

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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2013

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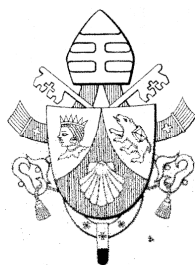
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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT [C]

Sunday – 24th February 2013

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Prayer for Pope Benedict XVI at the conclusion of his ministry as Bishop of Rome and Supreme Pontiff

Almighty ever-living God, who has given your faithful servant Benedict grace to maintain his faith and hope in you amid the labours of his apostolic ministry; graciously bestow upon him, we pray, the consolations of your Holy Spirit and uphold him in serenity of life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

CAFOD Lent Fast Day Collection this Weekend

On CAFOD Lent Fast Day, we're invited to share the abundance of God's creation with our sisters and brothers across the world. So let's hunger for a fairer world by supporting the CAFOD Collection today.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Please see *Mass Schedule* for ANY changes

Sunday 24 th	8:00pm	Ratzinger Reader	Crypt
Wednesday 27 th	6:45pm	Scripture Group	Crypt
Friday 1 st	12:00pm	Stations of the Cross	Church
	7:30pm	Stations of the Cross	Church
Saturday 2 nd	5:00pm	Lectio for Lent	Crypt
Sunday 3 rd	8:00pm	Ratzinger Reader	Crypt

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 8pm	Crypt
MEDITATION GROUP:	Tuesdays at 8pm	Crypt

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Anne Barry, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Ian Cole, Richard Cox, Stanley Crane, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Gianni Emoli, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Maurice Highfield, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Maria Mahy, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Paula Nash, Denis O'Neill, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Sabina Rhatigan, Patricia Roche, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Ron Wheeler, Tony White.

CASTLE CONCERT: Unfortunately the event has been cancelled due to logistical problems. Please bring your tickets to the church office for refund.

2nd COLLECTIONS: There will be a collection for CAFOD Lent Fast Day this weekend 23-24th February. On the 9-10th March there will be a collection for the Parish Development Fund. On the 16-17th March there will be a collection for Easter Flowers; Priory St Only.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday in Lent at 12 noon, followed by soup and bread in the Crypt - in aid of the Colchester Soup Run. Donations welcome.

EVENING STATIONS OF THE CROSS: This Friday 1st March at Priory St - 7:30pm.

POLISH – ENGLISH STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Tuesdays at 7pm – Priory Street

MASS FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER: An additional Mass will be held at 12:15 on Thursday 28th February, the last day of the Holy Father's reign, at St James the Less and St Helen. This will be followed by Exposition with Benediction at 1:30pm.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM): Will welcome their new members at the 10am Mass on Sunday 10th March. They are also celebrating their 4th anniversary.

THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST: A showing of this powerful film in the crypt would be a good way to help prepare for Easter. To gauge interest, please respond to Fr Neil indicating whether you would like it from 5:00 to 7:00 pm on Good Friday, on Easter Saturday afternoon or at some other time.

MERSEA NEWS: Women's World Day of Prayer will take place at the Methodist Church, Mill Road on Friday 1st March at 2pm. Everyone is most welcome.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER COLCHESTER: Will be held at Castle Methodist Church, Maidenborough Street on Friday 1st March at 10:15am.

RATZINGER READER: there will be two additional sessions on Sunday nights at 8:00pm in the Crypt at St James to complete Volume I of *Jesus of Nazareth*. Please see the notice boards for further details.

LECTIO FOR LENT: Next 2nd March at 5 – 6 pm in the Crypt. This consists of a reflective reading of the scriptures for the following Sunday – with silence and prayer.

LENT DAY OF REFLECTION: 'Behold the Lamb of God' Saturday 23rd March in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. 11:30am – 3pm. Poster in porch.

FILIPINO MASS: There will be a Filipino Mass on Sunday 3rd March 5pm at Priory St.

FILIPINO PILGRIMAGE: There will be a Filipino Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Sunday 24th March. Please see poster in porch for full details or contact Amy / Armando on 01206 854 921.

