

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C] – 27th October 2013

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My dear friends

May I wish everyone a happy half-term holiday during this week. As we come towards the end of October and journey deep into the autumn, we come to the month of November and the celebration of All Saints Day and All Souls.

All Saints Day (Friday November 1st) there will be Masses at 7:30am, 9:15am, 12:15pm and 7:30pm. There will also be a Vigil Mass at 7:30pm at Mersea the evening before.

All Souls Day (Saturday November 2nd) is a special day of prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory and there will be three Masses for the faithful departed at 7:30am, 9:15am and 12:15pm.

Prayer for the Holy Souls is the special intention for November and if you would like to write out the names of your faithful departed to form our November List, there are envelopes available today. Hand them in to the Presbytery and all mentioned will be specially remembered during all our Masses and prayers during that month.

We continue to enjoy the company in the Presbytery of Fr Zbigniew Zybala from Poland, who is here to learn more and more about England and our parish life. Also, Fr Afonso Seixas Nunes SJ, who is staying with us while he pursues his studies at Essex University. He is a very good cook, for which all at 51 are very grateful.

May God bless you all.

Fr Tony McKentey

Please see Mass Schedule for ANY changes

SUNDAYS: 3pm	Divine Mercy followed by Rosary
DAILY: 8:35am	Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy
EVENING PRAYER: Church	Fridays at 6pm
PRAYER GROUP: Crypt	Mondays at 8pm
MEDITATION GROUP: Crypt	Tuesdays at 8pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK (new entries are in bold type): Please remember in your prayers, Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Rosaleen Campbell, Ian Cole, Val Crane, Olive Crawford, Russell (Edward) Crook, **Amy Daggitt**, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Christine Farrell, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, Bert Hewitt, **Norah Hewitt**, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Ronald Jay, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Declan Knight, Mirella Leonardi, Val Ling, Maria Mahy, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Margaret Norman, Leah Patterson, Piotr Ploskonka, **Jacqui Plowright** Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Sabina Rhatigan, **Douglas Rogers**, Carley Saunders, The Sharfraie Family, Catherine Spicer, Arthur Urquhart, Filomena Velasquez, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Stanley Crane, Alphonse Knapp and Yolanda Tilling. May they rest in peace. Yolanda's Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 7th November 12 noon at Priory St. The Requiem Mass of Mr Knapp took place on Friday. The Requiem Mass for Stanley Crane will be on Friday 8th November.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND: Isabella Elworthy-Knapp, Ram-Lewis Lingayo. God bless these children and congratulations to their families.

SECOND COLLECTION: Many thanks for your generosity to last week's collection for World Mission Day. Over £700 has been raised.

CHRISTMAS MARKET: November 29th and 30th. This week we are requesting bottles and cans, i.e. Wine, Beer, Whisky etc. Soft drinks also welcome.

SVP: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 30th October in the Crypt at 10.00am. **Please note change of time for all future meetings.**

MERSEA NEWS: Our Christmas Fayre is being held at the Church on Saturday 23rd of November - looking forward to seeing you all there.

CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION AT ITS BEST! You're invited to be part of a life-changing Catholic Bible tour that will rekindle your love for the Faith! Catholic speaker, author, and theologian Jeff Cavins will be embarking on a six city Bible and Evangelization Tour delivering his most powerful and popular talks for the first time in England. Each of Jeff's topics will touch on key aspects of our beautiful and rich Catholic faith leaving you with a greater understanding of the Scriptures and a deeper relationship with Christ. You will be able to both share and live your faith more fully. Nearest talks for us at Colchester are: Friday

November 15th at 7:00pm, St Patrick's Soho Square and Saturday November 16th 10:00am – 4:00pm, Westminster Cathedral Hall. Further details in the porch. BOOKING ADVISED: catholicbibletour.com/schedule

WHERE DO YOU TAKE THE LOVE OF CHRIST AFTER MASS? Why not try to volunteer on a Sunday from 4:30pm till 7pm at Colchester Night Shelter and help them prepare a Sunday roast for the homeless residents? It's quite simple, very rewarding and you won't be working alone. Please contact Pernille on 01206 549885

ARE YOU INVOLVED IN PARISH MINISTRY?: In response to demand, the diocese have prepared a course called "Willing to Serve" which will run over 2 terms in Spring and Summer 2014. The course is intended for those who work in the various ministries in our parish and who wish to deepen their knowledge and develop their skills in lay ministry. The course requires commitment on all levels and will take place in Brentwood on alternate Tuesday evenings and some Saturdays. Areas include: Theology of Ministry, Growth in self-awareness, Spiritual Formation, Liturgical Formation, Pastoral Formation, Catechesis, Bereavement, Basic theological foundation in Church & Sacraments, Documents of Vatican Two, Scripture etc. Please contact Fr Tony if you are interested. More details available from the parish office.

