

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK

1 PARISH, 4 CHURCHES, 1 COMMUNITY



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St James the Less and St Helen RC Church, Colchester

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

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| Saturday 2nd | <i>Monkwick</i> | 5.00 pm | Special Intention John Dolamore RIP |
| Sunday 3rd | <i>Church</i> | 8.00 am | Wolfgang Waeschle RIP |
| | <i>Church</i> | 10.30 am | Parishioners |
| | <i>Church</i> | 2.00 pm | Polish Mass |
| | <i>Church</i> | 4.00 pm | Filipino Mass |
| | <i>Church</i> | 6.30 pm | Fr Philip Willenbrock RIP |
| | <i>West Mersea</i> | 8.30 am | Penny Banks RIP |
| | <i>Mile End</i> | 9.30 am | Private Intention |
| Monday 4th | | | Feria |
| | <i>Church</i> | 9.30 am | Frederick, Elizabeth + Angelo Lucas |
| Tuesday 5th | | | Feria |
| | <i>Church</i> | 9.30 am | Bridget Lloyd |
| Wednesday 6th | | | Feria |
| | <i>Church</i> | 9.30 am | Margaret Murray |
| Thursday 7th | | | Feria |
| | <i>Church</i> | 9.30 am | Patrick Cunningham RIP |
| Friday 8th | | | Feria |
| | <i>Church</i> | 9.30 am | Thanksgiving (DJ) |
| Saturday 9th | | | Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| | <i>Church</i> | 9.30 am | Ints: Margaret Campbell |
| FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) SEA SUNDAY | | | |
| Saturday 9th | <i>Monkwick</i> | 5.00 pm | Anne Houston RIP |
| Sunday 10th | <i>Church</i> | 8.00 am | Private Intention |
| | <i>Church</i> | 10.30 am | Ints: Cordell |
| | <i>Church</i> | 2.00 pm | Polish Mass |
| | <i>Church</i> | 6.30 pm | Parishioners |
| | <i>West Mersea</i> | 8.30 am | Private Intention |
| | <i>Mile End</i> | 9.30 am | Kathleen & Victor Payne RIP |

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) WEEK COMMENCING 3RD JULY 2022

Jesus's appointment of the seventy-two disciples and sending them for the mission of evangelisation in today's Gospel, is a reminder that Christ needs us as His followers to commit our lives and times to spreading the Gospel message of salvation, peace, joy, and healing. The appointment of the seventy-two disciples has a reflection of the seventy Jewish elders who went up with Moses on Sinai and saw the glory of God (Exodus 24:1-9). God later instructed Moses to choose seventy elders and He imparted in them the spirit He has given to Moses, (Number 11:16-17). We like the seventy-two disciples in today's Gospel are called to participate in the evangelical mission of the Church. Jesus sent 36 teams of two. The reasons for pairing include mutual support, bearing of witness to the truth of their testimony, and living the embodiment of the Gospel of Peace. The most famous biblical missionary pair was that of Paul and Barnabas, (cf. Acts 13). In Christian service, there is no unemployment; God has enough work for every one of us. So, don't just sit back and watch others work, involve yourself in the harvest which is rich but labourers are few.

Seminarian Moses

- ❖ 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 9.30am Mass (Priory Street) and after 5.00pm 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).

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



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PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

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



THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JULY: For the Elderly. We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

MARRIAGE MATTERS: (Isaiah 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20) **Romance is at the core of our calling.** The theme of today's readings is rejoicing. Those who have had to be away from home know the thrill of returning – the hug, the kiss and perhaps making love. But when every day is much like any other, we can lose the spark and we need to remember that romance is at the very core of our calling.

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 13th July at 10.30am** followed by a reception in Cardinal Bourne Hall. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS: We will take up the Peter's Pence Collection at all Masses on 3rd July to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, which includes helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Sea Sunday (Stella Maris) will be on 10th July 2022.

2022 RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): An Initial meeting will be held on Monday 11th July at 7pm in the Church. 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. Thank You

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

GOING FORTH MASS on **10th July at 10.30am**, followed by light refreshments in hall.

"GENESIS TO JESUS PARISH BIBLE STUDY." A beautiful video presentation, which reveals and unfolds God's saving plan in history as contained in the Sacred Scriptures - God's beautiful and awe-inspiring vision from Genesis to Jesus - starting **Friday July 8th at 7:30pm** in the Crypt at St. James the Less in Colchester. The course is broken up into 12 parts and each section will be shown every week, same time same place, lasting roughly 45mins. Each session has its own individual gems if all 12 weeks are impractical to attend. All welcome. For more information and a copy of the study guide please contact Tom Hardy on 07873 545193 or tomo83@yahoo.com. Bring your Bible!

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.

CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS & CANDIDATES: The next confirmation course will begin in September (dates TBA) If you would like to volunteer to assist with the course (*Catechist*) or would like to be confirmed (*Candidate*), please email with your details. Thank you.

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 **9th of July 2pm** at St Theresa's, players and supporters are welcome. Email to find out more.

VOLUNTEER READERS REQUIRED for weekday masses at Priory Street, please speak to the Clergy if you are willing to be added to the Rota. Thank you.

MISSIO MAGAZINES FOR SUMMER 2022 are available free in the church porch

SHARING THE CHURCH'S STORY CONFERENCE aims to bring people together for an experience of profound personal renewal and to be equipped for mission. With world-class speakers, including Bishop Robert Barron, panels, and moments of powerful prayer and worship, we are excited for what God will do through this event. The Conference takes place on **Saturday 17th September** in London, to find out more about this important conference and to book go to www.sharingthechurchsstory.com

BCYS YOUTH MASS, 7th July from 6pm at Brentwood Cathedral – join us for Pizza in the Parish Hall at 6pm, 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 7:30pm, celebrated by Fr Damien Wade. All info can be found on our website 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 <https://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk/>

ADVENTURE IN FAITH: Journey towards World Youth Day, Porto and Lisbon, July 26th – August 9th 2023. This amazing opportunity is for anyone who will be aged 17 – 27 in August 2023. Find out more at <https://bcys.net/events/wyd23/>. Express your interest with an email to WYD@dioceseofbrentwood.org. Only 40 places available.

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 www.bcys.net or contact Joseph Beattie – phone 01277 373959 or email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org

YEAR OF THE FAMILY: The 10th 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 you 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: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/marriage-family-life>

CHURCH CLEANING TEAM: Monday 04/07/22: **Team 4** /Thursday 14/07/22: **Team 1**
CBH COFFEE MORNING ROTA: 03/07/22: **Matthew & Mariamma** / 10/07/22: **Frances & Nora**



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