THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (C) FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI				
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6.15 pm			
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8:00 am	Ints: F.C. Grospe		
-	10:30 am	Anniv: Antonetta Caldeira		
		+ Corpus Christi Procession		
Church	2:00 pm	Polish Mass		
	6:30 pm	Private Intention		
West Mersea	8:30 am	Anna Liza B. Cagadas RIP		
Mile End	9:15 am	Nicole De Lobel RIP		
Monkwick	10:15 am	Parishioners		
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>		NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST		
Church	9.30 am	James Donovan RIP		
ST JOHN'S ABBEY GATEHOUSE	11.00 am	Gatehouse Mass		
Church	1.30 pm	Requiem Mass: Lady Marie Sloman RIP		
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>		Feria		
Church	9.30 am	Ints: Natasha Pereira		
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>		Feria		
Church	* 9.30 am	Joseph O'Conner RIP		
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>		Feria		
Church	9.30 am	Pierre Fanchette RIP		
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>		THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS		
Church	9.30 am			
School	11.00 am	School Mass		
Hospital Chapel	12.00 pm	Hospital Mass		
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	0.20.5	The Immaculate heart of Mary		
Church	9.30 am			
SS PETER AND PAUL (C) HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION				
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	6.15 pm	OBLIGATION		
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	Parishioners		
Catenians President Mass	10:30 am	Dec. Mem. Caldeira Family		
Church	2:00 pm	Polish Mass		
Ghaich	6:30 pm	Ints: Castro Family		
West Mersea	8:30 am	•		
Mile End	9:15 am	Joyce Whittle RIP		
		Charlotte + John Morrow RIP		
Monkwick	10:15 am	Private Intention		
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		

## \* WEDNESDAY 26th PLEASE NOTE THAT MASS WILL BE AT 9.30AM AND NOT 12.15AM.

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## THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (C)

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My sincere thanks to everyone for their prayers and expressions of kindness for my ordination as deacon last week in Rome. It was a memorable day filled with joy which I will never forget.

It is very much a season for ordinations at the moment with Gary Dench's (now Father Gary!) ordination to Priesthood this weekend (Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June) in Corpus Christi Church in Collier Row, Romford. Inevitably, our thoughts turn to Jesus Christ, the High Priest, with the celebrations of Corpus Christi itself today (Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June) and the Sacred Heart of Jesus this coming Friday (28<sup>th</sup> June). Both of these beautiful occasions show Jesus' human reality as we recall his physical nature, his incarnation, with the giving of his body and blood in Holy Communion and the beating of his Sacred Heart with love for us. Jesus came to us with a deep desire for us to know him and to enter into a deep, personal relationship with him so that he can lead us gently into the mystery of the Godhead, into the very life of the Trinity, whom he reveals to us.

We pray for Father Gary and all those being ordained priest this summer, that the Lord will bless and sustain them in their ministry and help them to reveal God's love for us ever more.

God bless, Deacon Adrian

PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES				
DAILY	Morning Prayer 9.15am			
DAILY	Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:35am		
SUNDAYS:	Rosary/Divine Mercy following 8.00am Mas			
2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY MONTHLY	Eucharistic Adoration	5.00pm-6.00pm		
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Tuesdays in Crypt	8.00pm		

**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR JUNE:** The Mode of Life of Priests That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

**MARRIAGE MATTERS:** *Memories of You*. Memories enable us to make the past present. At family gatherings we remember things we have shared together. At funerals we remember all that the person meant to us. At the family Eucharist the past is made present as we remember what Abraham, Melchizedek, Moses, and Jesus did. Let us seek to create God/good memories for ourselves and our children.

**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 soul of Lady Marie-Bernadette Sloman who has recently passed away. May she rest in peace and we also pray for the comfort of her bereaved family and friends. The Requiem Mass will be held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 1.30<sub>pm</sub>.

**DIOCESAN 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTIONS:** After all masses this Sunday there will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection for the Sick & Retired Clergy Fund. The Sick & Retired Clergy Fund is part of the Diocesan Charity which helps and supports our retired and sick clergy. As a Charity we rely on the generosity of the Parishes and individual donations to keep the Fund in a healthy state.

