

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

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WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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My Dear Friends

Thanks to all those who attended the Parish Annual General Meeting last Sunday evening. A new Parish Council was elected for a term of three years. Their role is to advise and support the parish priest in his care of the parish. Their names are: Jerome Ateba, Anne Curran, Mary Davies, Hywel Edwards, Frances Galvin, Helena Gibson, Paul Horwood, Elspeth Johnson, George Johnson, Olive Newland, Irena Ostrowska-Ploskonka.

Many thanks to those who volunteered for this task and our first meeting will be Thursday 5th September at 7:30pm, Priory St in the Crypt. Please speak to a Parish Council member if you have any issues you wish to be aired. Parishioners and representatives of any group are welcome to come along with anything they wish to discuss, provided we are notified beforehand.

At the AGM, Dr Matthew Thalanany spoke to us about his planned Voluntary Service Overseas in Ethiopia beginning in September for a six month period. 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 evening on 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.

May God bless you all.

Fr Tony McKentey

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes

Wednesday 10th 7pm SVP

Crypt

Saturday 13th 2 – 6 pm Couples for Christ

Crypt

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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: 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: **Finley Bellinger, Verity French.** 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 , Denis O'Neill, Dorothy Cave and Sylvia Griffiths. May they rest in peace. Denis O'Neill's Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 16th July at 11am with reception into church the evening before at 4:30pm. Sylvia Griffith's Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 18th July at 1:30pm. Dorothy Cave's Funeral Service will be on Friday 19th July at 11am.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Carolyn and Michael Freeman who were married at

Priory St on Saturday.

MASS THIS TUESDAY: 9th July will be at the slightly later time of 9:30am.

KSC MASS: There will be a Mass this Tuesday evening 9th July at 7:30pm for the Deceased Members of The Knights of St Columba and their families. Everyone is welcome.

SECOND COLLECTIONS: There will be a second collection this weekend 6th / 7th July for the work of CAFOD. On the 14th July there will be a brief talk and a collection for the work of the Apostleship of the Sea.

SVP – PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: This 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.

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.

PARISH FAMILY BARBEQUE: Saturday August 17th. Details to follow

50p - £5 SALE: Saturday July 27th from 10am – 2pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. Tea & Coffee and light refreshments available. Proceeds to Dr Thalanany's fund-raising for VSO.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA STRAWBERRY TEAS: Cardinal Bourne Hall on the 27th July from 3 - 6 pm with Mass at 6.15pm. There will also be a Raffle (prizes are always welcome).

MAGNIFICAT: August issue now available - priced £4

CATHOLIC SINGLES: is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website www.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 11th July – Team 5

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C]
7th July 2013**

Saturday July 6th	6:15 pm	Christopher Cooke RIP
Sunday July 7th	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>		
Monday 8th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Eileen & Frederick Fordham RIP
Tuesday 9th	Feria	
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	<i>Church</i>	9:30 am Charles Beeston RIP
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 pm KSC MASS
Wednesday 10th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	12:15 pm Mel Burgoyne RIP
Thursday 11th		ST BENEDICT, Ab, Patron of Europe – European Feast
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Phyllis, Cora & Dierdre RIP
Friday 12th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Holy Souls RIP [F&J]
Saturday 13th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am Ints: Carmel & Allen Ovendon

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C]
14th July 2013**

Saturday July 13th	6:15 pm	Ints: Mrs Pat Brown
Sunday July 14th	8:00 am	John McGinley RIP
	10:30 am	Ints: The Prayer Group
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	5:00 pm	HOLY HOUR
	6:30 pm	May Malone RIP
	8:30 am	Mary Wood RIP
	9:15 am	Jean Hore RIP
	10:15 am	Parishioners
<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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