

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

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WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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My Dear Friends

Today we celebrate the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, which has long been observed as a Holyday of Obligation in our country. We will remember from the letter to the Galatians that we heard recently on Sunday, how St Paul after his conversion, spent three years in preparation in Arabia and then went to Jerusalem and spent fifteen days with Saint Peter. We would love to know what they spoke about, no doubt St Peter sharing all his personal experiences and St Paul describing his vocation to bring the Gospel to the Gentiles.

They had animated discussions at the Council of Jerusalem, the first council of the church, when it was decided that converts from other nations did not need to observe Jewish customs. In the preface of today's Mass we hear the words: "Each in a different way gathered together the one family of Christ; and revered together throughout the world, they share one Martyr's crown."

You are very welcome to come to our parish Annual General Meeting this evening at 7:30pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall, when among other things, the Parish Council is elected and the annual financial statement is presented.

May God bless you all.

Fr Tony McKentey

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Saturday 6th

Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes

2 - 6pm Couples for Christ

Crypt

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 (see newsletter)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Anne Barry, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Ian Cole, Richard Cox, Stanley Crane, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Gianni Emoli, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Minimol Joseph, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Declan Knight, Mirella Leonardi, Val Ling, Maria Mahy, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Paula Nash, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Sabina Rhatigan, The Sharfraie Family, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Ron Wheeler, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND: Sebastian Benerayan, Nathan Butler, Tyler Hales, Catriona McMahon, Gerard Mensah. God bless these children and congratulations to their families.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET YOUR CHILD BAPTISED? The next Baptism course will be Friday 6th and 13th September in the Crypt from 7:30pm – 9pm. There is no need to make an appointment but both sessions must be attended. Entry to 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 Elizabeth (Jo) Rogers, Denis O'Neill, Dorothy Cave and Sylvia Griffiths. May they rest in peace. Jo's Requiem Mass will be this coming Thursday 4th July at 10am Priory St with reception into church the evening before at 4:30pm. Denis O'Neill's Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 16th July at 11am with reception into church the evening before at 4:30pm. Dorothy Cave's Funeral Service will be on Friday 19th July at 11am.

SECOND COLLECTIONS: There will be a second collection next weekend the 7th July for the work of CAFOD. On the 14th July there will be a collection for the work of the Apostleship of the Sea.

MONKWICK NEWS: Thank you to all who supported Mike's successful coffee morning. Our next morning will be hosted by Christine Brown on Saturday 6th July at 3 Adelaide Drive, Colchester, CO2 8UB from 10am – 12 midday. Look forward to seeing you there.

MEDITATION GROUP: This Tuesday 2nd July will be at 7:30pm at 12 Honywood Road.

WELCOMERS: There will be a short presentation this weekend after Mass on the Ministry of Welcome in our parish. New volunteers are needed for this very pleasant task. Please contact Paul Horwood for further information. His details are on the notice board or contact him at paulhorwood@hotmail.com

PARISH AGM: This Sunday 30th June at 7:30pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall.

SVP – PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Sunday 7th July. The pick up point has changed to OPPOSITE the PORSCHE GARAGE on the IPSWICH ROAD, leaving at 9 a.m. Plenty of free parking. £12 per person. Any outstanding monies, please return to the presbytery ASAP; the deadline was last weekend.

PRAYER GROUP: We are celebrating the 20th anniversary of the prayer group at St. James the less and St. Helen. We will begin our celebration with Mass at 10.30am on 14th July followed by tea in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. This will be a great opportunity to make new friends and renew old acquaintances.

DOWNTON ABBEY FANS: The SVP trip to Highclere Castle on Sunday 18th August will pick up on East Hill at 9am. There are 5 remaining spaces, cost £42, if anyone is interested. To book please phone 07970 408 707. Would those already booked please pay the balance of £32 by 29th July.

