

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [A]

16<sup>th</sup> November 2014

Saturday November 15 <sup>th</sup>	6:15 pm	Mr & Mrs Milford & Lionel Wright RIP
Sunday November 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	Ann de Smith RIP
	10:30 am	Jim Kennedy RIP [D&AD]
	4:00 pm	<b>POLISH MASS</b>
	6:30 pm	November Dead List
West Mersea	8:30 am	Parishioners
Mile End	9:15 am	Yadi Khodaverdi
Monkwick	10:15 am	Ints: Catherine Spicer

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>		
	Church	7:30 am	Vocations to the priesthood and religious life
	Church	9:15 am	November Dead List
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>		
	<b>NB</b> Church	9:30 am	Margaretta Wright RIP
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>		
	<b>NB</b> Church	9:15 pm	Terry Hilton RIP
West Mersea	Church	9:30 am	<b>Holy Communion Service</b>
	Church	12:15 pm	Aubery Patrick Lyons RIP
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>		
	Church	9:15 am	Frank & Heather Mills RIP
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<i>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		
	Church	9:15 am	November Dead List
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>St Cecilia, V, M</i>		
	Church	9:15 am	November Dead List

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING [A] – Solemnity

(Youth Day) - 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2014

Saturday November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6:15 pm	Stephen Mooney RIP
Sunday November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8:00 am	Michael Hanley RIP
	10:30 am	Jim Kennedy RIP [IJ]
	2:00 pm	<b>POLISH MASS</b>
	6:30 pm	November Dead List
West Mersea	8:30 am	Elizabeth & Mike Fleetwood RIP
Mile End	9:15 am	Carmine Cestari & Family
Monkwick	10:15 am	Parishioners

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My dear friends

We are approaching the end of the Church's year. Next weekend will be the Last Sunday of the Year - the Feast of Christ the King. That weekend is always observed as National Youth Sunday and we will have a collection for our Diocesan Youth Service.

Our new Bishop, Alan Williams, will be visiting the priests of the Colchester deanery for their meeting at St Theresa's Lexden on Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup>. The November meeting always begins with Mass for the deceased clergy of the diocese, and this will be at St Theresa's at 10:30am. Bishop Alan will preside at a concelebrated Mass with the clergy of the deanery. Everyone is welcome.

We are hoping to welcome Bishop Alan to preside at the 10:30am Mass on the First Sunday of Advent – November 30th at Priory St. The reason for coming to Colchester, is so that after the Mass, he can make a short visit to St John's Abbey Gatehouse at around midday to see the new sign that is to be erected there commemorating the martyrdom of Blessed John Beche. Blessed John Beche, the last Abbot of Colchester was martyred there on the 1<sup>st</sup> December 1539. We observe his feast in the diocese on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Fr Nick Farrell was very grateful for the parish gift of £1,000 which I presented to him after the 8:00am Mass last Sunday. Circumstances prevented him from attending the 10:30am Mass. We wish him well in his new work at Pirbright. He brought with him last weekend his successor, Fr Paul McCourt, who will be taking over later this month.

May God bless you all

Fr Tony McKentey

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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 7:45pm Crypt  
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays at 8pm Crypt  
SCRIPTURE GROUP: Wednesdays at 6:45pm [Term time only] Crypt

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please remember in your prayers; Władysław Antończak, Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, Olive Crawford, Jeanette Dagwell, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Joan Donnelly, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Charlie George, Bill Graves, Bert Hewitt, Norah Hewitt, Maurice Highfield, David Hill, Theresa Hogan, Ronald Jay, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Pat Maloney, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Merryman, Byron Miller, Margaret Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Stephen and Sabina Rhatigan, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

**BAPTISMS:** Welcome to Lucas Saliba who was received into the church through the Sacrament of Baptism last Sunday. God bless this child and congratulations to his family.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:** The next second collection will be on 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> November for the Diocesan Youth Service on the Feast of Christ the King (National Youth Sunday)

**MASS DURING THE WEEK:** On Tuesday, Mass will be at the slightly later time of 9:30am. On Wednesday, the 7:30am Mass will be replaced by a Mass at 9:15am.

