ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN CATHOLIC CHURCH. COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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My dear friends

Today we celebrate the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, which has long been observed as a Holyday of Obligation in our country. St Paul tells us in his letter to the Galatians that after his conversion, he spent three years in preparation in Arabia and then went to Jerusalem and spent fifteen days with Saint Peter. We would love to know what they spoke about, no doubt St Peter sharing all his personal experiences and St Paul describing his vocation to bring the Gospel to the Gentiles.

They had animated discussions at the Council of Jerusalem, the first council of the church, when it was decided that converts from other nations did not need to observe Jewish customs. In the preface of today's Mass we hear the words: "Each in a different way gathered together the one family of Christ; and revered together throughout the world, they share one Martyr's crown."

You are very welcome to come to our parish Annual General Meeting this evening at 7:30pm in the Cardinal Bourne Hall, when among other things, the annual financial statement is presented.

This Tuesday 1st July at 12 noon - Father Alan Williams will be ordained as the 7th Bishop of Brentwood. We continue to pray for Bishop-Elect Alan at this important time. The evening before - Monday 30th June, there will be a time of prayer from 6:30pm - 7:30pm.

Praver for our new Bishop

Father, Eternal Shepherd of your people, you never cease to lead your Church with unfailing providence and to guide and nourish your flock. In your goodness grant to your church of Brentwood a holy Shepherd under whose watchful care we may grow in love and grace. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holv Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, Amen

May God bless you all.

Fr Tony McKentey

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 GROU	P: Mondays at 7:45pm	Crypt	
MEDITATION GROUP: Tuesdays at 8pm Crypt			

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers; Władysław Antończak, Pat Banks, June Bickersteth, Grace Blanchette, Frank Campbell, Karl Collins, Val Crane, Brian and Pauline Critchley, Olive Crawford, Jeanette Dagwell, Lynne-Michelle Denton, Nancy Drummond, Fr Paul Dynan, Gianni Emoli, Charlie George, Bill Graves, Bert Hewitt, Norah Hewitt, Venetia Hetherington, Maurice Highfield, Theresa Hogan, Ronald Jay, Pat Keene, Patrick King, Declan Knight, Irma Knowles, Peter Ledgley, Mirella Leonardi, Marie Lyons, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, June Mayhew, Colleen Merces, Margaret Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Elaine Proudfoot, Ronald Quijano, Sabina Rhatigan, Douglas Rogers, Carley Saunders, Catherine Spicer, Valerie Thurston, Angela Udall, Arthur Urguhart, Filomena Velasquez, Kathleen Walsh, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White, Dorcey Young,

SICK LIST: If you know of anyone who has recently recovered, please let one of the priests know. Thank you.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Vivienne Andrews and Howard Ashcroft. We extend our deepest sympathy to their families. May they rest in peace. Vivienne's Requiem Mass will be Monday 30th June at 2pm Priory St. Howard's Requiem Mass will be on Friday 4th July at 12 noon Priory St.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND: This Sunday we welcome into the church through the Sacrament of Baptism; Fabiana Jackson, Hannah Lawrence, Grace Weekes-Rolfe. God bless these children and congratulations to their families.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTISED? The next Baptism course will be Friday September 29th and Friday October 3rd in the Crypt from 7:30pm -9pm. There is no need to make an appointment but both sessions must be attended. Entry to the Crypt is via the Church. [This course is for new-borns up to age 6]

MASS ON TUESDAY: will be at 9am to allow the priests to get to the Cathedral for

the ordination at 12 noon.

MASS ON WEDNESDAY: There will be no Mass at 7:30am

PRAYER GROUP: Will not be meeting this Monday 30th June. This is because of the Holy hour for our new Bishop that is taking place across parishes that evening.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next weekend 6^{th} July for the Parish Development Fund; this fund is more important than ever as we have six large buildings to maintain. On the 20^{th} July – there will be a collection for the work of CAFOD.

MERSEA NEWS: The July coffee morning will be hosted by Margaret Ashmore on Tues July 8th at 18, Mersea Ave, come along and enjoy it with friends.

