, NW1. More on www.twentysomings.eu or info@twentysomings.eu. [Sponsored by the Sacred Heart Fathers.]

LENT ANNUAL SPIRITUALITY DAY: Saturday 26th March with Fr Denis Mc Bride, CSSR- ‘The Road to Jerusalem’. Cathedral Conference Centre, **Registration 10.00am for 10:30am start. Cost £10 per person.** Please bring a packed lunch. **Monday 28th March: I Call You Friends:** A new resource for children attending non-Catholic schools- 5-11 year olds. Cathedral Conference Centre, 7.30pm. This will be of particular interest to Priests and Catechists. The evening will be led by **Mgr George Stokes, Sr Victoria Hummell, Dr Bridie Stringer & Sr Nuala Gannon.** Admission is free. [A donation is welcome].

LENT TALK with Sr Helen Costigan, SHCJ- **What does it mean to forgive and to be forgiven? Tuesday 5th April Cathedral Conference Centre, 7.30pm. Cost £5 per person.** For booking all events please contact the Adult Religious Education office on 01277 265255.

COLCHESTER DEANERY YOUTH FESTIVAL: Saturday 21st May 10am-8pm at St Charles Hall, Clacton on Sea parish. A Retreat day led by the Walsingham House Team, including evening Mass with a live band at garden BBQ. Contact Theresa at theresaklp@aol.com - see poster in the porch.

DIARY DATE – INVITATION FROM GREENSTEAD PARISH: Saturday 21st May/Sunday 22nd May. Coach trip to Bruges via the Tunnel. Overnight stay at a cost of £90 p.p. inclusive of coach, tunnel toll fee and bed/breakfast. For more information or to book, please contact Jean on 865038.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE: 15th-24th NOVEMBER 2011. £967 – 9 nights/10 days. Is being organised by Clacton Parish. For more information contact Mrs B Wright 01255 851402, email: bernadettewright@sky.com Some application forms in the porch, but please liaise with Mrs Wright.

MOVING?: If you are moving, please let the parish office know. If you are newly arrived, please complete a registration form, which are in the porch. For inclusions on the parish website: admin@stjamesthelessandsthelen.org

CHURCH CLEANERS’ ROTA: Thursday, March 17th. Team 3B.

