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

With

# MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - A

OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup> 2011

My dear friends,

As we approach the end of the Church's year, the Liturgy points us to the ultimate goal of our faith journey. This Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, we observe the feast of All Saints and remember the countless men and women who have reached the goal of eternal life with God. The following day, All Souls, we pray for the Holy Souls in purgatory who depend on our Masses and prayers to help them through that time of purification before they see God in his glory. There are November List envelopes available if you would like to write down those deceased relatives and friends you would like to be remembered during All Souls day and in the month of November. If you wish to make an offering for those Masses, it can be included in these envelopes.

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7pm in the Crypt there is a Parish Council Meeting to which we invite anyone who would like to be involved in the celebration of the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Church next year. We may have an exhibition of the history of the Church and there will be a celebratory Mass on May 3<sup>rd</sup> next year. If you have any input or wish to be involved, come to the meeting on Thursday

May God bless you all,

Fr Tony McKentey

11.15am) PRAYER GROUP MEDITATION GROUP:

Mondays at 8pm in the Crypt Tuesdays @ 8pm in the Crypt

<u>EVENTS THIS WEEK - Please check Mass Schedule for the changes this</u> <u>coming week</u>

| Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 11:45am Christmas Market Meeting See below |        |                |       |  |  |
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| ** ** **   | 8pm    | Evangelium     | Crypt |  |  |
| Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November   | 6:30pn | n SVP Meeting  | Crypt |  |  |
| [No Scripture Group this week]   |        |                |       |  |  |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | 7pm    | Parish Council | Crypt |  |  |
| [RCIA recommences December 1 <sup>st</sup> ]                               |        |                |       |  |  |

**SICK:** Please remember in your prayers June Bickersteth, Joan Boyden, Frank Campbell, Nancy Drummond, Kitty Foley, Charlie George, Maurice Highfield, Pat Maloney, Cara Maude, Bridie Murphy, Paula Nash, Casiano Pasumbal, Leah Patterson, Hector Silva, Tony White.

**BAPTISMS : Heira Barateta and Curtis Kploanyi.** God bless this child and congratulations to their families.

**APPEAL: AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED [ACN]:** As already mentioned in September, this appeal takes place next weekend  $-5^{th}/6^{th}$  November and there will be a speaker at all Masses. ACN is an organisation which gives assistance to the Church in parts of the world where it is difficult to practice the Faith, currently all areas of the Middle East.

**SURVIVE-MIVA:** As a result of this appeal last weekend, the sum of £1033 was raised. Thank you for your generosity.

#### ADMISSION TO ST THOMAS MORE'S SCHOOL – SEPTEMBER 2012:

Parents wishing to apply for a place at St Thomas More's School for September 2012 will need to complete a Supplementary Information Form in addition to the Local Authority Form. Forms can be obtained from the School office by telephoning 01206 865722 9am-3.30pm. Appointments can also be made to visit the school.

**CHRISTMAS MARKET/CELEBRATION**: Next Meeting – TODAY – after 10:30 Mass in the Hall. This week we are requesting toiletries, gift items, costume jewellery.

*Friday November 25<sup>th</sup>: Italian Evening with a Christmas theme.* Three course evening meal, live music, singing. Bar, Teas, Coffees, Soft drinks. Tickets available from November 1<sup>st</sup> Price: £10 adults; £5 children; Under 5's free. Contact: Nora 503410, Pauline 768418, Frances 369568.

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**REPOSITORY HELP** still required. There will be a meeting after the 10:30am Mass in the Hall next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November. If you are interested and able to commit to help one Sunday in a month, please do come along.

**MERCY ASSOCIATES** meet next at 7.30pm on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November at Christ Church Court (Tel. 763049).

**HEALING MASS** at Abbotswick on Wednesday, 9th November at 2.30pm celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power. For further information or travel directions visit <u>www.abbotswick.org</u> or call 01277 373959.

**VACANCY: PRINCIPAL - ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE:** The Governors of this popular and successful Catholic College are looking to appoint a dynamic and visionary Principal to lead this potentially outstanding school as it faces the challenges ahead. For informal enquiries, to obtain an application pack or to arrange a visit to the college, please contact: Mrs Mary Moriarty on 01206 514910 / moriarty.benedicts@gmail.com. The closing date for completed applications is Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011.

