

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

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YEAR OF FAITH 2012
2013

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B]

September 30th 2012

Quartely Financial Report

From Adrian Livesley, Chairman of the Parish Finance Committee is available with the newsletter.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

This Friday 5th October. It's shocking to think that nearly a billion people will go to bed hungry tonight. For the first few years of his life, 9-year-old Gift from Zambia often had nothing to eat but pumpkin leaves, day after day. But then CAFOD gave Gift's family the tools, seeds and training they needed to set up a vegetable garden – and today they are flourishing. To help many more families like Gift's, please give what you can on Fast Day. Envelopes are available in church this week and there will be a second collection at all Masses next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

Year of Faith

We now have the Year of Faith logo on our newsletter. It runs from October 11th this year until 24th November 2013 – the feast of Christ the King. It will recall the 50th Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council and the 20th anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. There will be a Diocesan Mass in Brentwood Cathedral, 7:30pm on Thursday 11th October, to which you are all invited. Our first special event of the Year is a course called Catholicism that begins on Friday evening 12th October at

7:30pm. The course is based on the DVD presentation prepared by Fr Robert Barron. More information inside.

SUNDAYS:	Divine Mercy followed by Rosary	3pm
DAILY:	Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:35am
PRAYER GROUP:	Mondays at 8pm	Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP:	Tuesdays at 8pm	Crypt

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 3rd	6:45pm Scripture Course	Crypt
	7:00pm SVP Meeting	
Thursday 4th	RCIA Course	Crypt

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, June Bickersteth, Desmond Byrne, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Gwen Cole, Ian Cole, Stanley Crane, Nancy Drummond, Gianni Emery, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Maurice Highfield, Maria Mahy, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Paula Nash, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Sabina Rhatigan, Maria Soutar, Catherine Spicer, Jacqueline Sykes, Filomena Velasquez, Tony White.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Audrey Davis, Kathleen Johnson, Maisie Radford, Bishop Michael Rowland and Hector Silva. Kathleen Johnson's Funeral will be this Friday 5th October at 2:30pm Priory St, followed by a service at Colchester Crematorium at 3:30pm. Audrey's Funeral will be Wednesday 10th October at 11:30am at St Cedd and St Gregory, Mersea. Maisie's Funeral will be this Friday 5th October at 12:30pm Priory St, followed by a 2pm burial at Colchester Cemetery. Hector Silva's Funeral will be this Thursday 4th October at 9:15am followed by a service at Colchester Crematorium.

FAREWELL AND THANKS: Fr Piotr Cebula has returned to Krakow to continue his doctorate studies.

AUTUMN FAIR: Saturday 6th October from 10am – 2pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. Entrance Free. Various quality stalls with some vintage items. Raffle, refreshments on sale. Proceeds to church funds and Friends of Peru charity. Donations appreciated of vintage clothing e.g. evening dresses, 60's, 70's or nearly new. Crockery, linen and hats. Contact Francis 369568 or Nora 503410

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND: Bobby Mayor and Dominic Uzuoku. God bless these children and congratulations to their families.

MASS FOR NIGERIA: The 10:30am Mass this Sunday 30th will be for the intentions of the people of Nigeria on the anniversary of Nigeria's independence and for good leadership, peace and reconciliation. A reception will be held afterwards in the Crypt. All our welcome.

DOMENICA 7 OTTOBRE: alle ore 1400 si celebrerà la Santa Messa in Italiano per Paul Saunders. **Sunday October 7th** at 2:00pm, Holy Mass will be celebrated in Italian for the intention of Paul Saunders.

SCRIPTURE COURSE: The course will resume this Wednesday 3rd October in the Crypt.

RCIA COURSE: Continues this Thursday 4th October

YEAR OF FAITH: The 13th Day is a film which has had rave reviews from the fans of

Fatima. We will show it at 7:30 on Saturday 13th of October in the crypt on the new "big" screen. Bring your friends.

CATHOLICISM: a 12 week series of adult formation in the Faith. Fr Robert Barron presents a stunning DVD-based Catechism on Friday nights starting from **Friday 12th October at 7.30pm** in the Crypt. If you are seeking to know more about what we believe or want to refresh your faith, why not come along? Each session will last less than 1½ hours, with a chance to reflect on what we see and hear. Bring a friend. Leaflets with the full schedule of dates are available in the porch.

