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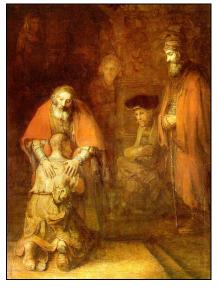
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT [C] - "Laetare Sunday" Sunday – 10th March 2013

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The Prodigal Son by Rembrandt

Mother's Day

This weekend is Mothering Sunday and we wish all our mothers a very happy day.

EVENTS THIS WEEK Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes						
Sunday 10 th 8:00pm Ratzinger Reader Cr						
Wednesday 13 th		Scripture Group	Crypt			
Friday 15 th	12:00pm	Stations of the Cross	Church			
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Saturday 16 th	5:00pm	Lectio for Lent	Crypt			
Sunday 17 th	8:00pm	Ratzinger Reader	Crypt			

SUNDAYS:	Divine Mercy followed by Rosary	3pm
DAILY:	Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:35am
EVENING PRAYE	R: Fridays at 6pm	Church
PRAYER GROUP	: Mondays at 8pm	Crypt
MEDITATION GR	OUP: Tuesdays at 8pm	Crypt

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK (new entries are in bold type): Please remember in your prayers, Anne Barry, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Ian Cole, Richard Cox, Stanley Crane, Olive Crawford, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Gianni Emoli, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Maria Mahy, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Paula Nash, Denis O'Neill, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Sabina Rhatigan, Patricia Roche, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Ron Wheeler, Tony White.

BAPTISM THIS WEEKEND: David Szabo. (Saturday). God bless this child and congratulations to his family.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET YOUR CHILD BAPTISED? The next Baptism course will be Friday 26th April and Friday 3rd May in the Crypt from 7:30pm – 9pm. There is no need to make an appointment but <u>both sessions</u> must be attended. Entry to the Crypt is via the Church. [This course is for new-borns up to age 6]

EASTER SERVICE TIMES: There are Easter cards to collect from your priests today with times of services for Holy Week and Easter.

2nd COLLECTIONS – PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND: This Sunday there will be a collection for the Parish Development Fund. That will make two collections within this financial year and it would be a great help if you can give what you can to enable us to stay in the black. On the 16-17th March there will be a collection for Easter Flowers; Priory St Only. On the 29th March (Good Friday) – there will be a collection for the Holy Places after the Good Friday liturgy.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday in Lent at 12 noon, followed by soup and bread in the Crypt - in aid of the Colchester Soup Run. Donations welcome. **EVENING STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** This Friday 15th March at Priory St - 7:30pm.

POLISH - ENGLISH STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Tuesdays at 7pm - Priory Street

MISSIO NEWSLETTERS: Spring 2013 MISSIO newsletters are available at the back

of the church for all, particularly if you are a Red Box holder. If you are not, but wish to become a Red Box holder, please contact Ron Griffin – parish promoter for MISSIO T:571.590.

BRENTWOOD NEWS: Available from this weekend at the back of church.

TABLE QUIZ: The KSC (Knights of St Columba) are holding a table quiz in the Cardinal Bourne Hall at 7:30pm on Saturday 23rd March. All proceeds will be donated to The Mary Barron Cancer suite at the Essex County Hospital, Lexden Road, Colchester. Light refreshments provided. Bar available (welcome to bring your own drinks). Tickets £5. Call Ron on 797850 to book or just turn up on the evening.

THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST: A showing of this powerful film in the crypt would be a good way to help prepare for Easter. To gauge interest, please respond to Fr Neil indicating whether you would like it from 5:00 to 7:00 pm on Good Friday, on Easter Saturday afternoon or at some other time.

LECTIO FOR LENT: Next Saturday 16th March at 5 – 6 pm in the Crypt. This consists of a reflective reading of the scriptures for the following Sunday – with silence and prayer.

LENT DAY OF REFLECTION: 'Behold the Lamb of God' Saturday 23rd March in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. 11:30am – 3pm. Poster in porch.

INVITATION: After the Easter Vigil on Saturday 30th March all are invited to join a parish celebration in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. If you would like to make a contribution in the style of "Bring a Plate" please drop off in the hall before Mass. For further details see Hywel or Pam Edwards.

FILIPINO PILGRIMAGE: There will be a Filipino Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Sunday 24th March. Please see poster in porch for full details or contact Amy / Armando on 01206 854 921.

CALLING DOWNTON ABBEY FANS: The SVP have secured an option on tickets for a visit to Highclere Castle on Sunday 18th August. Price £41 which includes coach travel with an opportunity to explore the House and Gardens. £10 deposit by 4th February please. To book phone Judy on 07970408707 or see an SVP member.

CHRISM MASS & WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE – NEED A LIFT? Theresa Higgins is organising a minibus for those who wish to go to the Chrism Mass at Brentwood Cathedral and the Brentwood Pilgrimage to Walsingham. T: 797411

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT: Saturday March 16th. Join us for live Irish music, singing and dancing. Menu: home made honey roast gammon, mustard mash and dessert. Vegetarian option available. Bring your own drinks. Tickets £10 adult, children (5-12 yrs) £5. Available from Francis T: 369 568, Nora T: 504 310 or Armando T: 854921

100 CLUB NEWS: We are able to offer an additional prize of £50 in our Easter (March) draw.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: <u>New</u> envelope sets will be available at Priory St and Mersea from this weekend onwards. Please make sure you collect your supply. Envelopes for Monkwick and Mile End are to follow.

CATHCOM REACH: Spring issue now available. A Catholic newspaper for all the family. Includes special article for children on the Papal conclave, the importance of Baptism and reports from the Vatican. Give it a go. Priced 50p.

HIGH STREET CLOSURE: From Sunday March 17^{th} – for a year, it is proposed to close the High Street to cars from 11:00am - 6:00pm each day.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 16th March - Team 6

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10th March 2013

Saturday March 9th 6:15 pm Christine Mooney RIP

Sunday March 10th 8:00 am Holy Souls RIP [AC]

10:30 am Ints: Mrs T Matiz 2:00 pm POLISH MASS 5:00 pm HOLY HOUR

6:30 pm Mrs Connaghan RIPWest Mersea8:30 am Ints: Mary Wynne

Mile End 9:15 am D/Rels: Sagnella & Cestari Families

Monkwick 10:15 am Peggy Wilding RIP

Monday 11th Feria

Church 7:30 am In thanksgiving [JM]
Church 9:15 am Dr Roger Sykes RIP

Tuesday 12th Feria

Church 9:15 am Mrs N Porter RIP

Wednesday 13th Feria

Church 7:30 am Canon John Bloomfield RIP

Church 12:15 pm Joe McEnaney RIP

Thursday 14th Feria

Church 9:15 am Ints: Maureen

Friday 15th Feria

Church 9:15 am Kay Stickley RIP
Church 6:30 pm Ernest Hewitt RIP

Saturday 16th Feria

West Mersea

Church 9:15 am John & Julie O'Connor RIP

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT [C]

17th March 2013

Saturday March 16th 6:15 pm Stephen Mooney RIP Sunday March 17th 8:00 am John Higginson RIP

10:30 am Rose & Patrick McAloon RIP

4:00 pm POLISH MASS

6:30 pm Beryl & Noel Blanchette RIP 8:30 am Matt, Eddie & Pat Hogan RIP

Mile End 9:15 am Parishioners

Monkwick 10:15 am Joseph Hawken RIP

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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