

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]**

<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6.15 pm</b>	
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Parishioners
	<b>10:30 am</b>	Ints: Sister Lily McNamara (Friends of Peru)
	<b>2:00 pm</b>	Polish Mass
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	Filipino Mass
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	
<i>West Mersea</i>	<b>8:30 am</b>	
<i>Mile End</i>	<b>9:15 am</b>	
<i>Monkwick</i>	<b>10:15 am</b>	Joseph Hawken RIP

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October</b>		<b>MONDAY - St. Osyth</b>
<i>Church</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Lovilla Ovevas RIP
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>TUESDAY - Feria</b>
<i>Church</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Ints: Delle O'Conner
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>WEDNESDAY - Feria</b>
<i>Church</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Patrick Burke RIP
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>THURSDAY - St. John XXIII</b>
<i>Church</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	The Deceased Members of Birmingham Fam RIP
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>FRIDAY - Ss Ethelburga, Hildelithe &amp; Cuthberga</b>
<i>Church</i>	<b>9:30 am</b>	Ints: Mary Gowe
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>SATURDAY - Feria</b>
<i>Church</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	
	<b>5.00pm</b>	Our Lady of Fatima Procession followed by Mass at 6.15pm

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<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6.15 pm</b>	C. O'Byrne & L. McLoughlin & Fams RIP
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Ron Keywott RIP
	<b>10:30 am</b>	
	<b>2:00 pm</b>	Polish Mass
	<b>5.00 pm</b>	Holy Hour
	<b>6:30 pm</b>	
<i>West Mersea</i>	<b>8:30 am</b>	
<i>Mile End</i>	<b>9:15 am</b>	
<i>Monkwick</i>	<b>10:15 am</b>	

**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](http://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

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It is not easy to say things which are difficult for others to hear. It is often not easy to write them either! One of the things which made Jesus so attractive, but also controversial, as a teacher was that he courageously taught those who came to listen and question him. In today's Gospel he is asked about marriage. The context of this is that women at this point in history could be divorced by their husbands for any number of reasons, and such women were subject to immense social stigma from the culture around them. This is, thankfully, no longer the case but the Church continues to proclaim what Jesus himself taught – 'what God has united, man must not divide.' It is a standard which is difficult to live up to, but things of such immense value often are. Let's see the message of today's Gospel as a celebration of the meaning of marriage, and as an opportunity to pray for those experiencing any kind of marital difficulties.'

*Deacon Gary*

## PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

DAILY	Morning Prayer	8:30am
DAILY	Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:50am
SUNDAYS:	Rosary/Divine Mercy	<i>following</i> 8.00am Mass
2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY MONTHLY	Eucharistic Adoration	5.00pm-6.00pm
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Tuesdays in Crypt	8.00pm

**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER:** Please join with Pope Francis in praying for **The Mission of Religious** - That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

**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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Craig Findlay and Peggy Appleby who have both recently passed away. May they rest in peace and we pray for the comfort of their bereaved families and those that mourn: A requiem mass will be held for Craig on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October @ 11.00am. Funeral service for Peggy to be advised.

**DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION:** After all Masses this weekend there will be a collection for **Harvest Day (CAFOD)** .

**NEXT DIOCESAN 2ND COLLECTIONS:** (PACT) Prisoners Sunday on 14th October & (APF) World Mission Day on 21st October.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018/2019:** Dates have now been agreed and the Programme will start in November. The parish offers this course for young people in school year 3 and above. Information packs are available at the back of church. For further information contact Hywel and Pam Edwards via [prioryst\\_fhc@btinternet.com](mailto:prioryst_fhc@btinternet.com) or 01206 867325.

**BAPTISM COURSE FOR OLDER CHILDREN AGED 7yrs-15yrs** will commence on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm** in the Crypt (Entrance via church). Course runs for 8 consecutive Thursdays

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PROCESSION:** will take place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm followed by mass at 6.15pm.

