THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)					
Saturday 25th	Monkwick	$5.00 \; pm$	Raymond O'Neill RIP		
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Church	$8.00 \ \text{am}$	Parishioners		
	Church	$10.30 \ \text{am}$	James, Mary & John Galvin RIP		
	Church	$2.00 \; pm$	Polish Mass		
	Church	6.30 pm	Mrs. Antonina Piras RIP		
	West Mersea	$8.30 \ am$	Private intention (Banks)		
	Mile End	9.30 am	Ints. Donor (E.E)		
Monday 27th			Feria		
T ooth	Church	9.30 am	Bridget Lloyd		
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Church	9.30 am	St Irenaeus, Bp, M Ints: Christine Nock		
	West Mersea		Private Intention		
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>		8.00 pm			
wednesday 29	Church	9.30 am	SS PETER AND PAUL, App		
	Church		Ints: Patricia Pearce		
	Church	12.15 pm	Private Intention		
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Church	7.30 pm	Private Intention		
inursuay 30 <sup></sup>	Church	0.20	Feria		
Eridov 1St July	Church	9.30 am	Floid Dela Pena RIP Feria		
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Church	9.30 am			
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Charch	9.30 am	Terry White RIP  Memorial of Blessed Virgin Mary		
Oaturday 2	Church	9.30 am	Thanksgiving (BJ)		
			AY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)		
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Monkwick	5.00 pm	Special Intention John Dolamore RIP		
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Church	8.00 am	Wolfgang Warschle RIP		
	Church	10.30 am	Parishioners		
	Church	$2.00 \; \text{pm}$	Polish Mass		
	Church	$4.00 \; \text{pm}$	Filipino Mass		
	Church	$6.30 \; \text{pm}$	Fr Philip Willenbrock RIP		
	West Mersea	$8.30 \ \text{am}$	Penny Banks RIP		
	Mile End	$9.30 \ am$	Private Intention		

- For Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, please email or contact our parish office.
- Marriage Preparation: Please be aware that 6 months' notice of intention for Marriage is required especially if marrying outside the Parish. Couples who are planning to get married should contact us at least 6 months in advance. Thank you.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Saturdays after 9.30<sub>am</sub> Mass (Priory Street) and after 5.00<sub>pm</sub> Mass (Monkwick).
- Mass Intentions. Envelopes are available in Church Porch and are situated either side of Church entrance, please complete envelope & drop through presbytery door. A suggested minimum stipend is £10 per Mass. The Mass Intention will be published in the newsletter (available on the parish website or via Facebook or collection from Church).
- Colchester General Hospital: If you would like to arrange for a priest to visit a Catholic relative in hospital, please contact the presbytery direct on (01206 866317).

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# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) WEEK COMMENCING 26™ JUNE 2022

To ask for God's blessings to follow us is an easy prayer, effortless and attractive. However, to follow the God of the blessings and be a true disciple well that whole different matter that brings with it an even greater blessing. To be a disciple is an invitation to all, heard by some and heeded by fewer still. Yes, a free gift we could never earn, it nonetheless it comes at a great cost! To follow God we must be willing to let Him lead! Firstly, like Christ we must have our faces resolutely fixed on the destination. Taking time in our prayer to fix our eyes on the New Jerusalem, Heaven our homeland is essential for discipleship. By doing this we cultivate our love for Jesus. It is this love that Jesus draws out in today's Gospel when he tells His first admirer that discipleship will not be a bed of roses the Son of Man has no place to lay his head. We may well have to say goodbye to pleasures and comforts to truly follow Christ. To the second admirer who wants to bury his Father, Jesus says the call of love is accepting of no delay the time to follow is now and to the third person who wants to say goodbye to their family Jesus insists, the direction of discipleship is forward ever, backward never. Ultimately, we can only be saved by the grace that gives us both the internal desire and capacity to follow Jesus promptly, generously and joyfully.

Fr. Paschal

#### PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

DAILY (Mon-Fri)	Rosary/Divine Mercy	at 8.45 am
DAILY	Morning Prayer	at 9.15 am
<b>CHRISTIAN MEDITATION</b>	Wednesdays (Cardinal Bourne Hall)	at 8.00 pm
ADORATION & PRAYER	Thursdays	at 7.00 nm



THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JUNE for Families We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

MARRIAGE MATTERS: (Kings 19:16, 19-21; Galatians 5:1, 13-18; Luke 9:51-62) We are called to life in all its fullness. St Paul says "when Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free". We are free to think, to choose and to act. Have we chosen to work out our salvation within our marriage? Our ongoing challenge is to live now and to CHOOSE LIFE in all its fullness, to stamp out self-indulgence and embrace the true freedom of love.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We continue to pray for those parishioners we know who are sick and housebound especially Elizabeth Pace, Hilda Morah, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Jim Lynas, Maureen R. We pray for all persons who are ill or have contracted Covid-19 and their families.

**REQUIEM MASS FOR FR PHILIP:** This will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30<sub>am</sub> followed by a reception in Cardinal Bourne Hall. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

**COLUMBAN MISSION APPEAL:** A warm welcome to Frs. Tom Ryan and Patrick O'Beirne. They will be visiting us this weekend and will describe the work of the Columban Missionaries; A special collection will be taken to aid their mission work.

