THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday October 24th 6:15 pm Annie Fitzgibbon RIP

Sunday September 25th 8:00 am Helen Joseph, Raymond & Julien Hoareau RIP

> 10:30 am Stanley Crane RIP 2:00 pm **POLISH MASS** 4:00 pm **FILIPINO MASS**

6:30 pm Parishioners

West Mersea 8:30 am D/Rels: Rafferty Family RIP

Mile End 9:15 am Edward Lenton RIP Monkwick 10:15 am Pat Emmerson RIP

Monday 26th St Cedd, Bp, Secondary Co-Patron of the Diocese

Bridget and Michael Brady RIP Church 9:15 am

9:30 am Mersea Parishioners Mersea

Tuesday 27th Feria

> Church 9:15 am Intentions: Cristefa Poblador

Wednesday 28th

Feria Church

9:15 am Baby Joshua Walker RIP

Sabina Rhatigan RIP 12:15 pm Church

Thursday 29th Ss Simon & Jude, Bp

> Church 9:15 am In Thanksgiving [SF]

Friday 30th Feria

Church

9:15 am Mr T M Sebastian RIP

N.B. Intentions of Assumption Vernet CGH **Chapel** 12:00 pm

Saturday 31st Feria

> Church 9:15 am **Parishioners**

ALL SAINTS - HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

Saturday October 31st 6:15 pm Roger Thurlow RIP Sunday November 1st 8:00 am Teresa Hall RIP 10:30 am Peace in Nigeria 2:00 pm **POLISH MASS** 6:30 pm Alphonse Knapp RIP 8:30 am West Mersea Anthony McCarthy RIP

Mile End 9:15 am Compton Pooran RIP 10:15 am Monkwick Catherine Spicer RIP [MD]

> SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 9:45-10:30am and 5:30-6:00pm **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE** At least six months notice is required

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My dear friends,

On Thursday we celebrated the Feast of St John Paul II. On that day, we were able to place the relic in the new cabinet that has been erected in the area near the Piéta statue. The relic is a particle of the Saint's blood upon a piece of cloth and was sent to the Parish by the Cardinal Archbishop of Krakow last year. It was formally received into the Parish by Bishop Alan when he came to visit us last Advent.

This area of the church enables us to see the Piéta, which is a memorial to those who died during the First World War, and which is very much in our thoughts during these centenary years. A new confessional has also been erected. There are a few more finishing touches to be done to that part of the church. Petitions to St John Paul can be placed in the container at the back of the church and they are prayed for during the 3pm Rosary on the third Sunday of the month, when the relic is placed on the altar.

This weekend we will have the retiring collection for the APF [Association for the Propagation of the Faith postponed from last Sunday. This collection supports mission projects throughout the world that rely very much on our financial help. The Holy Father drew particular attention the emerging Church in Mongolia.

We are very near to the month of November and you will find envelopes at the back of church for you to list all those deceased loved ones you wish to be remembered during Holy Souls Day and throughout the month of November. Please hand them in at the Presbytery or via the "diplomatic bags".

May God bless you all,

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; Percy Abrahams, Pat Banks, Brian Bagioni, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, John & Olive Crawford, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Tony Ferrick Charlie George, Bill Graves, Jim Harvey, John Harvey, Bert Hewitt, Maurice Highfield, David Hill, Jan Holden, Ronald Jay, Julie Jefferies, Athene Jones, Pat Keene, Marie Kent, Patrick King, John Lawlor, Peter Ledgley, Joanne Leon, Mirella Leonardi, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Merces, David Merryman, Byron Miller, Olive Newland, Margaret Norman, Charles Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Stephen Rhatigan, Chris Sands, Margaret Scammell, Maureen Sheeran, Aimée Stammers, Fiona Stephenson, Colleen Thurlow, Filomena Velasquez, Mary Wallace, Colin Whittle, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maura Tredgett who has recently died. Her funeral will take place on Monday, November 2nd, at 1pm, at St Cedd's. May she rest in peace and we pray for the comfort of her bereaved family. The funeral of Sabina Rhatigan took place last week in Claremorris, Co. Mayo. May she rest in peace.

BAPTISM TODAY: We welcome into the church family through the Sacrament of Baptism Jacob Crowhurst. God bless this child and congratulations to his family.