**TASTE ITALIA COOKERY DAY:** The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society will be hosting an Italian cookery event at the award winning organic cookery school Taste Italia, which is located at Ramsden Heath, Billericay. Why not add an authentic Italian flavour to your Christmas and join us on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December**, between 10.00am – 2.00pm. Tickets are priced at £45 and include a cookery demonstration followed by a three course lunch served with wine. Place are limited so please telephone 01268 784544 to reserve you place.

#### FORTHCOMING TOWN CENTRE ROAD CLOSURES/RESTRICTIONS:

Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> November between 12 & 1pm AND Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November between 4pm to 5:30pm. For full details, contact 08456 037631.

## CHURCH CLEANING TEAMS: Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, Team 1.

**MOVING?:** If you are moving please let the Parish Office know and equally important, if you are moving <u>within the Parish</u>. If you are newly arrived, please complete a Registration Form [in the porch]. This all helps to keep an accurate

Parish database. Thank you.

For inclusions to the parish website: admin@stjamesthelessandsthelen.org

### LITURGY FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [A]

| October 30 <sup>th</sup> 2011                    |                                 |          |   |  |  |
|--|---------------------------------|----------|---|--|--|
| Saturday October 29 <sup>th</sup>                |                                 | 6:15 pm  | Beryl and Noel Blanchette RIP           |  |  |
| Sunday October 30 <sup>th</sup>                  |                                 | 8:00 am  | Fr Lance Boward RIP [Westminster]       |  |  |
|  |                                 | 10:30 am | Sykes Family RIP                        |  |  |
|  |                                 | 6:30 pm  | Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP |  |  |
| Mersea   |                                 | 8:30 am  | Pip Harvey RIP                          |  |  |
| Mile End   |                                 | 9:15 am  | Parishioners                            |  |  |
| Monkwick   |                                 | 10:15 am | May Banks RIP [GMcC]                    |  |  |
| Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>                          | Feria                           |          |   |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 7:30 am  | Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 9:15 am  | Private Intention                       |  |  |
| Vigil  | Mersea                          | 7:30 pm  | Intentions: Teresa Hogan                |  |  |
| Tuesday NOV 1 ALL SAINTS – HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION |                                 |          |   |  |  |
| School Mass                                      | Church                          | 9:15 am  | May Banks RIP [R&MG]                    |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 12:15 pm | Special Intention                       |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 7:30 pm  | Holy Souls – November List              |  |  |
| Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>                        | esday 2 <sup>nd</sup> ALL SOULS |          |   |  |  |
|  |                                 |          | Helen and Martin Lydon RIP              |  |  |
|  | Church                          |          | ,                                       |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 12:15 pm |   |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 7:30 pm  | Intentions of the Holy Father           |  |  |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>                         | Feria                           |          |   |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 9:15 am  | Sidney Finch & Rose Jane Castell RIP    |  |  |
| Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> St Charles Borromeo, Bp   |                                 |          |   |  |  |
| Ý6 - STM   |                                 | 9:15 am  | -                                       |  |  |
|  | Church                          | 6:30 pm  |   |  |  |
| Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup>                         | Feria                           | •        |   |  |  |
| -  | Church                          | 9:15 am  | Dr E P Solomon RIP                      |  |  |
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#### LITURGY FOR THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [A] November 6<sup>th</sup> 2011

| Saturday November 5 <sup>th</sup><br>Sunday November 6 <sup>th</sup> | 6:15 pm<br>8:00 am<br>10:30am | Agnes McInerney RIP<br>Parishioners<br>D/Bala: Jackson Family PIP          |
|--|-------------------------------|--|
| West Mersea  | 6:30 pm<br>8:30 am            | D/Rels: Jackson Family RIP<br>Holy Souls – November List<br>Jean Lyons RIP |
| Mile End<br>Monkwick   | 9:15 am<br>10:15am            | Oreste Mele RIP<br>Alan Smith RIP [CB]                                     |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM B SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE SCHOOLS St Thomas More H

Saturday 9:45-10:30am and 5:30-6:00pm Baptismal Courses arranged as per Newsletter At least six months notice is required Head: Bridget Harris [865722] St Benedict'sActing:Head:Peter Johnson[549222]www.marriagecare.org.ukor 08003893801.www.brentwoodvocations.org

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