

# ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

175 YEARS ~ 1837 - 2012

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



YEAR OF FAITH 2012  
2013

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## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B] October 21<sup>st</sup> 2012

### World Mission Sunday

We join with Catholics all over the world today in praying for the work of the missions. A large and important part of our church (40%) is still regarded as "missionary" and needs our help to survive and grow to self sufficiency. Even more challenging is the fact that more than 50% of the world's population has never heard of Jesus and doesn't know that they are loved unconditionally by God. Our prayers today mean that we share in the mission of Jesus by supporting the thousands of missionaries who put their lives at the service of God's people. We raised £2,000 for the work of the Columban Missionaries recently and the money from the Red Boxes goes to the APF (Association for the Propagation of the Faith). They now go under the new name of Missio and we receive their quarterly magazines (copies of which are available today). [www.missio.org.uk](http://www.missio.org.uk).

We will take up a second collection for the Missions next weekend.

### Diocesan and Parish Census

We have been asked by the diocese for each parish to take up a census by means of an anonymous questionnaire during one of the weekends in October. Forms will be available in the benches next weekend and it would be helpful if you brought a pen with you.

<b>SUNDAYS:</b>	Divine Mercy followed by Rosary	3pm
<b>DAILY:</b>	Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:35am
<b>PRAYER GROUP:</b>	Mondays at 8pm	Crypt
<b>MEDITATION GROUP:</b>	Tuesdays at 8pm	Crypt

<i>EVENTS THIS WEEK</i>			
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	7:30pm	Mercy Associates Meeting	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:45pm	Scripture Course	Crypt
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:30pm	Catholicism Course	Crypt
[The next RCIA meeting takes place on Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct @ 7:30pm Crypt			

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please remember in your prayers, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Gwen Cole, Ian Cole, Stanley Crane, Nancy Drummond, Gianni Emery, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Maurice Highfield, Maria Mahy, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Paula Nash, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Sabina Rhatigan, Maria Soutar, Catherine Spicer, Jacqueline Sykes, Filomena Velasquez, Tony White.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Desmond Byrne and Jean Humphries who have recently died. Desmond's funeral will be on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 12 pm and Jean's funeral will be on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 12:30pm. May they rest in peace.

**AUDREY DAVIS:** The Davis family would like to thank all those who came to Audrey's funeral at West Mersea. The family has been overwhelmed with the number of people who have sent kind messages and condolences, a testimony to the affection and high esteem in which Audrey was held in Mersea and beyond.

**HECTOR SILVA:** The Silva family would like to extend their thanks to all parishioners who supported and prayed for them during Hector's illness and for being with them at his funeral.

**NOVEMBER - Month of the Holy Souls:** Envelopes are available today in which you can place the names of your deceased relatives and friends you would like to be remembered at Masses on All Souls Day and during November. On All Souls Day (Friday November 2<sup>nd</sup>) as well as Masses at Priory St, there will be a 9am Mass at Mersea, 10:30am at Monkwick and 12 noon at Mile End.

**HOSPITAL MASS:** There will not be a Hospital Mass this month.

**BAPTISM THIS WEEKEND:** Eleanor Garnham & Aimee Szabóová. God bless these children and congratulations to their families.

**YEAR OF FAITH RESOURCES:** can be found at the back of church near the Seventh Station of the Cross. The CTS Year of Faith leaflet contains a list of key books to read – all available from [www.cts-online.org.uk](http://www.cts-online.org.uk).

**AUTUMN FAIR:** From, Francis, Nora & Friends: Thank you to all those who supported this event, which was organized by the Friends of Peru and the Parish Social Group. £450 and £350 was raised respectively.

**CHRISTMAS MARKET:** Dates for your diary are November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow.

**MERCY ASSOCIATES:** Next meeting is this coming Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 37 Beaconsfield Avenue, Colchester.

**MERSEA NEWS:** Many thanks to Sue Jenner for hosting our last coffee morning which every one enjoyed. Our last event for 2012 will be the Christmas Fayre to be held at St Cedd's on Saturday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, from 10:30. Hope to see you there.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME:** The Parish's First Holy Communion Programme for young people in Years 3 and above will start in Advent. Information packs will be available after Mass **from this weekend – 20/21<sup>st</sup> October**. Parents' meetings will be held in the Crypt on **Thursdays, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> November** from 7:30pm and all sessions should be attended. The children gather for the first time on **Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> December** at 10:00am in the Cardinal Bourne Hall.

