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PENTECOST SUNDAY (A) – 8th June

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My dear friends

Welcome on this Pentecost Sunday, the birthday of the Church, when we celebrate and re-live the moment that the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles to empower them to begin the work of proclaiming the Gospel and celebrating the Sacraments.

On this day, the Bishop gives permission for parish clergy to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation is our personal Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came to us to be our helper and guide for all time.

At the 10:30 Mass, the following people will be confirmed; Lorena Allen-Mena, Samara Allen-Mena, Alyssa Clarin, Angelica Garcia, Millie Jackson, Gillian Magsino, Kriselle Magsino, Justina Meistaite, , Romas Noreika, Joanna Nowak-Garcias, Christian Pinto, Rosaria Porter, Florence Radones, Patricia Salcedo, James Thompson, Anna-Maria Zepeda.

At the 6:30pm Evening Mass; Andrew Nock and Kerry Plowright will be confirmed.

We pray for all those receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation throughout the diocese today and may all of us receive a fresh outpouring of the Spirit upon us.

May 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 7:45pm	Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP:	Tuesdays at 8pm	Crypt

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK (new entries are in bold type): Please remember in your prayers; Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, Emma Cooper, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Jeanette Dagwell, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, **Bill Graves**, Bert Hewitt, Norah Hewitt, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Ronald Jay, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Declan Knight, Irma Knowles, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Marie Lyons, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, June Mayhew, Colleen Mercas, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Sabina Rhatigan, Douglas Rogers, Carley Saunders, Catherine Spicer, Valerie Thurston, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Mary Warren and Ida Twynham. Margaret's Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 18th June at 1:45pm Priory St. Please also remember Fr John Timmins – Parish priest of Great Barfield; Funeral yet to be arranged.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND: This Sunday we welcome into the church through the Sacrament of Baptism; Liam Anderson, Erin Kelly and Elizabeth Turner. God bless these children and congratulations to their families.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTISED? The next Baptism course will be Friday September 29th and Friday October 3rd 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]

FR AFONSO: Fr Afonso will be leaving us soon. He needed to be in Colchester at the beginning of his doctoral studies at Essex University. He will now live and work from his Jesuit community in Wimbledon. We are grateful for all his help both pastoral and culinary. His last Sunday Mass will be next Sunday June 15th 6:30pm. There will be an opportunity for a drink and a chat in the crypt afterwards. Fr Tony.

PARISH INCOME: We need to raise £1,560 each week from the collection bags. During the month of May, the money received each week on average was £1,684. We are grateful for all that you give, please continue to do so generously as costs are rising, not going down. Thank you.

JOHN PAUL IN PERSON: Sunday 15th June 5:15pm in the Crypt. The human side of Karol Wojtyla revealed in stories and anecdotes from his life. Illustrated with videos and photographs, including some rare footage of the man. With the opportunity to meet and hear the memories of Marta from the Polish community who knew and worked with the future saint in Krakow in the 1970s. Sample kremowka, the cream cakes made famous by the pope himself!

FATIMA DEVOTIONS: Friday 13th June. We will have a joint procession after the

6:30 Mass following the pattern of the Polish-English procession last month. Vespers will be at 6pm as usual.

MISSO NEWSLETTER: Boxholders please collect your copy from the church porch. Non boxholders are also welcome to take a copy. It is better they are read rather than just left in the porch!

PARISH AGM: Will be Sunday 29th June at 7:30pm Cardinal Bourne Hall. Any items that you wish to discuss should be submitted to Fr Tony before the meeting.

SVP WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: 6th July. Coach departs from Ipswich Road Colchester at 8:30am and from East Hill at 8:45am. *PLEASE BE PROMPT.* Tickets £12. Limited availability, so if you have not already confirmed your place, please call 01206 841236 as soon as possible. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS: In the porch at Priory St. you will find a selection of good Catholic material for children, including a basket of items at 50p. Available for the next two weeks.

100 CLUB – MAY DRAW: And the winners are: Lindsay Nayler [1st]; Marie Kelly [2nd], Angela Ike [3rd]. Congratulations to you all. **NOT A MEMBER YET?** Why not join, with the chance of winning monthly cash prizes? Cost: only £8 for the rest of 2014. For details, please call John Sales on 01206 795623 or 07854 430957. E mail john.sales1@ntlworld.com

NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST AT THE GATEHOUSE: On the 21st June from 11.00am - 2.00pm the Catholic Heritage Group will once again be at the St John's Abbey Gatehouse to celebrate the feast of St John the Baptist the Patron Saint of the Abbey. Traditionally there was a Fair to celebrate the day, so we will have a stall with Walsingham Cake, prints and histories with possibly a prayer or two and will be happy to show you the new finds discovered recently. We may be joined by the Town Watch but no promises as yet. Please join us if you can.

MERSEA NEWS: Our June coffee morning will be at the home of Margaret Williams, 28 Coast Road, on Tuesday, 10th June, starting at 10:30am. Hope to see you all there.

UCM FAMILY PICNIC: On Sunday 15th June from 12:30pm. Meet at Castle Bailey, Upper Castle Park. All parishioners are welcome.

FILIPINO FAMILY EVENING 21st June in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. From 7:30 – 10:30pm. Filipino buffet with veg options. Tickets £8, children 5 to 12 yrs £4, under 5 is free. Tickets available now – please ring Armando / Amy 854 921. All proceeds to church funds.

BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION LUNCH: Many thanks to all those who supported this event on Sunday 25th May and to all those who helped and those who came to eat. Special thanks to Armando and Amy. £440 was raised.

DIARY DATE FOR 2015: In the Footsteps of Jesus: The first Full Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land takes place from the **1st to 9th July 2015.** Visit the sites in Jerusalem and Galilee, as well as visits to Christian Communities to see and hear about what is really happening in their lives. Detailed itinerary to follow soon. Cost £1595. It looks to be a wonderful and exciting pilgrimage. Please contact Fr Paul Fox at St Mary's, Hornchurch, on 01708 447761 or email hornchurchstmmg@dioceseofbrentwood.org

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday June 12th – Teams 2 / 4.

PENTECOST SUNDAY [A] – JUNE 8th

Saturday June 7th	6:15 pm	Roger Thurlow RIP [R&AK]
Sunday June 8th	8:00 am	Dudley Southon RIP
	10:30 am	Leon Hammond RIP
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	5:00 pm	HOLY HOUR
	6:30 pm	Lancelot Milford RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Parishioners
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Bridget & Michael Brady RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Molly Hefford RIP

Monday 9th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i> 7:30 am	George Brown RIP
	<i>Church</i> 9:15 am	Holy Souls RIP
Tuesday 10th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i> 9:15 am	Roger Thurlow RIP [SVP]
Wednesday 11th	St Barnabas, Ap	
	<i>Church</i> 7:30 am	Canon John Bloomfield RIP
	<i>Church</i> 12:15 pm	Mary McGinley RIP
Thursday 12th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i> 9:15 am	D/Rels: Betts Family
Friday 13th	St Anthony of Padua, Pr, D	
	<i>Church</i> 9:15 am	Julia McDhey RIP
	<i>Church</i> 6:30 pm	Rachael Fitzgerald RIP
Saturday 14th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i> 9:15 am	Patricia Roche

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY [A] – JUNE 15th

Saturday June 14th	6:15 pm	Roger Thurlow RIP
Sunday June 15th	8:00 am	D/Rels: Lowe family
	10:30 am	Ints: Sykes family
	4:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Phyllis, Cora, Deirdre & Anne RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Trevor Lines RIP [D&JH]
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Derrick Foley RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Parishioners

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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