

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Saturday 15th	<i>Monkwick</i>	5.00 pm	Eugene Horgan RIP
Sunday 16th	<i>Church</i>	8.00 am	Elizabeth O'Karo RIP
	<i>Church</i>	10.30 am	Ints: Maya Isabel + Monika + Julian
	<i>Church</i>	2.00 pm	Polish Mass
	<i>Church</i>	6.30 pm	Nancy Budworthy RIP
	<i>West Mersea</i>	8.30 am	Parishioners
	<i>Mile End</i>	9.30 am	Paul Richard B. Brusola
Monday 17th			St Ignatius of Antioch, Bp, M
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Hedwig Gast RIP
Tuesday 18th			ST LUKE, Evangelist
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Alphonse Knapp RIP
Wednesday 19th			Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Bridget Ann Irvine RIP
Thursday 20th			Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Frederick, Elizabeth + Angelo Lucas
Friday 21st			Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Canon John Bloomfield
Saturday 22nd			St John Paul II
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Dominic Sutton RIP
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) World Mission Day			
Saturday 22nd	<i>Monkwick</i>	5.00 pm	Sebastian Kalinowski RIP
Sunday 23rd	<i>Church</i>	8.00 am	Parishioners
	<i>Church</i>	10.30 am	Elizabeth O'Karo RIP
	<i>Church</i>	2.00 pm	Polish Mass
	<i>Church</i>	6.30 pm	Dorothy Wood RIP
	<i>West Mersea</i>	8.30 am	Private Intention
	<i>Mile End</i>	9.30 am	Thanksgiving (B+D)

- ❖ For Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, please email or contact our parish office.
- ❖ Marriage Preparation: Please be aware that 6 months' notice of intention for Marriage is required especially if marrying outside the Parish. Couples who are planning to get married should contact us **at least 6 months** in advance. Thank you.
- ❖ Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Saturdays after 9.30am Mass (Priory Street) and after 5.00pm Mass (Monkwick).
- ❖ Mass Intentions. Envelopes are available in Church Porch and are situated either side of Church entrance, please complete envelope & drop through presbytery door. A suggested minimum stipend is £10 per Mass. The Mass Intention will be published in the newsletter (available on the parish website or via Facebook or collection from Church).
- ❖ 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).

- **Cardinal Bourne Hall Enquiries/Bookings:** colchester@dioceseofbrentwood.org
- **SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society):** Tel: 07493 439427/email: colchestersvp@gmail.com



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ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK

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TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) WEEK COMMENCING 16th OCTOBER 2022

The three great Christian virtues are of course faith, hope and charity. We hear a lot about faith and charity, whereas hope seems to be a poor relation. This might be because of the worldly use of 'hope' which has nothing to do with the virtue, worldly hope being wishful thinking. In today's Gospel Jesus asks that the disciples persevere in prayer, and this could be broadened into a general appeal to persevere as Christians, which seems to me to be a matter of hope. The widow in the Gospel parable this Sunday doesn't give up, she expects to get what she is after even if it takes a long time. So it is with us. God has promised us much, some in this world and the fulfilment of all the promises in heaven. Our journey therefore is made in hope, an utter conviction that God will give what he has promised, in his own time. If God delays to act, as we might see it, we need not worry since he is faithful and we shall receive at the favourable time. This is not wishful thinking but rather, in the words of a well-known hymn, all our hope on God is founded.

Fr. Chris

PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES		
DAILY (Mon-Fri)	Rosary/Divine Mercy	at 8.45 am
DAILY	Morning Prayer	at 9.15 am
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Wednesdays (Cardinal Bourne Hall)	at 8.00 pm
ADORATION & PRAYER	Thursdays	at 7.30 pm



THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: *A Church Open to Everyone.*

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

MARRIAGE MATTERS: (Exodus 17: 8-13; 2 Timothy 3: 14- 4: 2; Luke 18: 1-8) *Prayer is essential for a deeper loving.* Today, Jesus encourages us to pray often and never lose heart. Praying together is a time for thanking God for His presence with us and for the blessing of our love for each other. We ask God to help us to forgive hurts, to share ourselves more deeply and to listen better. In darkness, pain or joy, He is there.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We continue to pray for those parishioners we know who are sick and housebound especially Mike Taylor, Darline + Peter Wyatt, Dorothy Golding, Elizabeth Pace, Hilda Morah, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Jim Lynas, Maureen R. We continue to pray for all persons who are ill or are in need and for those who have recently died.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jean Marie Gale who has recently passed away. The parish community offers her family and friends our condolences and the assurance of our prayers at this most difficult time. Jean's funeral service will be held in colchester crematorium on 1st November at 11.45am.