CONFIRMATION COURSE: 2013/4: In order to get confirmed at Pentecost 2014 you have to complete the Parish course of instruction and be aged 14 years old on the day of the confirmation service. If you wish to be confirmed at Pentecost and are in Year 9 at school and under the age of 18 then please leave your name and contact details (inc email) with either Andrew and Elspeth Johnson at the 10:30 mass on Sundays or with the priest at the mass you attend or ring the parish office. For the course to run we need to know numbers by the end of the school summer term. Alongside the course there will be a parents course.

Tel 01206 618846 or email Andrew.johnson13@talktalk.net.

ROME PILGRIMAGE REUNION: Will be at 5pm **this Sunday 30th June** in the Crypt.

THE BRADWELL PILGRIMAGE: Saturday 6th July 11am to 3.00pm. Theme is “Faith Alive” and the speaker will be Bishop Thomas McMahon. Lots of activities with the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service providing activities for children and the youth. Lovely day out in the countryside; bring a picnic. More details online at www.bradwellpilgrimage.webs.com

CANONESSES: GRAPHICS WORKSHOPS & EXHIBITION: Continuing their 370th anniversary celebrations, the Canonesses are holding a workshop & exhibition of graphics - past, present & future. Try your hand at painting, sculpture, photography, crafts, printing and graphics – or just come and have a look! This Sunday 30th June at the New Hall School, Chelmsford. CM3 3HS. T: 867926 or www.canonesses.co.uk/370th-bookings/

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA STRAWBERRY TEAS: Cardinal Bourne Hall on the 27th July from 3 - 6 pm with Mass at 6.15pm. Elderly Parishioners are invited for £2 pp. Families are welcome at a small extra fee. There will be a Raffle (prizes are always welcome).

VOLUNTARY SERVICE OVERSEAS: One of our parishioners, Dr Matthew Thalanany, has been selected to join VSO. His first assignment is to be in Ethiopia. Matthew leaves in September. He requests your generous donations to VSO's work in the world's poorest nations. Amongst a variety of fundraising events is a fun-filled fund-raising evening Saturday 20th July at the Highwoods Community Centre, Highwoods, CO4 9SR (Tickets £5 per head). His VSO Just Giving website gives more detailed information: <http://www.justgiving.com/MATTHEW-THALANANY-IN-ETHIOPIA> - in fact you can donate safely and directly through the website; taxpayers please tick the Gift Aid button.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 4th July – Team 4

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30th June 2013

Saturday June 29th	6:15 pm	D/Rels: Herbert & Richards Families
Sunday June 30th	8:00 am	Joseph & Bridget Loftus RIP
	10:30 am	D/Rels: Sykes Family
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Ints: Annaurelia & Family
	8:30 am	Ints: John Kelly
	9:15 am	Jean Hore RIP
	10:15 am	Parishioners
<i>West Mersea</i>		
<i>Mile End</i>		
<i>Monkwick</i>		
Monday 1st	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am Helen & Martin Lydon RIP
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Colin Walker RIP
Tuesday 2nd	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Margaret Wilson RIP
Wednesday 3rd	ST THOMAS, Apostle - Feast	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am Holy Souls RIP
	<i>Church</i>	12:15 pm Hector Silva RIP
Thursday 4th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Angelo Ciarleglio RIP
	<i>Church</i>	10:00 am REQUIEM MASS: Elizabeth Rogers
Friday 5th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Bridie Murphy RIP
Saturday 6th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Philip Stableen RIP

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C] – Sea Sunday

7th July 2013

Saturday July 6th	1:00pm	WEDDING: Carolyn Ellis & Michael Freeman
	6:15 pm	Christopher Cooke RIP
	8:00 am	Ints: Cynthia Bambrick
	10:30 am	Ints: Val Ling
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Mary & Patrick English RIP
	8:30 am	Parishioners
	9:15 am	Barbara & Charles Rogan RIP
	10:15 am	Holy Souls RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>		
<i>Mile End</i>		
<i>Monkwick</i>		

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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