**PILGRIMAGE TO OXBURGH HALL AND WALSINGHAM. Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October.** 7:45 Morning Prayer and depart. Mass in the chapel in the grounds of Oxburgh Hall courtesy of Lord and Lady Bedingfeld. After lunch (in the National Trust Café) Rosary Walk from the Slipper chapel into Walsingham. Tea courtesy of the nuns at Swaffham on the return journey. We plan to arrive in Colchester by 7.30pm. Please sign up on the sheet in the porch. Those prepared to drive please indicate.

**175<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** To celebrate 175 years since the founding of our Parish, all parishioners are invited to the Cardinal Bourne Hall following Saturday evening Mass on 3<sup>rd</sup> November to partake of light refreshments. Wine, soft drinks, tea and coffee will be available, but offers of finger buffet food will be most welcome. You may like to bring any photographs you wish to share about events in the parish during your time here. Ring Frances Galvin [369568] or Ron Griffin [571590] for more details.

**ST THOMAS MORE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:** are advertising for a cleaner. 2 hours per day - Monday – Friday 3.30-5.30. Term time only. £6.30 per hour. Please contact the school for more details on 01206 865722.

**ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE:** are advertising for a head of maths, a teacher of modern foreign languages and a science teacher. Please see their website for further details: [www.stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk](http://www.stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk)

**CATHOLICISM:** A 12 week series of adult formation in the Faith. Fr Robert Barron presents a stunning DVD-based Catechism on Friday nights at 7:30pm in the Crypt. The next booked sessions this year are on October 26<sup>th</sup>; November 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.

**SVP:** The SVP will be holding a Party for Senior Citizens on Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2:30pm-5pm. Cost £5. Full details to follow.

**AT THE WELLSPRINGS OF PRAYER:** A series of talks for the Year of Faith. First one is entitled "From Prison To Prayer" by Fr Paul Fox at our Lady of Light, Clacton on Sea on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November from 7:30 – 9:30pm. For more information and for booking contact Clacton parish on 01255 423 319.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Volunteers are needed for the 10.30am Sunday Mass. Children's liturgy tries to provide children with an interesting and stimulating insight into the Gospel and the celebration of the Mass. People need to be able to commit to doing a liturgy about every 8-10 weeks, ideally working in pairs, with the possibility of running the liturgy for two consecutive weeks. You do not have to be a teacher, it is very easy to do and the resources are all ready for you. Please contact Siobhan (Shiv) Cordy-Mckenna on 07740 940520 or Angela Millward.

**CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Team 4**

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B] – 21<sup>st</sup> October 2012**

**[World Mission Day]**

**Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> 6:15 pm Annie Fitzgibbon RIP**

**Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup> 8:00 am** Ints: Bernadette Young

**10:30 am** Sr Helen Walsh RIP

**4:00 pm POLISH MASS**

**6:30 pm** Paddy Gilligan RIP

**8:30 am** Sid Ashmore RIP

**9:15 am** Parishioners

**10:15 am** Holy Souls RIP

*West Mersea*

*Mile End*

*Monkwick*

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Feria**

*Church* **7:30 am** Canon John Bloomfield RIP

*Church* **9:15 am** Peter Mascarenhas RIP

*Church* **12:30 pm REQUIEM MASS: Jean Humphreys RIP**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Feria**

**NB** *Church* **7:30 am** Michael and Ellen Kate Conlon RIP

*Church* **9:15 am** Terry Hilton RIP

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Feria**

*Church* **12:15 pm** Core Allard RIP

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Feria**

*Church* **9:15 am** Ints: Edna Solomon

*Church* **1:30 pm WEDDING: Juli-Anne Rowland & Richard Turnbull**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**St Cedd, Bp, Secondary Co-Patron of the Diocese**

*Church* **9:15 am STM Yr 5** Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP

*Church* **12:00 pm REQUIEM MASS: Des Byrne RIP**

*Church* **6:30 pm** Katie Suffield RIP

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Feria**

*Church* **9:15 am** Mr T M Sebastian RIP

*Church* **12:30 pm WEDDING: Jamie Tanner & Sean Mills**

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [B] – 28<sup>th</sup> October 2012**

**Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup>**

**6:15 pm** Annie Fitzgibbon RIP

*Mile End*

**6:00 pm KERALA MASS**

**Sunday October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 am** Ints: Bernadette Young

**10:30 am** Sr Helen Walsh RIP

**6:30 pm** Paddy Gilligan RIP

**8:30 am** Sid Ashmore RIP

**9:15 am** Parishioners

**10:15 am** Holy Souls RIP

*West Mersea*

*Mile End*

*Monkwick*

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

**SCHOOLS** *St Thomas More* Head: Bridget Harris [865722]

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