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WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) – 25th May

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Please remember our First Communicants today: Isabel Amora, Sean Atanacio, Sam Davies, Erin dela Cruz, Emeric Escobedo, Shaun Etrata, Caitlin Feakes, Querrizha Gonzales, Madeleine Haigherty, Olivia Ledwidge, Jessica Low, Phoebe Low, Edward Martin, Anthony Menya, Freya Millward, Glenn Naol, Glynnis Naol, Udeaku Okonkwo, Katharine Pembroke, Nolan Pereira, Finley Reid, Mark Russell, Randaldo Secreto, Anne Sunega, Camille Viel, Alexandwe Wampamba, Antonio Yebenes-Arrieta.

BAPTISM: Betsy Evelyn Osborne will be baptized at the Saturday evening Mass when her sister, Eileen, and brothers, Michael and Rowan will make their First Holy Communion. God bless these children and congratulations to their family.

DIVINE MERCY AND ROSARY: Today the Divine Mercy and Rosary Prayers will start at 3:15. Perhaps you might join us to pray for our parish and the world. We will, of course, be praying for the young people who will be receiving Our Blessed Lord under the appearance of bread and wine for the first time this weekend.

RAMSGATE PILGRIMAGE: Tomorrow, Monday May 26th, St Augustine of Canterbury. We will celebrate the arrival of the saint on these shores with a pilgrimage to Ramsgate and the national shrine located near to Pegwell Bay where the monks landed in 597. We leave St James at 8 in time to join the procession of the relic along the Royal Esplanade and then sung Mass with Bishop Schneider. As last year we hope to have prayers at St. Mildrid's in the afternoon. Please sign up in the porch or contact the priests if you would like to come. Drivers very welcome. Back by 6:45.

WILLESDEN PILGRIMAGE: Saturday 31st May. May is the month of Our Lady, and we will mark it with a pilgrimage to a new shrine for us, that of Our Lady of Willesden. It is an ancient holy place, there having been veneration of Our Lady there since the 10th century. St. Thomas More made his last visit in 1534 shortly before his imprisonment. The renewed statue, made from a tree from the original site, was crowned in the Marian Year 1954. We leave St James at 8:15 to catch the train. There is a short walk from Willesden Junction. After Rosary and Confession, High Mass is at 12 and the Procession at 3. Sandwiches and drinks will be provided at lunch time in the hall for a donation. Please sign up in the porch or contact the priests if you would like lunch. Back by 6:30.

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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, Emma Cooper, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Jeanette Dagwell, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, Bert Hewitt, Norah Hewitt, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Ronald Jay, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Declan Knight, Irma Knowles, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Colleen Mercas, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Sabina Rhatigan, Douglas Rogers, Carley Saunders, Catherine Spicer, Ida Twynham, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

***PRAYER GROUP:** No Meeting tomorrow-Bank Holiday. Please note that as from June 2nd, Meetings will start at 7:45pm.

CHANGES TO MASS TIMES THIS WEEK: As you will see from the Schedule overleaf, although Monday is a Bank Holiday, because of the Pilgrimage to Ramsgate Mass will still be at 7:30am. However, the later Mass will be at 10am as is usual on a Bank Holiday. Mass on Wednesday has been brought forward to 9:30am because of Clergy meetings. Hospital Mass this Friday at 12 noon. [The Hospital Chapel is adjacent to Wivenhoe Ward and all are very welcome].

MONKWICK NEWS: Our first Coffee Morning this year takes place on Saturday, 31st May at St Theodore's between 10am and 12 noon. It will be hosted by Mary Davies and Christine Millington and all are welcome

KSC ANNUAL DAY OF PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD PRIORY: Sunday 8th June. Cost: £13 for adults for the coach; half price for children; very young children free. Coach leaving East Hill at 9am and pick up also from London Rd., Stanway and High Street, Witham. Bring a packed lunch or there is a restaurant on site. To book, please contact Stewart Taylor on 01206 271606 or 0754829333 OR Justin Nathan on 07845 392684 or 01206 241317.

UNUSED MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS? Do you have a musical instrument gathering dust in a drawer or cupboard, once used by you or your children, but no more? At St Teresa's, Basildon, children are working with classical musician James Rhodes to form a school orchestra. Could you donate your instrument? Please contact Fr Dominic Howarth, 01268 281732, or email frdominic@basildoncatholics.org. We will pay postage or arrange a pick up, and your instrument will be put to very good use – it could truly transform the life of one of our children, as they discover new talents. Thank you.

