

# ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [A]

Saturday July 8 <sup>th</sup>	6:15 pm	Noreen Downes RIP
Sunday July 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	Holy Souls RIP
	10:30 am	Michael Banks RIP [SF]
<b>NO HOLY HOUR</b>	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	6:30 pm	Parishioners
West Mersea	8:30 am	Holy Souls RIP
Mile End	9:15 am	Howard Ashcroft RIP
Monkwick	10:15 am	Bert Hewitt RIP
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>	
Church	9:30 am	Antonetta Caldeira RIP
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>ST BENEDICT, Ab</b>	<b>European Feast</b>
Church	9:30 am	Jadwiga Pauk RIP
Church	12:30 pm	<b>REQUIEM – Antonetta Caldeira RIP</b>
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>	
Church	12:15 pm	Derek Harvey RIP
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>	
Church	9:30 am	Canon John Bloomfield RIP
Church	7:30 pm	Fatima Procession/Mass–Polish/English
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>	
Church	9:30 am	Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
Church	2:30 pm	<b>WEDDING – Agnes and Catalin</b>
<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Bonaventure, Bp, D</b>	
Church	9:30 am	Holy Souls RIP

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [A]

Saturday July 15 <sup>th</sup>	6:15 pm	John McGinley RIP
Sunday July 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	Brigid Lowe RIP
	10:30 am	Michael Banks RIP [JF]
	4:00 pm	Polish Mass
	6:30 pm	Joan Draffen RIP
West Mersea	8:30 am	Parishioners
Mile End	9:15 am	Holy Souls RIP
Monkwick	10:15 am	Ints: Mary Davies [MH]

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In this Gospel episode, Jesus praises the Father for revealing to the childlike the things that have been hidden from the wise and the learned. “Childlike” refers to the disciples, who were always listening to Jesus and taking his teachings to heart.

The disciples, we know, were not people who had a very good educational background. They came from humble origins, some were fishermen, carpenters, tax collectors etc.; the jobs of average people so to say, yet here we see how they patiently humbled themselves just to learn and understand what Jesus taught them day by day. That is why at times they failed to understand some of the teachings of their teacher.

Since they became close to Jesus, they followed him closely and from Jesus himself they came to know who the Father was. It is from this real experience as well that they came to know the heavenly things describe by the Son to them. As a matter of fact, Jesus did not keep any secrets; though they may not understand everything, he told them just the same.

The reason of Jesus was to actually bring us salvation. That even if he is gone already, this mission must go on. The apostles have been named to assist Jesus; so are we. By virtue of our baptism we are apostles also. We have the responsibility therefore to continue the mission of evangelization. Let us continue to bring Jesus to others without hesitation. Come let us follow him with courage and perseverance. Amen.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9:45-10:30am; 5:30-6pm**  
**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: At least six months notice is required**

**Please see Mass Schedule for ALL changes**

**NO HOLY HOUR TODAY**

SUNDAYS: Divine Mercy and Rosary Following 8am Mass  
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION Tuesdays – Crypt 8:00pm  
DAILY: Morning Prayer 8:30am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:50am  
FILMS FOR FAITH: Please see below

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please remember in your prayers; Percy Abrahams, John Ashdown-Hill, Pat Banks, Frank Campbell, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Vicky Culham, Cosette Devaux, John Disley, Margaret Doorish, Margaret Griffin, Jim Harvey, John Harvey, Jan Holden, Julie Jefferies, Pat Keene, Roger Kemp, Marie Kent, Patrick King, Peter Ledgley, Nathanael Lee, Joanne Leon, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Canon Anthony McKentey, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Merryman, Byron Miller, Amadine Morgan, Margaret Norman, Charles Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Ronald Quijano, Maureen Sheeran, Christine Staines, Filomena Velasquez, Mary Wallace, Brea Ward, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White.

**ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL:** Will be held in our Parish on behalf of the Missionary Sisters of England & Wales by Sr Mary Cecilia Treacy, f.m.a. this weekend. Sr Mary Cecilia's Order works with young people in 94 nations world-wide. In the UK, they have houses in Glasgow, Liverpool, London and Oxford. Visit [www.salesians.org.uk](http://www.salesians.org.uk) for more information

**POLISH/ENGLISH FATIMA PROCESSION & MASS:** This Thursday at 6:30pm at Priory Street.

**BARBECUE:** St Thomas More's Primary School is celebrating the end of the school year with its **annual barbecue on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July from 5pm until 8pm.** Parishioners, friends and family are all welcome. Activities include: an inflatable assault course, a disco, face painting, a tombola, a raffle and more besides! Come and share in the fun - £1 per person (infants free).

**MONKWICK NEWS:** Our next Coffee Morning is on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July from 10am to 12 noon, and is being hosted by Joyce Wrobel at 26 Queensland Drive, Colchester. All very welcome.

**NEWHALL SCHOOL, CHELMSFORD - VACANCIES:** Library Assistant; Senior School Administrator [Sixth Form and Career]; Cleaner. For full details, please visit [www.newhallschool.co.uk/job-opportunities](http://www.newhallschool.co.uk/job-opportunities)

**100 CLUB JUNE DRAW WINNERS:** 1<sup>st</sup> Grace McCartney; 2<sup>nd</sup> William Wynne; 3<sup>rd</sup> Rebecca Livesley. Congratulations!

**MEETING THE "LIVING GOD" SEMINARS:** Seminar 6: "*Contemplative Prayer – is it for me?*" Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July 10:30am-12noon at Cathedral House, Brentwood. Speaker: Bishop Alan Williams, sm. For further information contact: [jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org) or 01277 265285.

**FILMS FOR FAITH:** Next two showings; 19<sup>th</sup> July "The Story of Ruth" and 26<sup>th</sup> July "Joan of Arc". Both 1:00pm for a 1:15pm start. Refreshments will be provided and all are most welcome. There will then be a break for August, to be resumed in September. Further details to follow.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY: Programme: 11am** Arrive to the RC Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham. **12.00** Dedication of the Diocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary - *in the grounds of the Basilica.* **12.30** Lunch. **1.30pm** Procession to Little Walsingham village. **3pm MASS. 4.30pm** Conclusion and departures. For more information, contact Theresa Higgins on 01206 523501.

**SVP – ST JOHN BOSCO CAMP FOR GIRLS AND BOYS:** Now taking bookings for the St John Bosco Summer Camp at Aldham, just up the road. Visit [info@boscocamp.co.uk](mailto:info@boscocamp.co.uk) ; [svpboscocamp.org.uk](http://svpboscocamp.org.uk) for full details.

**PARISH OF ST JOHN VIANNEY, CLAYHALL:** Celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on 30<sup>th</sup> July at 10am with a Solemn Pontifical Mass. Celebrant: Bishop Alan. To be followed by a BBQ, Tickets £5/£3.50. Buy on the door or email [vianney.clayhall@btinternet.com](mailto:vianney.clayhall@btinternet.com)

**PARISH FAMILY BARBECUE:** On Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August from 2:30pm until 5pm. More information to follow. Frances and Norah.

**PILGRIMAGES;** [1] Knock Shrine, Ireland, 24– 29 July 2017. £699 sharing. Contact Patricia 01268 762278. [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com) [Wickford parish]  
[2] Rome, San Giovanni, Assisi. 2-9 October 2017 £749. Flights not included. Contact Gill on 01732 886666 {Tangney Tours}. [Dagenham, Holy Family parish]

**NEXT BAPTISM COURSE:** The next baptism Course for newborns up to age six will take place on the **14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> September** here in the Crypt from 7:30-9pm. No appointment is necessary but both Sessions must be attended. The dates of the baptisms will be arranged during the Course.

**PARISH COUNCIL AGM:** Will take place on Sunday, October 15th at 7:30pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall.

**VOLUNTEER FOR PRESBYTERY GARDEN AND CHURCH GROUNDS REQUIRED:** For more details please contact Armando on 07586 528877 or 01206 854921.

**CARDINAL BOURNE HALL BOOKINGS:** [cb.hall@btinternet.com](mailto:cb.hall@btinternet.com) 07758 805263  
**CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA:** July 13<sup>th</sup> – Team 1.