

THIRY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

Saturday 3rd	6.15 pm	Ints: Paul Thurgood
Sunday 4th	8:00 am	Ron Kernott
	10:30 am	Katarzyna Antonczak-Hammond
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	4.00 pm	Filipino Mass
	6:30 pm	Parishioners
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Yadi Khodaverdi RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	The Homeless

Monday 5th		Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am D. Bostock, M. Pretty + Fams
Tuesday 6th		Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am Timothy English RIP
Wednesday 7th		Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am D. Bostock, Leanne, Lexi + Fams
	<i>Church</i>	12.15 pm Anne Jørring + Fam RIP
Thursday 8th		Feria
STM School Mass	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am Dec. Rels Betts Fam
		12.15 pm
Friday 9th		Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am Maureen Sheeran RIP
Saturday 10th		St Leo the Great
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am NDL

THIRY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

Saturday 10th	6.15 pm	Elizabeth Reynolds RIP
Sunday 11th	8:00 am	Bridget Smith RIP
	10:30 am	Parishioners
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	5.00 pm	Holy Hour
	6:30 pm	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Mary Thorn RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Yadi Khodaverdi RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (confession): Saturday 9:45am - 10:30am; 5:30pm - 6.00pm
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: At least six months' notice is required
BAPTISM COURSE: www.stjamesthelessandsthelen.org under events where a list of course dates are available

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, we can also arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to visit the patient so that they may receive Holy Communion if they do not require a priest visit or are long term in-patients.

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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The Double Commandment seems to be simple and straightforward, perhaps rather obvious; after all, who can object to the call to love? In practice, many people pass over the first commandment in silence, preferring to focus on love of others and self. Such an approach would reduce the Gospel to an empty humanism. Our greatest love, passion, is to be directed towards God who is most deserving of our love – God our Creator and Redeemer. Our love for God then overflows and is expressed in love of neighbour and of self, in daily service. And what is love? Not a warm feeling but a commitment of will, when we choose to live in the will of God, to see the world as God sees it to the extent possible in our time here on earth. ‘Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven’.

Fr Chris

PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

DAILY	Morning Prayer	9.15am
DAILY	Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:50am
SUNDAYS:	Rosary/Divine Mercy	<i>following</i> 8.00am Mass
2 nd SUNDAY MONTHLY	Eucharistic Adoration	5.00pm-6.00pm
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Tuesdays in Crypt	8.00pm

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER: Please join with Pope Francis in praying for **"In the Service of Peace"** That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Pat Keene, Venetia Hetherington, Elizabeth Pace, Vicky Culham, Peter Ledgley, Hilda Morah

HOLY SOULS: November is the month of Holy Souls. If you wish to remember your loved ones, special envelopes are available in the porch and Masses will be offered for them during the month. Please place the name(s) of your deceased loved ones with any donation in the envelopes and hand the envelope to priests or drop them through the presbytery letterbox.

PARISH COUNCIL AGM: This takes place in Cardinal Bourne Hall on **Sunday 4th November (today) with a start time of 12pm (noon)** and will finish at approximately 1pm. Provision has been made for children to be supervised in crypt whilst parents attend meeting, if required.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018/2019: The Programme will commence in November with the **Parents Session** on **Friday 9th November 7.30pm – 9.00pm** in the Crypt and the **Children's Session** on **Saturday 10th November 10.00am – 12.00 Noon** in Hall and Crypt. For further information contact Hywel and Pam Edwards via prioryst_fhc@btinternet.com or 01206 867325.

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE: for new-borns and children up to age 6 yrs. will take place on **Thursday 29th November 2018** here in the Crypt from 7:30pm -9.00pm (entrance to Crypt is via Church). No appointment is necessary and all baptism dates will be arranged during the Course

ST. THOMAS MORE ADMISSIONS FOR 2019/2020: [Council closing date for admissions is 15/01/19]:

The signing of the **"Certificates of Practice"** will take place on the following dates: -

- Thursday 15/11/18 – 4.30pm to 5.30pm in the Railway Carriage (next door to Crypt)
- Friday 16/11/18 – 4.30pm to 5.30pm in the Railway Carriage (next door to Crypt)
- Saturday 17/11/18: 11:00am to 12:00pm in the Railway Carriage (next door to Crypt)

There is no need to make an appointment as parents will be seen on a 1st come, 1st served basis – *entrance to the Railway Carriage is via the church.*

READERS MEETING: This will be held on **Saturday 17th November** from 3.00pm until approx. 5.30pm in the church.

WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP: The next showing is on **7th November** with a **start time of 1.15pm** screening **"The Robe"**. Everyone is most welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments. Please see noticeboard for future films and dates.

CHRISTMAS MARKET on Saturday 24th November: This coming week the request is for donations of wine, spirits and beer. Please drop all donations into Presbytery or speak to Frances or Norah after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday or contact Norah (01206) 503410 or Frances (01206) 369568 to arrange collection.

MISSIO 2019 Calendars are available free in church porch. All parishioners are invited to take one – Ron Griffin, Missio Promoter for the Parish.

REPOSITORY: Christmas Cards, Diaries and Calendars are now available to purchase after the 10.30am mass on Sunday.

MILE END NEWS: The next Coffee Morning is on **4th November (today)** after the 9:15am Mass at St Joseph's will be held at the Dog & Pheasant – All are most welcome.

HEALING SERVICE at English Martyrs, 240 Alma Ave, Hornchurch RM12 6BJ: If you are feeling stressed, anxious, emotionally/psychologically broken or generally struggling with life, you are warmly invited to attend the Healing Service on **Saturday 1st December** from **6-8pm** for emotional, psychological and spiritual healing. To register your attendance please email HealingService@English-Martyrs.com or contact Mandy on 0780 1470 516.

CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY (CTS): Its CTS 150th Anniversary and as faith-based publishers to the Holy See they have been doing this important work in an environment which is not without its difficulties for a small charity that relies solely on the support of the Catholic community. Please see their website www.ctsbooks.org if you would like to support them in their work and/or purchase any of their literature.

BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL: Bringing the story of St Nicolas to life with the wonderful music of Benjamin Britten in a one-off semi-staged performance on **Saturday 17 November at 7pm.** Tickets are just £15 and can be booked online at Eventbrite.co.uk - St Nicolas or obtained from 01277 219746 or BrentwoodChoralSociety@gmail.com

BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL: A stunning opportunity to come-and-sing Handel's Messiah with professional soloists and orchestra in a Cathedral is one that many amateur singers covet. On **15 December** at Brentwood Cathedral they have an opportunity to realise that dream. Booking is now open and you can download the booking form from the Cathedral website or book by contacting David Worsfold on 01277 221445 or david.worsfold@zen.co.uk.

WALSINGHAM HOUSE, ABBOTSWICK: November Service to commemorate loved. Those with relatives and friends commemorated at Abbotswick are warmly invited to a service of prayer on **Thursday 29th November at 6.00pm.** The names of those remembered here will be read out during the service, which will include hymns and scripture readings and will be followed by tea and cakes. Please email frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org or call 01277373959 for info.

CONCERT IN AID OF COLCHESTER NIGHT SHELTER & OTHER CHARITIES: will be held on Saturday 15th December at 7pm in St Martins Church. Tickets can be purchased from <https://experiencetickets.co.uk/project/25573/> Adults £12 / Children £8.

VACANCY: Key Stage 2 Teacher - St Joachim's Catholic Primary School, London E16 3DT Teacher application forms and further information can be obtained from the CES Website. <http://www.cesew.org.uk/recruitment-process/item/1000042-application-forms> and returned to info@st-joachims.newham.sch.uk. School telephone: 02074761658.

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: Please keep donating much needed items and remember those we are helping in your prayers

❖ **SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society):** Telephone number - 07493 439427.

❖ **CARDINAL BOURNE HALL BOOKINGS:** cb.hall@btinternet.com or Tel: 07758 805263 [**answerphone only** – please leave a message]

CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA: Monday 5th November 2018: Team 2.