**FLAME 2019:** we are taking this year's confirmation group to this superb youth event on the **2nd March 2019**. Last years confirmed are also welcome. We need to know you are coming so we can secure the tickets at £20 each. Email Andrew: [Andrew.johnson@uwclub.net](mailto:Andrew.johnson@uwclub.net) **ASAP**.

**MILE END NEWS:** Coffee Morning today (7<sup>th</sup>) after the 9:15am Mass at St Joseph's will be held at the Dog & Pheasant – All are most welcome.

**MERSEA NEWS:** The next Coffee Morning will be held on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October from 10.30am til 12.30pm** at the home of Pauline Aspinall, 5 Prince Albert Road. All are most welcome

**ACN CREAM TEA:** Come and join us for a friendly and yummy cream tea on Saturday **3<sup>rd</sup> November at 3pm** in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. All proceeds to **Aid to the Church in Need**. £5 per person. Bring some friends and a little something for the raffle. Please reserve seats with Anne 07880852738.

**PRIORY STREET THEATRE GROUP:** are holding auditions for their annual pantomime on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm** in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. If you are interested in joining us either on stage or backstage, then please come along. For more information contact Lesley (01206) 970960.

**HOLY HOUR:** Will be held at St James the Less and St Helen on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm** to pray for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. This year the Vocations office have planned to pray for vocations in all 12 deaneries within the Diocese, one for every month in 2018. All are welcome whether you are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or want to pray for those who are. This event will include a testimony from Mgr. John Armitage who was the Vicar General of this diocese and is now Rector to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk.

**CHRISTMAS MARKET:** A meeting will be held today (7<sup>th</sup>) after 10.30am mass in Cardinal Bourne Hall to discuss this event, or for further information contact Norah (01206) 503410 or Frances (01206) 369568. All are welcome.

**JOSIE'S KITCHEN:** There will be a table top sale in support of Colchester homeless on Saturday **20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> October from 9am to 2pm** in Cardinal Bourne Hall. All enquiries (01206) 870929.

**WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP:** The next showing is on **10<sup>th</sup> October with a start time of 1.15pm** screening "*Heaven's Key to Peace*". Everyone is most welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments. Please see noticeboard for future films and dates.

**TRAIN TO BECOME A TEACHER:** Open Evening, **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm** at St Thomas More's School. Information evening for anyone interested in learning more about the Essex Teacher Training Programme. If you have any questions, please contact the School Office on : (01206) 865722.

**COLCHESTER FOOD BANK:** would like the following items: tinned/dry goods incl. tinned tomatoes, soups, pasta, rice, jars of sauces, long life fruit juices, milk and squashes, custard, jam, cleaning, hygiene & sanitary products and small packets of washing powder, liquid or capsules. **Thank you to all who donate**, we can advise that all goods are always greatly appreciated. Please keep donating much needed items and remember those we are helping in your prayers.

**AUTUMN SPIRITUALITY TALKS:** Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT 10.30am-12.00 Noon: For further info contact: [jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org) Tel. 01277 265285  
**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2018** - Title: "**Sacraments of Mercy: the gracious presence of Christ.**" Speaker: Fr Martin Boland.  
**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018** - Title: "**Life and healing: Spirituality of the Sacraments.**" Speaker: Mgr. David Manson.  
**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018** - Title: "**Advent Spirituality.**" Speaker: Bishop Alan Williams, sm.

**GOVERNOR TRAINING:** **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2018** at Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood CM15 8AT- 10.30AM-12.00noon. Topic: "**Effective Chairing.**" Speaker: Mrs Maureen Smith, further details contact: [jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org) Tel. 01277 265285

**CARDINAL BOURNE HALL PARKING:** Please **DO NOT** park in front or to the side of Cardinal Bourne Hall as per our Health & Safety regulations. This is the fire escape route & meeting point and must be kept clear at all times!

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

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

**CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA:** Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018: Team 2.