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My Dear Friends

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Many of us have never stopped to consider how important seafarers are to our standard of living. Without them, we would not have most of the items we use in our everyday lives. Many of these seafarers are unable to practise their faith due to long periods away from home, whilst others are denied the basic rights and working conditions that we take for granted.

Today's second collection is our opportunity to support the work of the Apostleship of the Sea (AoS), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. This annual collection is absolutely vital to enable AoS to continue its work with seafarers. Please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you. For more information on the work of AoS please visit their website at www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

The last time the AoS made an appeal, they asked for volunteers to help with parish appeals and our own Paul Horwood has volunteered to speak on their behalf at the Priory St Masses this weekend. This weekend, Fr Neil returns after a well earned rest and then I will take off for a summer break. I hope that you will all stay well and enjoy a rest yourselves.

May God bless you all.

Fr Tony McKentey

EVENTS THIS WEEK Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes

Saturday 20th Crypt

2 – 6 pm Couples for Christ

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 8pm

Crypt

MEDITATION GROUP: 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, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Barry Fitzgerald, 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 Urguhart, Filomena Velasquez, Ron Wheeler, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND: Amara Azuike, Vincent Suttey, Jessie Wampamba. 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 <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].

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 this Tuesday 16th July at 11am with reception into church the evening before at 4:30pm. Sylvia Griffith's Requiem Mass will be this Thursday 18th July at 1:30pm. Dorothy Cave's Funeral Service will be this Friday 19th July at 11am.

MASS THIS MONDAY: 15th July will be at the slightly later time of 9:30am.

CONFESSIONS: There will be no morning confessions on Saturday 20th July.

MERCY ASSOCIATES: meet at 7.30pm on Monday 15 July at 2 The Mount, Lexden.(CO3 4JR).

MERSEA NEWS: a big thank you to Judy Cooper for hosting our July coffee morning, at last the sun has returned and it was lovely to enjoy her beautiful garden. Our August coffee morning is at the home of Margaret Brooks 71,Queen Anne Rd, on Tuesday August 13th. See you all there.

SECOND COLLECTIONS: There will be a second collection this weekend 13th / 14th July for the work of the Apostleship of the Sea.

100 CLUB JUNE DRAW: And the winners are: Claudia Garrey [1st]; Andrew Springford [2nd]; Margaret Hawken [3rd]. Congratulations to you all.

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 **this Sunday 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.

VOLUNTARY SERVICE OVERSEAS: One of our parishioners, Dr Matthew Thalanany, has been selected to join VSO. His first assignment is to be in Ethiopia. Matthew leaves in September. 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 fund-raising evening 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.

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).

CHURCH CLEANERS: Saturday 20th July - Team 6

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C]

14th July 2013

Saturday July 13th
Sunday July 14th
6:15 pm Ints: Mrs Pat Brown
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
West Mersea 8:30 am Mary Wood RIP
Mile End 9:15 am Jean Hore RIP
Monkwick 10:15 am Parishioners

Monday 15th St Bonaventure, Bp, D

NB Church 9:30 am Eileen & Frederick Fordham RIP

Church 6:30 pm Private Intention

Tuesday 16th Feria

Church 9:15 am Maureen Eltham RIP

Church 11:00 am REQUIEM MASS - Dennis O'Neill RIP

Wednesday 17th Feria

Church 7:30 am Ints: Maria C & Family

Church 12:15 pm John Matthews RIP

Thursday 18th Feria

Church 9:15 am Hector Silva RIP

Church 1:30 pm REQUIEM MASS – Sylvia Griffiths RIP

Friday 19th Feria

Church 9:15 am Des Fuller RIP

Church 11:00 am FUNERAL SERVICE-Dorothy Cave RIP

Saturday 20th Feria

Church 9:15 am Des Fuller RIP

Church 6:00 pm KERALA MASS

Mile End

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C]

21st July 2013

Saturday July 20th 6:15 pm Joe Mooney RIP

Sunday July 21st 8:00 am In thanksgiving [S&JC]

10:30 am Dorothy Burke RIP

4:00 pm POLISH MASS 6:30 pm May Malone RIP

West Mersea 8:30 am Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP

Mile End 9:15 am Parishioners
Monkwick 10:15 am Private Intention

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 9:45-10:30am and 5:30-6:00pm
Baptismal Courses arranged as per Newsletter
At least six months notice is required

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