

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (C)

Saturday 20th	8.00 pm	Hubert Healy RIP	Solemn Vigil of Easter
Sunday 21st	8:00 am	Joe Flathery RIP	
	10:30 am	Parishioners	
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass	
	6:30 pm	Private Intention	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Victoria Culham RIP	
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Ints: Jacinta + Justina Ngeh	
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Mrs Mary McGarvey RIP	
Monday 22nd		Monday within the Octave of Easter	
<i>Church</i>	10.00 am	Patrick Quinlivan RIP	
Tuesday 23rd		Tuesday within the Octave of Easter	
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Sidney Finch + Rose Jane Castell	
Wednesday 24th		Wednesday within the Octave of Easter	
<i>Church</i>	12.15 pm	Joseph Von Wrede RIP	
Thursday 25th		Thursday within the Octave of Easter	
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Canon John Bloomfield	
School Mass	10.15 am	St Benedicts School Mass	
Friday 26st		Friday within the Octave of Easter	
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Dr. Belen De Jesus	
<i>Hospital Chapel</i>	12.00 pm	Hospital Mass	
Saturday 27th		Saturday within the Octave of Easter	
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Albert Healy RIP	

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Saturday 27th	6.15 pm	David P. Domingo RIP
Sunday 28th	8:00 am	B. Butlin RIP + Fam
	10:30 am	Private Intention
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	3.00 pm	Solemnity of Divine Mercy Polish/English
	6:30 pm	Ronald Payot RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Parishioners
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Private Intention
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Wrobel + Wright + Fams RIP

EASTER MONDAY (22nd April): Please note that morning mass will be at 10.00am and NOT 9.30am.

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 is 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 patients 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
1 PARISH , 4 CHURCHES, 1 COMMUNITY**



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WEEK COMMENCING: 21ST APRIL 2019 - PARISH MASS BOOK PAGE 223**

There are countless journalists around the world, all engaged in providing us with news. So-called social media allow many others to act as amateur journalists, with the result that there is news everywhere, even to TV/radio channels exclusively devoted to news. Why? What do we think we get from all this news? Some people may be moved to pray or act for others who are in need but otherwise simple curiosity seems to be a major factor, as much of what we take in is almost instantly forgotten. This Sunday we focus on what really is newsworthy, the Resurrection. The message of Easter (repeated every day throughout the year) goes to the heart of who we are and what we are called to be. Our response to this Good News has eternal consequences for each individual. News, not to be quickly forgotten but rather the centre of our lives for every moment. Jesus is Risen.

Fr Chris

PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

DAILY	Morning Prayer	9.15am
DAILY	Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:35am
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 APRIL: *Doctors & their Collaborators in War Zones.* For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

MARRIAGE MATTERS: *Giving each other new life* Today's theme is new life. It reminds us of our promise to be a source of life to each other every day in tenderness, understanding, encouragement and praise, yet also by forgiving our spouse particularly when he/she is vulnerable and full of self-doubt. Today is a good day to thank God for all the life we have received.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Pat Keene, Venetia Hetherington, Elizabeth Pace, Peter Ledgley, Hilda Morah**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Joan Stones and Miss Wilga Lyons who have recently passed away. May they rest in peace. We also pray for the comfort of their bereaved families and friends. Funeral details are to be advised.**THE SOLEMNITY OF THE DIVINE MERCY:** On **Sunday 28th April** will take place **immediately after** 2^{pm} mass at Priory Street. In Polish/English. All are welcome. **The Novena** in preparation for the Feast starts on **Good Friday (19th April)**. Prayer leaflets are available in church porch.**EASTER OFFERING:** The offertory at all the Easter Day Masses is, by tradition, the Parishioner's personal gift to the Clergy. In this parish – Fr Chris & Fr John are the beneficiaries, since this collection forms the main part of their personal annual income. Thank you**PROCEEDS OF 2nd COLLECTIONS:** Thank you for your generosity, the following amounts have been sent off to these charities: - Lourdes Sick & Helpers Fund £620.58, Racial Justice Sunday £572.12, (CAFOD) Lent Fast Day £1,136.02.**DEACON GARY DENCH:** The Ordination to the Priesthood of Gary Dench by Bishop Alan will take place on **Saturday 22nd June 2019 at 11.30am** in Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Collier Row, RM5 2AP. A coach is being arranged to take parishioners who would like to attend with seats costing approx. £10-£15pp and will depart at 9.20am. **If you have not already done so, please add your name to the list in porch.** Everyone is welcome to attend this special day.**NEW MINISTERS REQUIRED:** We are keen to recruit new people for the following Ministries, if you are interested in joining, please contact the relevant person: -