**NEXT 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION:** will be for Peter's Pence on 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

**2022 RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): RCIA is the process developed by the Catholic Church for those who are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith, teachings and practices with a view to becoming Catholics, or for those who have a background in the Catholic Faith but who have not yet been confirmed, or for anyone who wants to refresh their knowledge of the Catholic Faith.

An Initial meeting will be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 7<sub>pm</sub> in the Church. Thank You

**CONFIRMATION GROUP PHOTOGRAPH:** A photo was taken of the Confirmation group after the 10.30 mass on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June. If you would like a copy please contact Brian Porter on 07906 162852 or email <a href="mailto:brianfidel@yahoo.co.uk">brianfidel@yahoo.co.uk</a>

**CHURCH CHOIR:** The next Choir Practice will take place on Saturday 02/07/22 at 12.30<sub>pm</sub> Please contact Claire for more details on 07482253284. **New Members always welcome.** 

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The next Procession is on Wednesday  $13^{th}$  July at  $6.30_{pm}$  followed by mass in Polish + Rosary.

**GOING FORTH MASS** on  $10^{th}$  July at  $10.30_{am}$ , followed by light refreshments in hall afterwards

**CHURCH FINANCES:** Parishioners may remember the parish was left a substantial legacy some time ago. The estate has now been finalised and the parish has received the bulk of the money, just over £200,000. This should be considered a capital receipt, not for day-to-day expenditure. We need to give some thought as to what to do with it, parishioners will of course be consulted.

**RECEPTION FOR FR PHILIP**: Frances will be organising the catering for the funeral reception for Fr Philip in Cardinal Bourne Hall. We are asking if parishioners can 'donate a plate' of sandwiches, nibbles, etc for the finger buffet, please speak to Frances 369568.

**FOOTBALL MATCH:** a 5-A side Over 17's and U' 17s football match St James vs St Theresa's will be taking place on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July 2<sub>pm</sub> at St Theresa's, players and supporters are welcome. Fmail to find out more.

**BCYS YOUTH MASS**,  $7^{th}$  July from  $6_{pm}$  at Brentwood Cathedral – join us for Pizza in the Parish Hall at  $6_{pm}$ , followed by a Music Workshop in the Cathedral led by Art Wangcharoensab of the Cathedral Music Dept. Singers, instrumentalists and young people (roughly year 9+) are all very welcome, whether you wish to join in or simply watch and listen! Mass will begin in the Cathedral at  $7:30_{pm}$ , celebrated by Fr Damien Wade. All info can be found on our website  $\underline{www.bcys.net/events}$ 

**VINCENTIAN VOLUNTEERS** are Catholic young people aged 18-35, from all over the world, who commit a year of their lives to the service of vulnerable people. During their year with us, they live in a community of three or four people and engage in voluntary work in partnership with other, well known charity organisations in order to help the impoverished, the homeless, the disabled, refugees and those suffering with addictions within the local community. We are still recruiting for 2022/23 (September 2022 to July 2023) for more details visit <a href="https://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk/">https://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk/</a>

**RELIC IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** visits Our Lady of Canvey Island on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Please see poster in Church for itinerary. All welcome to attend.

**SAINT BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR 2022.** This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them. Diocese of Brentwood - Cathedral of St Mary and St Helen: 28 Ingrave Road, Brentwood, CM15 8AT. Arrive: 16/10/2022 - 10:00 - Depart: 17/10/2022 -12:00

**CARITAS BRENTWOOD:** *Helping those in the Ukraine, and Ukrainian Refugees.* Caritas Brentwood are regularly updating information on their website, covering donations, prayer, and welcoming those who are fleeing the Ukraine. You will find everything at: <a href="https://www.caritasbrentwood.org/ukraine/">https://www.caritasbrentwood.org/ukraine/</a>

**WALSINGHAM HOUSE TEAM 2022/23:** Just finished A-levels or Uni? Aged 18-22? Interested in working with young people? Join the Walsingham House Team 2022/23 for an amazing Gap Year opportunity starting September 2022. Details on <a href="https://www.bcys.net">www.bcys.net</a> or contact Joseph Beattie – phone 01277 373959 or email <a href="mailto:josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org">josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org</a>

**YEAR OF THE FAMILY**: The 10<sup>th</sup> World Meeting of Families is taking place in Rome this coming week, with a programme of talks and liturgies, which will be live-streamed via Vatican media channels. Our Diocese is marking the close of the Year of the Family at the annual Mass for Marriage and Family Life in July, which Bishop Alan will offer for the intentions of all families in the Diocese. If would like a particular intention to be placed before the altar at this Mass, you will find more info about the World Meeting of Families: <a href="https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/marriage-family-life">https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/marriage-family-life</a>

- > Cardinal Bourne Hall Bookings: colchester@dioceseofbrentwood.org
- > SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society): Tel: 07493 439427/email: colchestersvp@gmail.com

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM: Monday 27/06/22: Team 3 / Monday 04/07/22: Team 4 CBH COFFEE MORNING ROTA: 26/06/22: SVP / 03/07/22: Matthew & Mariamma



WE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE TODAY. FOR PEACE AND THE LAYING DOWN OF WEAPONS.