**UPCOMING DIOCESAN 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTIONS:** Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June: Peter's Pence, 7<sup>th</sup> July: Parish Renovation Fund (1 of 4) and 14<sup>th</sup> July: Apostleship of the Sea

**NEXT BAPTISM COURSE:** for new-borns and children up to age 6 yrs. will take place on **Friday 6th September 2019** here in the Crypt from **7:30<sub>pm</sub>-9.00<sub>pm</sub>** (entrance to Crypt is via Church). No appointment is necessary. [If you would like to present a child for Baptism aged 7 or older, please email the Parish Office].

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The next Procession is on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July at  $4_{pm}$  followed by mass in Polish/English.

**MILE END NEWS:** Coffee Morning on **Sunday 7**th **July** after the 9:15am Mass at St Joseph's will be held at the Dog & Pheasant – All are most welcome.

MERSEA NEWS: The next Coffee Morning will be held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July from 10.30<sub>am</sub> til 12.30<sub>pm</sub> at the home of Margaret Kimberley, 3 Rosebank Road. All are most welcome

**HOUSE BLESSING:** Please contact the presbytery if you would like to arrange for Fr John to come to your home for a house blessing.

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT:** Please take a copy from the church porch.

**WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP:** The next Film showing is on Wednesday, **26**<sup>th</sup> **June**, with a **start time of 1.15**pm screening "A Man for All Seasons". Everyone is most welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments

ST JOHN'S ABBEY GATEHOUSE: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 11.<sub>am</sub> On the feast day of St John the Baptist (patron saint of the Benedictine Abbey), there will be a Mass said by Mgr. Chris Brooks at the Gatehouse. This will be the first Catholic Mass held on the site to celebrate the Saints day in 480 years and will be said in the room at the top of the Gatehouse. The room is reached by a twisting staircase and handrail. For those who can't use the stairs there will be prayers said downstairs under the archway and communion will be offered as well. The archway has four corbels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) which were retrieved from the site of the original Abbey and placed there in 1840. The frontage of the Gatehouse still has Our lady's lilies (a limestone design in the flint on the frontage) and the plinth with the Agnus Dei is still clearly visible. We feel very privileged to be able to hold this service so please do join us to celebrate this special event if you can.

CATENIANS PRESIDENT MASS: on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30<sub>am</sub>. The Catenians are an association of Catholic laymen who are committed to their Faith, their families, to those in need and to each other. "Our primary purpose is to establish a network of friends, which enhances their family life, strengthens their Faith and sustains them in difficult times. We support each other, the Catholic Church, young people and those in need."

**SUMMERTIME PEACE AND TRANQUILLITY FOR ADULTS:** enjoy a long weekend in the beautiful setting of Walsingham House at Abbotswick, on **either 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> August**. Fully catered, with daily Mass, Adoration, Morning and Evening prayer, as well as 14 acres of grounds in which to stroll, read, pray and reflect. For more details email <u>josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u>, call 01277 373959 or look at https://bcys.net/events/quiet-residential-retreats-adults-august-2019/

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE: Each year Bishop Alan celebrates this Mass particularly for those who are newly married or celebrating special anniversaries. This year the Mass is on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 3<sub>pm</sub>** in Brentwood Cathedral, with a reception afterwards. If you would like an invitation, please speak to your parish priest.

**HEALING SERVICE:** If you are feeling stressed, anxious, emotionally/psychologically broken or generally struggling with life, you are warmly invited to attend the English Martyrs' Healing Service from **6-8<sub>pm</sub> Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June** for emotional, psychological and spiritual healing. To register your attendance please email <a href="HealingService@English-Martyrs.com">HealingService@English-Martyrs.com</a> or contact Mandy on 0780 1470 516. English Martyrs RC Church, 240 Alma Ave, Hornchurch RM12 6BJ.

**COLCHESTER FOOD BANK:** As more working families turn to Foodbanks for assistance in feeding their families we would like to thank everyone who donates and kindly request that you please keep donating items of tinned/dry goods along with cleaning products & long life milk and fruit juices, squashes, hygiene & sanitary products, small multi-pack snacks, small washing powder/liquids, tea + coffee, peanut butter + jams. All goods are always greatly appreciated by those in need and remember these people in your prayers.

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

CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA: Monday 24th June: Team 3.