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE: are advertising for a head of maths and a teacher of modern foreign languages. Please see their website for further details: www.stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk

ST BENEDICT'S FORMS: Fr Tony will be available to sign your application forms for St Benedict's College this Thursday 4th October and Friday 5th October from 3:30pm – 6:30pm. Please make contact through the church office to book your appointment time. Please bring completed forms with you – ready to sign.

CLEANER REQUIRED - ST THOMAS MORE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: 2 hours per day - Monday – Friday 3.30-5.30. Term time only. £6.30 per hour. Please contact the school for more details on 01206 865722.

FRIENDS OF ST JAMES THE LESS: will be hosting a talk on the history of St John's Abbey on the 6th of October in the Cardinal Bourne Hall at 7.30pm given by Philip Wise, Heritage Manager of Colchester and Ipswich Museum Service.

KNIGHTS COUNTRY WIDE QUIZ: Colchester Knights came second in the Country wide Quiz held in Walsall. Ron Griffin, Michael Irvine, Joe Mellone and George Johnson were the successful team. Congratulations to them.

NOVENA MAGAZINE: A full colour, glossy A4 magazine featuring stunning artwork and photography of international shrines, places of pilgrimage, Marian devotions etc. An excellent keepsake or gift. Available from Priory St – excellent value at £3.50

RIGHT TO LIFE SPONSORED WALK: Pledges should be redeemed by placing a sealed envelope clearly marked "Right to Life Sponsored Walk" and with your name, either through the door at the presbytery or in the mass centre cases. Many thanks.

ECUMENICAL STUDY DAYS FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH: Rediscovering Vatican II. The next study day will be Saturday October 13th. Prof. Paul Murray will be considering the theme of "The Ecumenical Vision of Vatican II". The day runs from 10:30 – 3:00pm at Brentwood Cathedral Hall, Ingrave Road, Brentwood. CM15 8AT. Admission is free and lunch is provided.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CENTRAL COLCHESTER: For many years CTCC has represented most of the Christian churches in central Colchester. It has organized Lenten and Easter activities in the town and has been a forum for lay people to discuss matters of common Christian concern. There will be an open meeting on Monday 8th October in St James School, Guilford Rd, Colchester at 7:30pm for 7:45pm to discuss the future of CTCC. If you would like to attend, please phone 01206 765 417. Light refreshments will be provided.

BINGO NIGHT: Saturday 20th October in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. 7:00pm for 7:30 start. Tea and Coffee will be free.

PRIORY ST THEATRE GROUP: are holding auditions for their annual pantomime on Wednesday 3rd October in the Cardinal Bourne Hall at 7.30. New members either on or off stage welcome. Minimum age 15. For more information contact Lesley 01206

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ALTAR SERVERS: Next Sunday 7th October 10:30am Mass – Team B.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B] – 30th September 2012

Saturday September 29ⁿ 6:15 pm Ints: Valerie Thurston & Family
Sunday September 30th 8:00 am Peter McAteer RIP
10:30 am Ints: People of Nigeria
6:30 pm Sam Wood RIP
8:30 am Private Intention
9:15 am Parishioners
10:15 am Joseph Hawken RIP
West Mersea
Mile End
Monkwick
Monday 1st **St Teresa of the Child Jesus (Lisieux), Rel, D**
Church 7:30 am Holy Souls
Church 9:15 am Ints: Ria & Family
The Holy Guardian Angels
Church 9:15 am D/Rels: Herbert & Richards Families
Feria
Church 12:15 pm Ints: Delaney Family
Thursday 4th **St Francis of Assisi, Rel**
Church 9:15 am **REQUIEM MASS – Hector Silva RIP**
Friday 5th **Feria**
Church 9:15 am Ints: Maureen McElroy
12:30 pm **REQUIEM MASS – Mary Radford RIP**
2:30 pm **FUNERAL SERVICE–Kay Johnson RIP**
Church 6:30 pm Holy Souls [AC]
Saturday 6th **Feria**
Church 9:15 am Mr & Mrs Minator RIP

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B] – 7th October 2012

Saturday October 6th 6:15 pm Joseph Von Wrede RIP
Sunday October 7th 8:00 am Gisela Maria Waschle RIP
10:30 am Private Intention
2:00 pm **ITALIAN MASS**
6:30 pm Hector Silva RIP
8:30 am D/Rels: Rafferty Family
9:15 am Parishioners
10:15 am Mary Prior RIP
West Mersea
Mile End
Monkwick

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: Mrs J Santinelli [549222]

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