HAVE YOU COLLECTED THE BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE FOR YOUR CHILD?: There are many Baptismal Certificates going back to 2011, including duplicates which have been requested but never collected. Please collect when you come to Mass, or contact the Parish Office on a **Tuesday between 10am and 2pm** to arrange to pick them up. Thank you.

NOT YET BAPTISED?; Children aged between 6 – 15 years who wish to be baptized are invited to attend a meeting in the Crypt on Saturday, 24th October between 11am and 12 noon.

BAZAAR MEETING IN THE CRYPT TODAY AFTER 10:30 MASS: Bottles, cans of drink requested. Please place in black bins provided in church porch.

ST THOMAS MORE PRIMARY SCHOOL 2016-17 INTAKE: Any parent wishing to apply for a place at St Thomas More's School must complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) in addition to the Local Authority Application Form. SIFs are available to download on the school's website www.stthomasmores.co.uk under the admissions tab or by contacting the office on 01206 865722. You will also need a Certificate of Practice. Dates

when Father Tony will be signing these will be published in due course.

MERSEA NEWS: The patronal feast of St Cedd on the Monday, 26th October will be celebrated with Mass at 9:30am. The Mersea annual parish meeting will follow the Mass

RCIA [JOURNEY OF FAITH] MEETING: On Thursdays in the Crypt from 7:30pm.

FILM SEASON: On Monday the 26th October at 7pm in the Crypt, we plan to show two short DVDs with a refreshment break in the middle. The first will be; Prayer - A Surge of the Heart- and after the break –The Last Things. This showing will be repeated on Wednesday at 1.30pm . Please come along to enrich your faith and enjoy good fellowship. All are welcome.

K.S.C ROSARY CRUSADE: The Rosary will be said here at St James the Less this Tuesday 27th October, at 7:30pm,bringing this October Rosary Crusade to a conclusion. All are very welcome.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS [UCM] EVENT: Charity Talk by Mick and Christine Lavelle about their trip to Africa during the summer. It will be held on Saturday, 7th November, 5:30pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. The entry is £3 for adults and children free.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Applications are invited for the 24 hours per week post of Parish Administrator at St James the Less & St Helen, Priory Street. Candidates must be skilled in the use of Word, Excel, and Databases with a proven track record in administration/finance/all aspects of Health & Safety and maintenance issues. Absolute integrity and discretion are essential, together with the ability to work under pressure. For a full Job Description etc., please contact Fr Tony. The closing date for applications is **Friday, 6th November 2015.**

CRSS VACANCY: The Trustees of the Charity of The Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre (www.canonesses.co.uk) are looking for a part time Compliance Coordinator for their Charity. This role will support the Trustees in different aspects of their responsibility, including: Care of Property, Reviewing and updating policies and procedures, Safeguarding and other matters of Compliance. Flexible working hours of around 40 hours a month. Salary negotiable. For more information and to request an application form email crssuk@canonesses.co.uk Closing date 16 November 2015.

FROM NAZARETH TO BETHLEHEM: a day to mark Advent with joyful reflection and prayer. Saturday 12th November from 11am to 3pm. Further details to come.

ADVENT TALKS AT CATHEDRAL HOUSE: Saturday 5th December 2015 - **Bishop Alan Williams, SM** – Theme: The Advent Journey. Cathedral House, Brentwood. 9.15am – 12.00pm. Saturday 12th December 2015 - **Bishop Emeritus Thomas McMahon** – Theme: The Seven Bells to Bethlehem. Cathedral House, Brentwood. 9.15am – 12.00pmlf you would like to register a place for both or either of these talks please contact: Lisa Gunther at lisagunther@dioceseofbrentwood.org or on 01277 265285.

FRIENDS OF PERU: Thank you very much to all those who supported the 40's NIGHT. A very successful evening which raised £800, all of which will go to the Sisters of Mercy in Peru.

SECOND COLLECTIONS TOTALS: Home Mission Sunday £647.87; CAFOD Family Fast Day £1622.97. Thank you very much.

DESPERATELY REQUIRED: Reliable and committed volunteers to help with cleaning the Church. Please contact Helena on 01206 794636 [mornings before mid-day]. **CLEANERS' ROTA:** October 29th – Team 3.