

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

(Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their dependants)

Saturday 13th	6.15 pm	C. O'Byrne & L. McLoughlin & Fams RIP
Sunday 14th	8:00 am	Ron Kernott RIP
	10:30 am	Parishioners
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	5.00 pm	Holy Hour
	6:30 pm	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	

Monday 15th October **MONDAY - St Theresa of Jesus (Avila)***Church* **9.30 am****Tuesday 16th** **TUESDAY - Feria***Church* **9.30 am****Wednesday 17th** **WEDNESDAY - St Ignatius of Antioch***Church* **12.15 pm** Ints: Esther & Eamon Grove**Thursday 18th** **THURSDAY - St Luke, Evangelist***Church* **9.30 am** Thanksgiving- Raju John & Family**Friday 19th** **FRIDAY - Feria***Church* **9.30 am** Elaine Proudfoot RIP*Church* **11.00 am** REQUIEM MASS: Craig Findlay RIP**Saturday 20th** **SATURDAY - Feria***Church* **9.30 am** Hector Silva RIP**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]***(World Mission Day)*

Saturday 20th	6.15 pm	
Sunday 21st	8:00 am	David Anthony Hill
	10:30 am	Parishioners
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	6:30 pm	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Sid Ashmore RIP
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (confession): Saturday 9:45am - 10:30am; 5:30pm - 6.00pm
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: At least six months' notice is required
BAPTISM COURSE: www.stjamesthelessandsthelen.org under events where a list of course dates are available

COLCHESTER GENERAL HOSPITAL: If you would like to arrange for a priest to visit a Catholic relative in hospital please contact the presbytery direct on (01206) 866317, we can also arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to visit the patient so that they may receive Holy Communion if they do not require a priest visit or are long term in-patients.

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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The first reading today, advises us to use the God-given virtue of prudence and to seek true wisdom in preference to vanishing realities like riches or political and social influence. Solomon chose Wisdom before everything else, he received everything else along with her. The second reading warns us that we are accountable before God as to how we use our blessings and that the "living and effective word of God" must be our guide in evaluating the use of our blessings. In today's Gospel, we find three sections: a narrative about Jesus' encounter with a rich man, Jesus' sayings about wealth as a possible obstacle to following him and Jesus' promise of reward for those who share their material possessions with the needy. Jesus reminded the rich man of the commandments that deal with relationships with other people and challenged him to sell what he had and to give the money to the poor. Jesus shocked his disciples with this challenge to the Jewish belief that material wealth and prosperity were signs of God's blessings. Instead, he declared that true religion consisted in one's sharing his blessings with others rather than hoarding them and getting inordinately attached to them. Since Jesus is Wisdom Incarnate, when we put following Jesus ahead of everything else we receive everything else along with Jesus.

Fr. John

PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

DAILY	Morning Prayer	8:30am
DAILY	Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:50am
SUNDAYS:	Rosary/Divine Mercy	<i>following</i> 8.00am Mass
2 nd SUNDAY MONTHLY	Eucharistic Adoration	5.00pm-6.00pm
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Tuesdays in Crypt	8.00pm

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: Please join with Pope Francis in praying for **The Mission of Religious** - That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Pat Keene, Venetia Hetherington, Elizabeth Pace, Vicky Culham, Peter Ledgley, Hilda Morah

RECENTLY DECEASED: A requiem mass will be held for Peggy Elizabeth Appleby on Thursday 25th October @ 12.30pm.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION: After all Masses this weekend there will be a collection for (PACT) Prisoners Sunday, which is the national day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependants as marked by the Catholic Church and across the Christian denominations. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and children. Prisoners' Sunday is the time to reflect on how we as individuals, as a Church and as a community are serving those affected by imprisonment.

NEXT DIOCESAN 2ND COLLECTIONS: (APF) World Mission Day on 21st October.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: next session is on Sunday 14th October at 12:00 (Noon) in the crypt. we finish at 1:50pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018/2019: Dates have now been agreed and the Programme will start in November. The parish offers this course for young people in school year 3 and above. Information packs are available at the back of church. For further information contact Hywel and Pam Edwards via prioryst_fhc@btinternet.com or 01206 867325.