- **MINISTRY OF WELCOME:** Paul Horwood (m) 07895177574 /email: paulhorwood@hotmail.com
- **READERS:** Elspeth Johnson 01206 618846 /email: elspethjohnson.ej1@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP: The next Film showing is on Wednesday, **24th April**, with a **start time of 1.15pm** screening "*Risen*". All Welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments. Please see noticeboard for future films and dates.**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 21- 26 July**, under the leadership of Bishop Alan Williams. **There are still places available.** Booking forms at the back of church, contact Cathy O'Connor: cathy_oconnor83@hotmail.com or Tangney Tours:01732 886666.**RACE NIGHT:** the **SVP** are holding a Race Night on **Saturday, 27th April** from 7.30pm in Cardinal Bourne Hall. Bar and free buffet! Tickets £5.00 pp accompanying children free. Tickets must be purchased in advance, not at the door and will be sold following each mass on Saturdays and Sundays leading up to the event. Details available on Parish Website. All welcome.**ST THOMAS MORE SCHOOL CHOIR EASTER PERFORMANCE.** On **Tuesday 23rd April** here in the Church at 6.30pm. Parishioners are warmly invited.**KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA (KSC) - Events schedule: -****1: SPRING ACTION PROJECT 2019: *Fonebank in association with Oxfam.*** Do you have an old mobile phone lying around? A handset that has been replaced by a newer model? The KSC are collecting any and all old mobile phones to donate them to Fonebank and Oxfam. Please bring them to mass with you starting from the **27th of April** and leave them in our boxes in the porch.**2: SPONSORED WALK FOR BCCS 2019:** The annual KSC Sponsored walk is taking place on the **18th of May**. Please speak to any member or contact Gary Hull on (01206) 530863 for more info. The walk is in aid of (BCCS) Brentwood Catholic Childrens' Society.**3: KSC CENTENARY BBQ AND DANCE:** You are all warmly invited to join the KSC, Council 270, for their centenary celebration at Mile End on **29th June at 7:00pm**. Tickets are £15 pp or £40 for a family ticket. There will be a cash bar, music and food. Tickets are on sale now, just speak to any member or call George Johnson on 07476781885. Hurry there are only 100 tickets available. To find out more about the KSC or to join, please contact George Johnson on 07476781885 or Stefan Szyptma on (01206) 760184.**SHERRY WEDDELL: BUILDING A PARISH OF FRUITFUL DISCIPLESHIP:** We are hugely excited to welcome Sherry Weddell from the Catherine of Siena Institute to London for a special one-day event where she will explore how Catholics can fulfil their mission to bring all to Christ. **On Tuesday 18 June** from 1^{pm} - 9^{pm} at **Westminster Cathedral Hall**, SW1P 1QW. Sherry is a best-selling author, lecturer and evangelist who is much in demand across the world. This day event consists of three sessions and tickets can be purchased for all 3, 2 sessions or just 1. Each session costs £10. Details about the times of each session(s) are on the link when you apply for tickets: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/centreforcatholicformation/251195>**ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION:** The Painters from St John Payne Catholic Church, Greenstead invite you to their Annual Exhibition of works on **Monday 6th May**. So many beautiful pictures for you to enjoy and perhaps buy, together with cards and prints. Doors open at 10.30am for coffee and later for drinks and nibbles. Everyone is welcome.**ESSEX RECUSANT SOCIETY:** The latest journal of ***South-Eastern Catholic History (No: 9)*** is available for purchase at £5.00 in church porch.**GIFT AID SUBSCRIBERS:** If you have not already done so - please can you collect your new box sets from the church porch. Box sets are laid out in alphabetical order. Thank you.

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

CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA: Monday 22nd April: **Team 3**