

# ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

## CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK

1 PARISH, 4 CHURCHES, 1 COMMUNITY

### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Church	<b>6.15 pm</b>	Mrs Kathleen Brown RIP
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Church	<b>8:00 am</b>	Ron Kernott RIP
	Church	<b>10:30 am</b>	Government + People of Nigeria
	Church	<b>2:00 pm</b>	Polish Mass
	Church	<b>3:00 pm</b>	Rosary followed by Filipino Mass at 4.00pm
	Church	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Gerry McGuigan RIP
	West Mersea	<b>8:30 am</b>	Parishioners
	Mile End	<b>9:15 am</b>	Ints: Mrs Kathleen Payne
	Monkwick	<b>10:15 am</b>	

<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Our Lady of the Rosary</b>		
	Church	<b>9.30 am</b>	Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Osyth, Rel</b>		
	Church	<b>9.30 am</b>	Jim McGinley RIP
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>		
	Church	<b>12.15 pm</b>	
	Church	<b>4.00 pm</b>	<b>Reception into Church:</b> Patrick Kehoe RIP
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>		
	Church	<b>9.30 am</b>	Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas
	Church	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>REQUIEM MASS:</b> Patrick Kehoe RIP
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St John XXIII, P</b>		
	Church	<b>9.30 am</b>	
<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SS Ethelburga, Hildelithe &amp; Cuthburga, Rel</b>		
	Church	<b>9.30 am</b>	

### TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Church	<b>6.15 pm</b>	
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Church	<b>8:00 am</b>	Hugh McGrath RIP
	Church	<b>10:30 am</b>	Anniversary: Ester Mombelli
	Church	<b>1.30 pm</b>	Rosary + Our Lady of Fatima procession followed by Polish Mass at 2.00pm
	Church	<b>5.00 pm</b>	Holy Hour
	Church	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Luigi Ferpozzi RIP
	West Mersea	<b>8:30 am</b>	Maria Nila Tavera + Anna Liza Barraca RIP
	Mile End	<b>9:15 am</b>	Derrick Foley RIP
	Monkwick	<b>10:15 am</b>	Parishioners

<b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession):</b>	Saturday 9:45am - 10:30am; 5:30pm - 6.00pm
<b>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:</b>	At least six months' notice is required
<b>BAPTISM COURSE:</b>	<a href="http://www.stjamesthelessandsthelen.org">www.stjamesthelessandsthelen.org</a> 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 patients so that they may receive Holy Communion if they do not require a priest visit or are long term in-patients.



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**TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**  
**WEEK COMMENCING: 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2019 - PARISH MASS BOOK PAGE146**

As we read "I know the plans that I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not harm, to give you a future with hope" (Jeremiah 29. 11). Since 1991, when I received the call from God and started my vocation to become a priest, which I attained in 2004 when He made me a humble servant in His vineyard. Whist I was working in his vineyard in Kerala, He guided my move overseas and to the Diocese of Brentwood, where I served first in Upton Park Parish and then in Colchester. It really has been a pleasant, enriching and wonderful experience for me to work in Colchester. I have experienced wonderful people of God here who have accepted me as a member of the family. The little children of St. Thomas Moore's school behave as if they are the little angels of God. My hospital visits, calls to visit the sick both at home and in care homes have been memorable; several times when I have been anointing, Pauline Gilmore (a parishioner who accompanies me on my Tuesday sick visits) and I have witnessed those in ill health experiencing God. Now God asks me through our Bishop Alan Williams to move to Walthamstow on 8<sup>th</sup> October. All these are unforgettable experiences and I request that you remember me in your prayers.

God Bless, Fr John Victor

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**PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES**

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DAILY	Morning Prayer	9.15 <sub>am</sub>
DAILY	Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:35 <sub>am</sub>
SUNDAYS:	Rosary/Divine Mercy	<i>following</i> 8.00 <sub>am</sub> Mass
2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY MONTHLY	Eucharistic Adoration	5.00 <sub>pm</sub> - 6.00 <sub>pm</sub>
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Tuesdays in Crypt	8.00 <sub>pm</sub>

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**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: A Missionary "Spring" in the Church**  
That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

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**MARRIAGE MATTERS: *Guard our love.*** Today St. Paul reminds us "*you have been entrusted to look after something precious, guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us*". For us this means we are the guardians of each other! We live that out by always striving to be tender lovers, gentle and kindly friends, and courageous, loyal supporters of each other.

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**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** We continue to pray for those parishioners we know who are sick and housebound especially, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Pat Keene, Venetia Hetherington, Elizabeth Pace, Peter Ledgley, Hilda Morah, Thomas MacKinlay.

**NEXT SECOND COLLECTION** will be Prisoners Sunday, which will take place on 13<sup>th</sup> October. PACT is the national charity that provides support to prisoners, people with convictions, and their families through a range of family, court, helpline and prison and community-based services. Their vision of a society in which justice is understood as a process of restoration and healing, and where the innate dignity and worth of every human is valued.