**MONKWICK NEWS:** There will be a committee meeting on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7:00pm St Theodore's. Newcomers welcome.

**CHRISTMAS MARKET: November 29<sup>th</sup>.** This week we are requesting cakes, biscuits, sweets and chocolates. Please continue with the items previously requested. Your help on the day would be much appreciated. Thank you. Frances, Norah and friends.

**CHRISTMAS GRAND DRAW TICKETS:** are to be handed out after Mass, each envelope contains two books. Please take at least one envelope and if you can sell some to family or friends please take more. Please return unsold tickets, the counterfoils with your name, contact details, and money to the presbytery by the 19th December to be entered. Help us raise funds for the church. Excellent prizes on offer. Don't miss out!

**RCIA:** "Journey in Faith". If you or someone you know is thinking about the Catholic Faith and would like to know more, perhaps with a view to becoming Baptised or receiving Holy Communion, Please give your name and contact details to Fr Tony or to the presbytery.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: Lectio Divina for Advent:** Advent begins at the end of this month. We shall have Lectio Divina, holy reading of the Sunday texts, at 5pm on

Saturdays, beginning Saturday 29th Nov at 5pm in the Crypt. **Day of Reflection:** Advent and the Sign of the Cross on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 11am – 3pm. More details later.

**PROPHET, PRIEST AND KING:** I promised that we would show this DVD by Fr. Robert Barron in October. The DVD is available, but the resources to go with the series aren't. I plan to show it now in January or February. Time to invite some more friends! Meanwhile, there's "Faith of our Fathers". Fr Neil.

**FAITH OF OUR FATHERS: In Search of the English Martyrs.** The Second DVD will be shown during the week of the 1st of December.

**CHRISTIAN CHRISTMAS CARDS & DIARIES:** are available in the repository in Priory Street. A small number of Advent calendars are also in stock. Why not give a good book at Christmas? Some carefully selected and attractive ones are available for different ages.

**WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS FOR ADVENT:** An excellent opportunity to prepare ourselves for the Nativity of our Lord with a reading, prayer and reflection for each day of the week. Still only £1.

**THIS SUNDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER:** at 3:00pm we meet at the Crematorium car park in Colchester Cemetery (best to enter by the top gate on Mersea Road). We will Process to the Catholic section of the cemetery for prayers and blessing of the graves of our loved ones and those who have no-one to pray for them. Stout shoes and warm clothing are recommended.

**SAINT JOHN PAUL II CENTRE, KRAKOW:** Near the Sanctuary of Divine Mercy, work on the John Paul II Centre is underway. Up to now there has been a mobile display mounted in a lorry outside, but the project is much more ambitious and permanent. It is on the site of the chemical works where the future pope worked at the end of the war. The complex will host conferences and accommodate tourists and pilgrims, and will include a rehabilitation centre, pilgrims' house, the John Paul II Institute and the John Paul II Museum. Final completion is due in 2015. The unsponsored project is dependent on donations from private institutions and individuals. It will be a central focus for the World Youth Day which will be held in Krakow in 2016. Pilgrims from our parish visited the shrine and attended Mass there after Easter. Our parishioners have raised £750 which we are now donating to this project. Please pray for this witness of Faith in the 21st century.

**COUPLES FOR CHRIST: Healthy Buddies.** Every Thursday from 11:00am – 2pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. Free admission and coffee and tea. Please contact Annie 07426 169 557 or Amy 854 921. Any donations received will go to the running costs of the hall. Thank you.

**SEEKING GOD'S BLESSING FOR COLCHESTER (SGBC):** The Church's together in Colchester group have their 10th anniversary thanksgiving **this Sunday 16th Nov.** Tea & Coffee will be served from 6:30pm for a 7pm start. The speaker will be the Rt Revd. Roger Morris, Bishop of Colchester. All welcome. There will be an opportunity to see the great Christian work in our town.

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