ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER 175 YEARS ~ 1837 - 2012 WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER [B] [Divine Mercy Sunday] April 15th 2012

My dear friends,

Many thanks to everyone for a beautiful celebration of Easter. Thank you to those who helped in the Liturgy, those who prepared the flowers and those who led us in song. Thank you to everyone for coming in such good numbers and being a real community of faith. Thank you everyone for your good wishes and generosity to your priests at Easter time.

The next great celebration for you to make a note of in your diary is the Mass of Thanksgiving for the 175th Anniversary of our Parish Church. This takes place on Thursday, May 3rd at 7:30pm, the feast of our patron, St James, who shares his day with St Philip. Our Bishop, Thomas McMahon will preside with priests of the Parish, past and present, and there will be refreshments afterwards in the Cardinal Bourne Hall.

Let us continue to rejoice in the Risen Lord and look forward to our special celebration in May.

May God bless you all,

Fr Tony McKentey

EVENTS THIS WEEK			
Please see Mass Schedule for any changes			
Sunday 15 th April Monday 16 th	8-9pm	Evangelium	Crypt
Monday 16 th	8 pm	Prayer Group Recommend	ces Crypt
Wednesday 18 th	6:45pm	Scripture Course	Crypt
"	7:00 pm	SVP Meeting	
Friday 20 th	7:30-9pm	Baptism Course [1 of 2]	See below
Sunday 22 nd After	10:30 Mass	SVP Coffee Morning	See below
"	8-9pm	Evangelium	Crypt

DAILY Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am
PRAYER GROUP: Mondays at 8pm Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays at 8pm Crypt

SICK: Please remember in your prayers Joan Boyden, Frank Campbell, Nancy Drummond, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Maurice Highfield, Peter Irven, Pamela Lee, Pat Maloney, Maria Mahy, Cara Maude, Bridie Murphy, Paula Nash, Leah Patterson, Sabina Rhatigan, Hector Silva, Maria Soutar, Tim Young.

TODAY IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Special prayers this afternoon at 3pm before the Polish Mass at 4pm.

WELCOME to Fr Dan Donovan who is supplying in the Parish this week.

BAPTISM TODAY: Deron Josh Morilla. God bless this child and congratulations to his family.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jean Loft, Peter Gleeson and Marie Howlett who have recently died. May they rest in peace. The funeral of Jean will be on the 17th April at 3:30 at Weeley Crematorium; the funeral of Peter Gleeson on Thursday here at 10:30am and the funeral of Michael Prout has now been arranged for Monday 23rd April at 10:30am at Priory Street.

BAPTISM COURSE: The first of two sessions takes place this Friday, 20th April, in the Crypt here at Priory Street – 7:30-9pm. If you wish to present a child – newborn to age 6yrs for Baptism – please come along. No appointment is necessary but both sessions must be attended. [The next one is on Friday 27th April]. Entry to the Crypt is via the Church.

QUIRE: "Travelling the Road to Freedom". On Saturday April 21st at 7.30pm Quire, the Colchester Community Choir, is singing at St Peter ad Vincula Church in Coggeshall in aid of the Drummonds Centre in Feering in order to raise funds for a new audio-sensory room. The music selected takes us on a Journey around the world visiting the continents and countries.

Please give this event your support. Tickets can be bought at the door: £10 and £8 concessions. Wendy Bailey 07770 66551wendybaileypr@me.com

SVP COFFEE MORNING: The Refreshments in the Hall after 10.30 Mass next Sunday morning, 22nd April, will be organized by the SVP. Proceeds will be shared between the Group in this Parish and the work of Youth SVP nationally. All welcome.

FOOD FOR THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Donations of food will be appreciated for the reception following Mass on May 3rd. Please telephone Margaret Wheeler on 797850

ABBOTSWICK: 'Come and See' weekend with The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham 28th - 29th April. The Community of Our Lady of Walsingham invites single young adults aged 18-38 to their forthcoming discernment weekend. Join other young men and women who have also been thinking about religious life and are interested in this new community. There is the option of arriving already on the Friday evening. For more information and to download a booking form please call Theresa Weight on 01277 373848 or visit http://www.walsinghamcommunity.org/media/events/ever-ancientever-new/

THANK YOU: The Knights of St Columba, would like to thank all who supported the Table Quiz. £200 was raised for the Columbian Missionaries despite the low turn out.

VACANCIES: New Hall Preparatory School has vacancies for wellqualified KS1/KS2 Class Teachers to start in September. Management allowances in Science or Art are available for suitable candidates. Closing Date:12.00pm Monday 30 April 2012; Interview Dates: Thursday 3 and Friday 4 May 2012. Further details and an Application Form can be found on our website: www.newhallschool.co.uk Alternatively, please contact the Human Resources Department: Tel: 01245 467588 Fax: 01245 467188. Email: hr@newhallschool.co.uk www.newhallschool.co.uk

MAGNIFICAT FOR APRIL: On sale on the bookstand in the church porch at a reduced price of £1 due to a late delivery.

NEW SANCTUARY CARPET: We hope you like the new sanctuary carpet which was largely paid for by a very generous donation, for which we are extremely grateful.

MOVING OUT OF THE PARISH OR MOVING WITHIN THE PARISH?: Please let the Parish Office know. Newly arrived? Please complete a registration form to be found in the church porch [in Priory Street on the left hand side table]. Pop the form back through the Presbytery Letter Box.

PARISH WEBSITE: For inclusions: admin@stjhamesthelessandsthelen.org PARISH NEWSLETTER: For items: colchester@dioceseofbrentwood.org in by a Wednesday morning, at the latest, for the following weekend please.

CHURCH CLEANING: Thursday April 19th - Team 1.

[Divine Mercy Sunday] April 15th 2012 Saturday April 14th 6:15 pm 14 LITURGY FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER[B]

Sunday April 15th 8:00 am Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP

10:30 am Whitney/Carlyon Families

3:00 pm DIVINE MERCY 4:00 pm POLISH MASS **6:30 pm** Bridie Kelly RIP [SVP]

West Mersea 8:30 am Maura Dorning RIP [M&AB]

Mile End 9:15 am Jim England RIP [A]

10:15am Parishioners Monkwick

Monday 16th Feria

7:30 am Bridget Lloyd RIP Church 9:15 am Terry Hilton RIP

Church Tuesday 17th Feria

> Church 9:15 am Intentions: Tom & Maureen Hughes RIP

Wednesday 18th Feria

> Church 7:30 am Helen & Martin Lydon RIP

Church 12:15 pm Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP

Thursday 19th Feria

Church 9:15 am Richard Brown RIP [SVP]

10:30 am REQUIEM - PETER GLEESON RIP Church

Friday 20th Feria

Church 9:15 am Intentions of Louisa D'Souza

Church 6:30 pm Ernest Robinson RIP

Saturday 21st Feria

Church 9:15 am Intentions: Christine Smith

LITURGY FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER [B]

April 22nd 2012

Saturday 21st April 2012 6:15 pm Joan Inskipp RIP Sunday 22nd April 2012 8:00 am Michael Cusack RIP

> 10:30am D/Rels: Margaret Barber 6:30 pm Intentions: Patricia Roche

West Mersea 8:30 am Parishioners Mile End 9:15 am Ida Ray RIP [SVP]

Monkwick 10:15am Intentions: Sylvia Wright OBE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 9:45-10:30am and 5:30-6:00pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Baptismal Courses arranged as per Newsletter

At least six months notice is required **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

SCHOOLS St Thomas More Head: Bridget Harris [865722] St Benedict's Head: Mrs J Santinelli [549222]

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