**FR. JOHN VICTOR DRABEESAN:** The presentation of the leaving collection will take place in the hall after the 10.30<sub>am</sub> today; we wish Fr John Victor every success and happiness in his new Parish. All are welcome.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** *The first session will be on Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7<sub>pm</sub> in the Crypt. To register your interest, please give your name and contact details to one of the priests. Thank You*

**REPOSITORY SHOP:** Reopens today after 10.30<sub>am</sub> mass in Hall. Diaries & Christmas cards will be on sale.

**MILE END NEWS:** Coffee Morning today after the 9:15<sub>am</sub> Mass at St Joseph's will be held at the Dog & Pheasant – All are most welcome.

**MERSEA NEWS:** The last coffee morning of the year will be held on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 10.30<sub>am</sub> til 12.30<sub>pm</sub>** at the home of Pauline Aspinall, 5 Prince Albert Road. All are most welcome

**WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP:** The next Film showing is on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** with a **start time of 1.15<sub>pm</sub>** screening "*Lead Kindly Light & A Time to Revive*". Everyone is most welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments. Please see noticeboard in porch for future films and screening dates.

**VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** The children's liturgy sessions are run by volunteers and take place every Sunday during the 10.30<sub>am</sub> family mass. We are looking for helpers to assist. If interested, please speak to Shiv (member of the church choir).

**MESSAGE FROM APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA:** Thank you for your continued support, may the Lord reward you abundantly for your generosity. The "*Sea Sunday*" collection amounted to £758.05 from this parish.

**"CUPPA CLUB"** The SVP coffee morning will be starting on **7<sup>th</sup> November** in Cardinal Bourne Hall from 10.00<sub>am</sub>. Please do come along and join us

**BEETLE DRIVE:** The SVP will be holding a Beetle Drive, in Cardinal Bourne Hall on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October, at 7<sub>pm</sub>**. This is a fun night for all the family with a free buffet and bring your own bottle. Tickets £5.00 per adult with accompanying children free. Tickets will be available after the 10.30<sub>am</sub> & 6.30<sub>pm</sub> Masses this Sunday. Please see the poster in Church porch or notice on the parish website for further details.

**ACN CREAM TEA:** Come and join us for a friendly and yummy cream tea on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 3<sub>pm</sub>** in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. All proceeds to Aid to the Church in Need. £5 per person. Bring some friends along and a little something for the raffle. To help with the preparation, do let us know you are coming by calling Anne on 07880852738.

**(KSC) KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA:** The KSC are organising a Rosary crusade for the month of October and invite all parishioners to join them. The rosary will be said on the following Wednesdays at these venues: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> October 7.30<sub>pm</sub> St. Teresa's, Lexden; 9<sup>th</sup> October 7.30<sub>pm</sub> St. John Payne, Greenstead. All parishioners are welcome.

**CATECHIST TRAINING DAY:** This years' event will be on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2019 from 10<sub>am</sub>–3:30<sub>pm</sub>** at Sacred Heart of Mary School and will include some exciting new workshops from providers such as The Bible Society, Young Vincentians, Sycamore and Godly Play! This day is free of charge, thanks to National Youth Sunday contributions. For more details on the day and information on how to reserve your place, please visit [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events) or email [gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org) with your name, parish, current role and a contact email address.

**DEANERY MUSIC DAY:** A day has been organised for all singers, musicians, psalmists and anyone else who is interested in the music that is provided in our churches. It will take place on **Saturday 19 October** at St Monica's Catholic Church, De Vere Lane, Wivenhoe, CO7 9AU, from 10<sub>am</sub> until 4<sub>pm</sub>. Refreshments provided but please bring a packed lunch. There is no charge but it would help the planning if you could let the diocesan music office know if you are planning to attend. Please email [music@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:music@dioceseofbrentwood.org) or ring 01277 265288.

**THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED (CARDINAL) JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** takes place in Rome on Sunday 13 October. To mark this historic occasion Father Stewart Foster (Diocesan Archivist & Historian) will give a lecture entitled 'St John Henry Newman: His Life and Times' on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30<sub>pm</sub>** in the Conference Centre, Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT. All are welcome.

**CELEBRATING INTERFAITH WEEK: The Essex Faith Covenant Two Years On ... Its Impact on our Communities - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 6.45<sub>pm</sub>-9.30<sub>pm</sub>, Anglia Ruskin University, Chelmsford.** This event is an opportunity to hear from speakers Stephen Timms MP & Daniel Singleton, Executive Director at Faith Action on the importance of interfaith engagement. The event will conclude with a curry/refreshments and the chance to visit the showcase stands. Free parking at the venue. Follow this link to book a place <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/inter-faith-week-celebration-the-essex-faith-covenant-two-years-on-tickets-71774703069>

**SVP: *turning concern into action*** - If you know of someone who is lonely, housebound or simply in need of a friend, please contact us, using the details below. If you would like to join us the details of our next meeting are at the back of the church, along with a collection box

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❖ **SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society):** Tel: 07493 439427 or email: [colchestersvp@gmail.com](mailto:colchestersvp@gmail.com)  
❖ **CARDINAL BOURNE HALL BOOKINGS:** email: [cb.hall@btinternet.com](mailto:cb.hall@btinternet.com)  
or Tel: 07758 805263 [*answerphone only* – please leave a message with name + contact number

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**CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October: **Team 1.**