2nd COLLECTION: A collection will be taken after each Mass this weekend for **PACT** in respect of Prisoner's Sunday. PACT is the national charity that provides support to prisoners, people with convictions, and their families through a range of family, court, helpline and prison and community-based services. Their vision of a society in which justice is understood as a process of restoration and healing, and where the innate dignity and worth of every human is valued.

NEXT 2nd COLLECTION: A collection will be taken for **World Mission Sunday on 23rd October.** World Mission Sunday is when the Pope invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his Charity for World Mission. Please support Missio in helping Missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the World that are poor and in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our church's mission to share God's love with all people.

RED MISSIO BOXES: If you have a full Red Missio Box please drop this into the Presbytery. Emptied boxes can also be collected from Presbytery

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CERTIFICATES: The First Holy Communion Certificates are ready for collection from the Presbytery for all the children who celebrated their sacrament on 12th and 19th June 2022. Also available are the Certificates for those who celebrated this Sacrament in 2021.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF HOLY SOULS. During this month, prayers and Masses are said for the Faithful Departed. *November Altar Lists of dead & Envelopes* are available in the Church Porch. Please put the names of your deceased family and friends on the list and place this in the envelope along with your donation and either hand the envelope to a priest or drop the envelope through the presbytery letterbox.

INVITATION TO PARISH MEETING RE CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING: All Parishioners and Community groups (*or their representatives*) are invited to a meeting in the hall **on Sunday 23rd October after the 10.30am Mass.** This is to discuss ideas for our annual Christmas fundraising event. We really want to make this a special occasion to everyone together and to raise funds for the parish whilst making it a day to remember! **Everything that happens in our parish is only possible with your support. Thank you**

JOSIE'S KITCHEN: Josie is looking for donations of various items to make her care packages for the Homeless at Christmas. If you can spare any of the following items: - General toiletries (shower gels, shampoo, deodorants, toothpaste), Cup-a-soups, sachets of coffee drinks, hot chocolate, long life milk. Tins of ready meals i.e. Chili-con-carne, casserole, minced beef, tinned potato's, tinned puddings, crisps, biscuits, small multipack snacks. These items make a big difference to their lives and show them that they are cared for in our community. Please drop your Donations into the Presbytery. Thank You for your continued generosity and support.

CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: keeping our place of worship glorious for The Lord. Volunteers are desperately needed to keep our church looking clean and welcoming. If you can spare 1-2 hours per month to help clean the Church and would like to become a "heavenly duster" or a "hoover angel" Or form a new team with friends, community groups. Please contact the Presbytery (866317). As the saying goes,...Many hands make light work. Thank you.

THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN FRATERNITY (CLACTON) invites anyone interested to join in one of their fraternity meetings that take place on 1st Friday of each month. Meetings are held at 6pm in the Presbytery at 1^a Church Rd, Clacton with Fr Patrick Daly. Adoration and Benediction is followed by Vespers. If interested in attending, please contact Justyna: 07484716248. Thank you.

SVP CUPPA CLUB: will meet every **Thursday from 10.00am to 11.30am** in Cardinal Bourne Hall. Come and enjoy a free tea/coffee and cake with friends. Newspapers, puzzles, games & crafts, etc., will be available.

LITTLE SAINTS TOTS: Our parish Tots group is **every Wednesday** during term time **8:50am-11am.** All welcome for play, crafts and a snack. Tea/coffee for adults. If you attend with your child, please consider volunteering, please contact Julia on 07854296437.

ALL BRENTWOOD DIOCESAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL/ADMIN VACANCIES (for which the Education Services Department are aware) are posted on the Diocesan website. To view current vacancies with further info please use this link:- [School Vacancies - Brentwood Diocese \(dioceseofbrentwood.net\)](https://dioceseofbrentwood.net) **Admin Vacancies** [Vacancies - Brentwood Diocese \(dioceseofbrentwood.net\)](https://dioceseofbrentwood.net)

NEW TO THE PARISH? Then please complete one of our Parish Registration forms, which can be found in the porch at the back of the church.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: There are still a couple of uncollected Gift Aid box sets in porch. Thank you.



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE. We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength, and wisdom to guide their choices.

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM: Monday 17/10/22: **Team 3** / Monday 24/10/22: **Team 4**
CBH COFFEE MORNING: 16/10/22: **African Community** / 23/10/22: **Diane + Adrian**