

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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My Dear Friends

I would like to thank all those who organised and took part in the Heritage Weekend. Thank you to all those who gave talks and welcomed visitors to our church and at St John's Abbey Gatehouse. It was good to see a steady flow of visitors at both venues. We would always hope that our church has an open door for all those who wish to come for prayer and reflection. We are fortunate that we are able to leave our church open from early morning until around 5pm each weekday.

Many thanks to everyone for your generosity to the Parish Development Fund last weekend which raised over £1,000 for our parish financial needs.

The Priests of the Colchester Deanery meet at Harwich this Wednesday and so Mass will be at 9:15am that day and not 12:15pm. Fr Zbigniew Zybala is enjoying his time with us and has gained enough proficiency to celebrate Mass in English, but not enough yet to preach a homily. We are full of admiration.

God bless you all.

Fr Tony McKentey

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	8pm
Crypt			
MEDITATION GROUP:	Tuesdays	at	8pm
Crypt			

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK (new entries in bold type): Please remember in your prayers, Anne Barry, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Ian Cole, Stanley Crane, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Alphonse Knapp, Declan Knight, Mirella Leonardi, Val Ling, Maria Mahy, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Paula Nash, **Joan Norman**, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Sabina Rhatigan, Carley Saunders, The Sharfraie Family, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next week there will be a talk and appeal by the Good Counsel Network www.goodcounselnetwork.com

THE GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK: National Day of Prayer and Fasting - for the end of Abortion and Euthanasia. Saturday 28th September. Please remember to pray and to fast in any way possible. This could be fasting on bread and water or it could be fasting from a particular thing i.e. alcohol, cigarettes, TV.

MERSEA NEWS: Many thanks to Bernadette Ebling for hosting our September coffee morning. Just one more date for your diaries before our Christmas Fayre; Tuesday October 8th hosted by Margaret Brookes at 71, Queen Anne Road, West Mersea. The Christmas Fayre date is November 23rd at the Church. Looking forward to seeing you at both.

MONKWICK NEWS: Coffee Morning – Thank you to all those who joined us on Saturday last. Our next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday, 28th September from 10am to 12 noon at 26 Queensland Drive and our host is Joyce Wrobel. All welcome.

UCM CAKE SALE: The UCM will be having a cake sale after 10:30am Mass this Sunday in the CBH. This is a regular occurrence on the 4th Sunday of the month.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: Thank you to all those who have made donations so far, we now have sufficient funds to purchase a statue.

AUTUMN BOOK FAYRE: Saturday 19th October from 10am-4pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. Refreshments available. Donations of books urgently requested; Please leave at the presbytery. Volunteers also needed to set-up and man the stalls; names to John Sutcliffe T: 851838. Proceeds to parish funds.

ST BENEDICT'S FORMS: Fr Tony will be available to sign your application forms for St Benedict's College on Thursday 10th October and Friday 11th

October from 4pm – 6pm. Please make contact through the church office to book your appointment time. Don't forget to bring a completed form with you ready for Fr Tony to sign.

THE NIGERIAN PARISH COMMUNITY: will be hosting a reception in the Crypt after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 29th September to commemorate Nigeria's independence anniversary and to remember the country and her citizens. All are welcome.

HISTORY OF OUR STAINED GLASS WINDOWS: by parishioner Valerie Quinlivan. An excellent guide to our stained glass windows at Priory St. Available from the back of church. Priced £2.00.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE: Youth Gather on 12-13th October is a weekend event based at Essex Outdoors activity centre in Danbury for those in year 10-13 (age 16-18). You will have an opportunity to try your hand at high ropes, adventure courses, team building and more as well as challenging discussions, workshops and games run by our Walsingham House Team and Youth Chaplain, Fr James Mackay. All designed to help you explore the theme 'Putting on Christ, through the eyes of the Saints'. The cost of the weekend is £65. We can also provide transport from Stratford or Colchester for an additional £10. Forms are available from www.bcys.net or email roisin@bcys.net. Cabin space is limited so get your forms in quick.

AUTUMN SERIES ON VATICAN II: The Legacy. Continuing this popular series of talks for the Year of Faith, the Autumn series begins on Thursday 26th September when Mgr David Manson, Vicar General and liturgist will consider the development of Liturgy after Vatican II. There are no admission charges. Booking not required, just come for a 7.30pm start at the Cathedral House Conference Room. For more information, contact CEF at CEF@dioceseofbrentwood.org or on 01277 265 289.

FRIENDS OF PERU: Present a Peruvian Cuisine Evening on Saturday 28th September in the Cardinal Bourne Hall from 7:00pm – 10:30pm; three course meal with veg option – cooked by Peruvian ladies. £12. Music, bar, raffle and Peruvian crafts on sale. Proceeds to Sisters of Mercy in Peru. For tickets contact Linda T:769 429 or Nora T: 503410. Advance tickets only – no tickets on door.

JOURNEY IN FAITH WITH RCIA: if you have been thinking of becoming a Catholic or just want to find out more about the Catholic Faith then come along to the Crypt on October 1st at 7.30pm for the start of the next programme.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 26th September – Team 4.

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[The Harvest]

Saturday September 21st	6:15 pm	Baby Sunga & Noli Enriquez RIP
Sunday September 22nd	8:00 am	Thomas & Gladys Lane RIP
	10:30 am	Sylvia Osemwota RIP
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Jim Murphy RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Joan Cooney RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Geremio Cestari

Monkwick **10:15 am** Parishioners

Monday 23rd **St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Pr**
Church **7:30 am** Ints: Mary Roddy
Church **9:15 am** Sarah Betts RIP

Tuesday 24th **Our Lady of Walsingham**
Church **9:15 am** In Thanksgiving [T&ND]

Wednesday 25th **Feria**
Church **7:30 am** Padriag McAloon RIP
Church **9:15 am** Peter O'Neill RIP

Thursday 26th **Feria**
Church **9:15 am** Ints: Margaret & Mark

Friday 27th **St Vincent de Paul, Pr**
Church **9:15 am** Holy Souls RIP [F&JG]
Church **6:30 pm** Margaret McCormick RIP

Saturday 28th **ST MATTHEW, Ap, Evangelist - Feast**
Church **9:15 am** Richard Cox RIP [PG]

TWENTY - SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C] – 29th September 2013

Saturday September 28th **6:15 pm** Ron Wheeler RIP [TW]

Sunday September 29th **8:00 am** Ron Wheeler RIP [LS]
10:30 am Ints: Nigerian People

2:00 pm POLISH MASS

6:30 pm Ints: Baby Charlie Enright & Family

West Mersea **8:30 am** Parishioners

Mile End **9:15 am** In Thanksgiving [AK]

Monkwick **10:15 am** Ints: Olive [MD]

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*

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