DEANERY MUSIC DAY: Following the very successful Deanery Music Day last year at St Monica's in Wivenhoe, a Music Day has been arranged again this year and will be hosted by St Teresa's, Lexden, on the 28th June. This event is open to all, not just the music group; for example, children learning instruments. Tea and coffee will be provided but participants are asked to bring a packed lunch. For full details, please contact Lesley on 01206 512310.

SVP WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: 6th July. Coach departs from Ipswich Road Colchester at 8:30am and from East Hill at 8:45am. *PLEASE BE PROMPT.* Tickets £12. Limited availability, so if you have not already confirmed your place, please call 01206 841236 as soon as possible. Thank you.

KSC SPONSORED WALK IN AID OF BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: If you sponsored this event and have still pay, please hand moneys to a member of the KSC or post through the presbytery letter box in an envelope suitably marked; either way as soon as possible. Thank you.

100 CLUB – NOT A MEMBER YET?: Why not join, with the chance of winning monthly cash prizes? Cost: only £8 for the rest of 2014. For details, please call John Sales on 01206 795623 or 07854 430957. E mail john.sales1@ntlworld.com

MERSEA NEWS: Many thanks to Pauline Aspinall for hosting the first coffee morning of the year and thanks to all those who came. Our June coffee morning will be at the home of Margaret Williams, 28 Coast Road, on Tuesday, 10th June, starting at 10:30am. Hope to see you all there.

UCM FAMILY PICNIC: On Sunday 15th June from 12:30pm. Meet at Castle Bailey, Upper Castle Park. All parishioners are welcome.

FILIPINO FAMILY EVENING 21st June in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. From 7:30 – 10:30pm. Filipino buffet with veg options. Tickets £8, children 5 to 12 yrs £4, under 5 is free. Tickets available now – please ring Armando / Amy 854 921. All proceeds to church funds.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday June 5th – Team 1.

DIARY DATE FOR 2015: *In the Footsteps of Jesus:* The first Full Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land takes place from the **1st to 9th July 2015.** Visit the sites in Jerusalem and Galilee, as well as visits to Christian Communities to see and hear about what is really happening in their lives. Detailed itinerary to follow soon. Cost £1595. It looks to be a wonderful and exciting pilgrimage. Please contact Fr Paul Fox at St Mary's, Hornchurch, on 01708 447761 or email hornchurchstmmg@dioceseofbrentwood.org

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) – 25th May

Saturday May 24	6:00	KERALA MASS
<i>End</i>	pm	
	6:15	Richard Lambe RIP
<i>Church</i>	pm	
Sunday May 25th	8:00	Roger Thurlow RIP [PG]
	am	
	10:30	Anna Norfolk RIP
	am	
1st HOLY COMMUNIONS	2:00	Intentions of Children & their Families
	pm	

	4:00	POLISH MASS
	pm	
	6:30	Anna Norfolk RIP [TD]
	pm	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30	Molly Hefford RIP [M&AB]
	am	
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15	Gunvor Edwards RIP
	am	
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15	Parishioners
	am	

Monday 26th	St Philip Neri, Pr	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am
	<i>Church</i>	10:00 am
		Rev L Matthews RIP
		In Thanksgiving [JH]

<u>N.B.</u>		
Tuesday 27th	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bp	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am
		Anna Norfolk RIP [SVP]

Wednesday 28th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	7:30 am
	<i>Church</i>	9:30 am
		Anna Norfolk RIP [PG]
		In Thanksgiving [S Family]

	<u>N.B.</u>	
Thursday 29th	Feria	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am
		Roger Thurlow RIP [DC]

Friday 30th	VISITATION OF THE B.V.M.	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am
	<i>Chapel</i>	12:00 pm
	<i>Church</i>	6:30 pm
		Anna Norfolk RIP [R Family]
		Intentions of Patients and Parishioners
		D/Rels: Herbert & Richards Family

<u>C.G.H.</u>		
Saturday 31st	DEDICATION OF BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL	
	<i>Church</i>	9:15 am
		Michael Treby RIP

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD [A] – JUNE 1st

Saturday May 31st	6:15	Lionel Wood RIP
	pm	
Sunday June 1st	8:00	Henry Stewart RIP
	am	
	10:30	Reginald Hammond RIP
	am	
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30	Roger Thurlow RIP
	pm	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30	John Cawley RIP [MC]
	am	
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15	Gerry Coyle RIP [UC]
	am	
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:	Irene Smith RIP [PC]
	15am	

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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