THE FRIENDS OF PERU: Would like to thank everyone who supported the Beetle Drive last Saturday, which raised £230 for the mission in Peru.

CALLING DOWNTON ABBEY FANS: The SVP have secured an option on tickets for a visit to Highclere Castle on Sunday 18th August. Price £41 which includes coach travel with an opportunity to explore the House and Gardens. £10 deposit by 4th February please. To book phone Judy on 07970408707 or see an SVP member.

CHRISM MASS & WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE – NEED A LIFT? Theresa Higgins is organising a minibus for those who wish to go to the Chrism Mass at Brentwood Cathedral and the Brentwood Pilgrimage to Walsingham. T: 797411

CANONESSES OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE: As part of their 370th anniversary celebration – the Canonesses are holding a celebration of their history – past and present at Castle Methodist Church, Maidenburgh Street on 1-2nd March. Some of the community will be present throughout the day. More details from posters in porch or www.canonesses.co.uk

ECUMENICAL STUDY DAY: The third Study Day to mark the Year of Faith will consider 'Vatican II and the Bible'. It will be given by Fr Adrian Graffy at Brentwood Cathedral Hall on Saturday 9th March from 10.30 until 3 p.m. Please book your place by email to cef@dioceseofbrentwood.org or by phoning 01277 265 289.

ST PATRICK'S NIGHT: Saturday March 16th. Join us for live Irish music, singing and dancing. Menu: home made honey roast gammon, mustard mash and dessert. Vegetarian option available. Bring your own drinks. Tickets £10 adult, children (5-12 yrs) £5. Available from Francis T: 369 568 and Nora T: 504 310.

WAY OF THE CROSS: The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service are planning to re-enact John Paul II's Way of the Cross in conjunction with Chelmsford Cathedral Youth Ministry. This will take place on 24th March at 2pm Starting at Chelmsford Cathedral. There will be a meeting on 26th February 7.30pm in the conference room at Brentwood cathedral for any Young People aged 11-25 who wish to be involved. Parishioners are also invited to come and support this event if they are able. Please see poster in porch for more details.

HIGH STREET CLOSURE: From Sunday March 17th – for a year, it is proposed to close the High Street to cars from 11:00am – 6:00pm each day. We will be able to get to Mass on a Sunday and we will leave the Saturday evening Mass at the usual time of 6:15pm.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 28th February – Team 4

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT [C]

24th February 2013

Saturday February 23rd 6:15 pm Tommy Close RIP

Mile End

6:00 pm **KERALA MASS**

Sunday February 24th

8:00 am Sissy O'Conner RIP

10:30 am Ints: Frances Galvin

2:00 pm **POLISH MASS**

6:30 pm George Thompson RIP

8:30 am Emma Williams RIP

9:15 am Parishioners

10:15 am Miss Rita Wright RIP

West Mersea

Mile End

Monkwick

Monday 25th

Feria

Church

7:30 am Ints: Carolyn Dean & Family

Church

9:15 am Mrs Nina Mary O'Dwyer RIP

Tuesday 26th

Feria

Church

9:15 am Cath Edwards RIP

Wednesday 27th

Feria

Church

7:30 am Ints: Margaret McCormack

Church

12:15 pm Ints: Tony White

Thursday 28th

Feria

Church

9:15 am Canon John Bloomfield RIP

Church

12:15 pm For the intentions of the Holy Father

Friday 1st

ST DAVID, Bp, Patron of Wales

Church

9:15 am Mrs B Fawley RIP

Church

6:30 pm In Thanksgiving [AC]

Saturday 2nd

Feria

Church

9:15 am Holy Souls RIP

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT [C]

4th March 2013

Saturday March 2nd

6:15 pm Sr Helen Walsh RIP

Sunday March 3rd

8:00 am Nancy Dwyer RIP

10:30 am Clare Adams RIP

2:00 pm **POLISH MASS**

6:30 pm Peter & Patricia Pryke RIP

8:30 am Matt, Eddie & Pat Hogan RIP

9:15 am Alfredo Sagnella RIP

10:15 am Joan Boyden & Vivienne Wright RIP [TW]

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

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