PARISH AGM: Will be this Sunday 29th June at 7:30pm Cardinal Bourne Hall. Any items that you wish to discuss should be submitted to Fr Tony before the meeting. The minutes of last year's meeting are available on the parish website.

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 MASS: Tuesday 1st July at 7.45pm Priory St. All our welcome. **KSC FAMILY FUN DAY:** Saturday 19th July. 12 – 4pm. St Josephs – Mile End. £5 per family. Bouncy castles, Face painting, Giant garden games, BBQ, Raffle, Tombola. All proceeds to a charity nominated by the KSC.

VOCATIONS UPDATE: Rev Patrick Daly will be ordained as a Priest of Brentwood Diocese this Saturday 28th June, at 11.00am at Our Lady Immaculate Church, Chelmsford. Please keep (Fr) Patrick very much in your prayers. Rick Fernandez received the Ministry of Lector at the Beda College, Rome in May of this year, and begins his second year at the Beda in the autumn. Eamonn Hyde received the Ministry of Acolyte on Friday 27th June at St John's Seminary, Wonersh. Gary Dench will receive the Ministry of Acolyte at the English College, Rome on 6th July, and will begin his fourth year there in the autumn. Paschal Uche will begin studies at St Mary's College, Oscott, in September.

If you are thinking about a Vocation to Priesthood or the Religious Life visit www.brentwoodvocations.org, or contact Fr Dominic Howarth

(frdominic@brentwoodvocations.org) 01268 281732. There is still the opportunity for any enquirers/discerners aged 17-30 to attend the Invocation weekend in Birmingham from 4th-6th July – full details from Fr Dominic or on the website.

FILIPINO FAMILY EVENING: Raised £318 for parish funds. A big thank you to everyone who came and to all those who helped in any way at all. From Armando and Amy.

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR 18-35 YEAR OLDS: Douai Abbey 19th-21st Sept 2014 Organised by Young Catholic Adults. Featuring John Pridmore (the reformed London gangster), Fr. Gregory Pearson and Fr. Matthew Goddard. Prices range from £18 upwards.

For more details, please see www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk/events.htm, bookwhen.com/yca-douai-2014 or ring 07908105787 or 07515 805015. (Please note that the Abbey have requested that you book in by the 29th August 2014)

CHURCH CLEANERS: Saturday 5th – Team 6

Solemnity - (Holvday of Obligation) Saturday June 28th 6:15 pm Roger Thurlow RIP [MD] Sunday June 29th 8:00 am Joseph & Bridget Loftus RIP 10:30 am Jarnes Donovan RIP 2:00 pm POLISH MASS 6:30 pm Ints: Eddie Georae Mollv Hefford RIP [D&JH] 8:30 am West Mersea Mile End 9:15 am Linda White RIP Monkwick 10:15 am Parishioners Monday 30th Feria Church 7:30 am Holy Souls RIP Church 9:15 am Linda McGrorv RIP Church 2:00 pm **REQUIEM MASS** Vivienne Andrews RIP Tuesday 1st Feria 9:00 am Church Ints: Ria & Family NB Church 7:45 pm KSC MASS Wednesday 2nd Feria Church 12:15 pm D/Rels: Brogan & Owens families Thursday 3rd ST THOMAS, Ap Church 9:15 am Felix McManas RIP Friday 4th Feria Church 9:15 am STM Year 3 - Patrick & Mary English RIP Church 12:00 pm **REQUIEM MASS** Howard Ashcroft RIP Church 6:30 pm Private Intention [MW] Saturdav 5th Feria Church 9:15 am Ints: Richard Griffin

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [A]

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Saturday July 5 th	6:15 pm	Christopher Cooke RIP	
Sunday July 6 th	8:00 am	Kathleen Lavery RIP	
	10:30 am	Kathleen R Joyce RIP	
	2:00 pm	POLISH MASS	
	6:30 pm	Ints: Caroline Gitonga	
West Mersea	8:30 am	Matt, Eddie & Pat Hogan RIP	
Mile End	9:15 am	Douglas & David Finch RIP	
Monkwick	10:15 am	Parishioners	

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