THE WHY? COURSE: The next session Why Christ? Will be on Monday and is repeated on Friday and Saturday. The session is in two parts: a DVD presentation lasting half an hour followed by a break for refreshments and then an opportunity to explore in more depth the issues raised with the help of a beautifully-produced course book. Estimate 1½ hours for the whole of each unit.

Part 2: Why Christ?	Monday 4 th Nov 10:00am	Friday 8 th Nov 7:30pm	Saturday 9 th Nov 11:00am
Part 3: Why the Church?	Monday 11 th Nov 10:00am	Friday 15 th Nov 7:30pm	Saturday 16 th Nov 11:00am

THE RATZINGER READER: Why not make a genuine preparation for Christmas this year instead of the usual mince pies, office parties and hollow renditions of Jingle Bells, all stale before the event? Put Christology back into Christmas! We hope to complete the trilogy Jesus of Nazareth, written by Holy Father Benedict, in time for Christmas. The third volume is entitled The Infancy Narratives and copies are now available for purchase at £9.50 (hardback). As before, we will first read the relevant section at home and then meet on Sunday evenings at 8:00pm in the Crypt to discuss. You don't need to have been here for the previous volumes! Come along and see. Dates: Private Reading at home 10-16th November, if not before. Then 17th and 24th November; 1st, 8th and 15th of Dec. Perhaps there will be mince pies after the last one.

St Thomas More's Primary School 2014-15 Intake: Any parent wishing to apply for a place at St Thomas More's School must complete a Supplementary Information Form in addition to the Local Authority application form. Forms are available to download on the school's website www.stthomasmores.co.uk or by contacting the office on 01206 865722.

KSC MASS: Tuesday 5th November at 7:45pm Priory St. In memory of deceased members of the KSC and also for new members who will be inducted that night. Refreshments afterwards. All parishioners welcome.

RELICS OF ST ANTHONY OF PADUA: Westminster Cathedral – November 2nd. We will meet at 9:30am Colchester North Station main booking hall. From

Liverpool St by bus to the Cathedral. If we can make groups of 4 – the cost would be £14.20 – otherwise usual cheap day return. Please ring Pauline on 01206 768418 or Frances on 01206 369568.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Thursday 31st October – Team 3.

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Saturday October 26th	6:15 pm	Anne Fitzgibbon RIP
Sunday October 27th	8:00 am	Ron Wheeler RIP [KN]
	10:30 am	Mr T M Sebastian RIP
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Beryl & Noel Blanchette RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Maria Nila Aganon & Anna Liza Cagadas RIP (Patricia Coffey RIP)
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Parishioners
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Patricia Byrne RIP
Monday 28th		Ss Simon & Jude, Ap - Feast
	Church 7:30 am	Rolf Svennson RIP
	Church 9:15 am	Joshua John Walker RIP
Tuesday 29th		Feria
	Church 9:15 am	Kitty Foley RIP
Wednesday 30th		Feria
	Church 7:30 am	Ints: Stephen Silk [SF]
	Church 12:15 pm	Ron Wheeler RIP [JS]
Thursday 31st		Feria
	Church 9:15 am	Fr Gerry Fitzpatrick RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	7:30pm	Vigil Mass of All Saints
Friday 1st		ALL SAINTS (Holyday of Obligation)
	Church 7:30 am	Conor Quinlan RIP
	Church 9:15 am	John Higgins RIP
	Church 12:15 pm	Michael O'Dwyer RIP
	Church 7:30 pm	D/Rels & Friends
Saturday 2nd		ALL SOULS
	Church 7:30 am	Holy Souls RIP
	Church 9:15 am	D/Rels: Herbert / Richards Families
	Church 12:15 pm	Ints: The Holy Father

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C] – 3rd November 2013

Saturday November 2nd	6:15 pm	Ron Wheeler RIP [IJ]
Sunday November 3rd	8:00 am	Helen, Julian & Joseph Hoareau RIP
	10:30 am	Dr Roger Sykes RIP
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS
	6:30 pm	Ron Wheeler RIP [JH]
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Private Intention [TH]
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Yadi Khodaverdi RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Bridie McGloin RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION *Saturday 9:45-10:30am and 5:30-6:00pm*

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