HOLY HOUR: Will be held at St James the Less and St Helen on **Wednesday 24th October at 7.30pm** to pray for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. This year the Vocations office have planned to pray for vocations in all 12 deaneries within the Diocese, one for every month in 2018. All are welcome whether you are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or want to pray for those who are. This event will include a testimony from Mgr. John Armitage who was the Vicar General of this diocese and is now Rector to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk

DEACON GARY: will be away for Studies from 12th to 29th October.

AFTERNOON TEA & INTERNATIONAL CHILDRENS FESTIVAL OF DANCE: Thank you for supporting this event it was a happy afternoons entertainment enjoyed by many. We raised £196.40 for the parish fund – Thanks again, Frances and Norah.

CHRISTMAS MARKET – November 24th: Please come and help us in the preparation and on the stalls on the day, you can even run your own stall. For more information see Norah or Frances after 10.30am mass each Sunday in Cardinal Bourne Hall or contact Norah (01206) 503410 or Frances (01206) 369568.

WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP: The next showing is on **24th October** with a **start time of 1.15pm** screening *“Dunkirk”*. Everyone is most welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments. Please see noticeboard for future films and dates.

ACN CREAM TEA: Come and join us for a friendly and yummy cream tea on Saturday **3rd November at 3pm** in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. All proceeds to **Aid to the Church in Need**. £5 per person. Bring some friends and a little something for the raffle. Please reserve seats with Anne 07880852738.

JOSIE'S KITCHEN: There will be a table top sale in support of Colchester homeless on Saturday **20th & 27th October from 9am to 2pm** in Cardinal Bourne Hall. All enquiries (01206) 870929.

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: would like the following items: tinned/dry goods incl. tinned tomatoes, soups, pasta, rice, jars of sauces, long life fruit juices, milk and squashes, custard, jam, cleaning, hygiene & sanitary products and small packets of washing powder, liquid or capsules. **Thank you to all who donate**, we can advise that all goods are always greatly appreciated. Please keep donating much needed items and remember those we are helping in your prayers

TRAIN TO BECOME A TEACHER: Open Evening, **Monday 15th October, 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm** at St Thomas More's School. Information evening for anyone interested in learning more about the Essex Teacher Training Programme. If you have any questions, please contact the School Office on : (01206) 865722.

AUTUMN SPIRITUALITY TALKS: Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT 10.30am-12.00 Noon: For further info contact: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org Tel. 01277 265285 **Saturday 20th October 2018 + Saturday 17th November 2018 + Saturday 1st December 2018**

BCYS: Company sponsorship for our Youth Service? In 2019 the BCYS will take 35 young people to Costa Rica and Panama for World Youth Day with Pope Francis, and 250 young people to Lourdes to serve the ill and elderly. Each young person will have polo shirts and hoodies, and will be in lots of photos and videos – would you consider your company name and logo on the front, back and/or sleeves of each shirt and hoodie, as well as on posters and our website throughout the year? Corporate sponsorship will help young people in financial need to come to such events, and support Youth Ministry across the Diocese. If you own a company, and can help, please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or phone Fr Dominic on 01277373959.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES by air for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception: 4 Nights, **4th – evening of 8th December 2018** £545 p.p. (twin/double), £645 p.p. (single room) includes return flights, 4 nights' full board accom. at the Hotel Saint-Sauveur (inc. wine with meals), airport transfers from Ilford in UK & in France, all Mass offerings and procession candles (i.e., no extra/hidden costs) and a led retreat with Fr Andrew Headon. For a booking form / more information, please contact Siobhan at Parker Travel Ltd: 07932 634589; siobhan@parker-travel.com

VACANCIES FOR FOUNDATION GOVERNORS have arisen at a number of Catholic schools across the Diocese and expressions of interests are being sought from practising committed Catholics for the ministry. We are planning *'Initial Governor Induction Training'* for November so if you are interested and have not already contacted the diocese please could you send your CV to: sophierussell@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

❖ SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society): Telephone number - 07493 439427.
❖ CARDINAL BOURNE HALL BOOKINGS: cb.hall@btinternet.com or Tel: 07758 805263 [answerphone only – please leave a message]

CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA: Monday 15th October 2018: Team 3.