

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

Saturday 11th	6.15 pm	
Sunday 12th	8:00 am	David & Anthony Hill 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	Dec. Mem. O'Grady Family
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	T. Tinneveld RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	
Monday 13th		MONDAY – Feria
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Thomas & Bridget Luhan RIP
<i>Church</i>	6.30 pm	Our Lady of Fatima procession, followed by mass in Polish/English
Tuesday 14th		TUESDAY – St. Maximillian Kolbe
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Kath Shock RIP
Wednesday 15th		WEDNESDAY - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Sean Kerr RIP
<i>Church</i>	12.15 pm	Denise Anthony
<i>Church</i>	7.30 pm	
Thursday 16th		THURSDAY – Feria
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Friday 17th		FRIDAY – Feria
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	James Patrick Sweeney RIP
<i>Church</i>	1.00 pm	REQUIEM MASS: Paul Andrew Foster RIP
Saturday 18th		SATURDAY – ST HELEN, Widow. Patroness of Colchester
<i>Church</i>	9.30 am	Win Healy RIP

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [B]

Saturday 18th	6.15 pm	Anna Slevin RIP
Sunday 19th	8:00 am	Mr & Mrs Minator RIP
	10:30 am	Parishioners
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	6:30 pm	Marie Bastianpillai & Xavier Swampillai RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Kevin Doyle RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Mrs Jytte Hastell 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

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

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The Gospel passage begins by noting that the Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus. This ought to remind us of the Israelites during the exodus, as they frequently complained to Moses about God; the word is often translated as 'murmuring'. It has the sense of disappointment because hopes have not been realised. Murmurers/complainers therefore have a firm conviction about what is their due. Murmuring against God is a form of pride, expecting God to measure up to their ideas and desires. This is very common today of course. How much better is the kind of community described by St. Paul in the second reading – no grudges, lost tempers, raised voices, name-calling, spitefulness. All Catholic parishes are called instead to be friendly, kind, forgiving. (I'm not insinuating anything about our parish, these are general comments!)

Fr Chris

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 nd SUNDAY MONTHLY	Eucharistic Adoration	5.00pm-6.00pm
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Tuesdays in Crypt	8.00pm

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.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Under the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which came into force on 25th May, we are unable to print any names on the Prayer list without the sick persons written permission. Written permission can be sent to us either by email or letter – Our contact details are on the front of Newsletter.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST: Please join with Pope Francis in praying for **The Treasure of Families:** That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

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

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE: for new-borns and children up to age 6 yrs. will take place on **Thursday 27th September 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.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Wednesday is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses on Wednesday at Priory Street will be at 9:30am; 12:15pm and 7:30pm. There will be a Procession of Our Lady and the Rosary before the 9:30am Mass.

MERSEA NEWS: The next Coffee Morning will be held on **Tuesday 14th August from 10.30am til 12.30pm** at the home of Judy Cooper - 62 East Road. All are most welcome.

WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP: The next showing is on **22nd August with a start time of 1.15pm** screening *"Bella"*. Everyone is most welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments. Please see noticeboard for future films and dates.

PARISH BBQ: For Fr. Alex in gratitude for his services to our parish. We will be hosting a parish BBQ on **Sunday 26th August** after the 10.30am mass. All food donations are most welcome especially salads, savouries and desserts - please can you liaise with Frances Galvin (01206 369568) or Norah (01206) 503410 before the event if you are able to bring food.

COLLECTIONS FOR FR ALEX & ADRIAN LOWE: There will be a collection for Fr. Alex on Sunday 12th August at all mass centres except Mersea. Fr. Alex has been asked but there is nothing he requires for himself or at his new placement all monetary donations he receives will be sent to his Religious Order. A collection for Adrian Lowe our Seminarian will take place on Sunday 19th August after all masses.

THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP: has reconvened with its usual slot every **Thursday from 10.30am to 1.30pm** in the Cardinal Bourne Hall. Everyone is most welcome and please bring food to share with the group. Further information about social activities will be discussed. A £2.00 donation is much appreciated for the use of the hall.

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: have requested the following items: tinned/dry goods incl. tinned tomatoes, 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.

ADOREMUS: the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress is being held in Liverpool **7th - 9th September 2018**. The Congress will encourage a deeper understanding and love of the Eucharist and will offer people an experience of strength and solidarity in their willingness to *"put God first"* in their lives. If you are interested in attending, please contact the Presbytery office.

THE CATHOLIC HERITAGE GROUP: will be meeting on **Monday 20th August at 11.15am** in the Crypt. If you would like to come and find out what we do/are planning, please do come as all newcomers are welcome. If you are interested in helping at the Gatehouse but can't make the meeting, please let the office have your details and we will be in touch. We have some interesting ideas and have some interesting links both inside the Church and the County.

BCYS ANNUAL YOUTH GATHER: 20th - 21st October 2018, Essex Outdoors, East Mersea. This event is open to those in school year 9 and above. New cabin accommodation and a brilliant range of outward bound activities. The cost includes lunch and dinner on Saturday 20th, breakfast and lunch on Sunday 21st, two Mersea activities, 2 BCYS workshops, and a night in a Mersea log cabin – all of this for just £50. This price is thanks to National Youth Sunday parish collections, to help us subsidise such opportunities. You can apply by creating an account at www.bcys.net and applying on the Events page.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - SATURDAY 15th SEPTEMBER: If anyone is interested in going on the Pilgrimage to Walsingham (departing from Greenstead), please contact Ann Roughan on 07889101762 for more details and to reserve seats on coach.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: -

- **WALSINGHAM HOUSE:** Official Opening **Sat. 1st September**
- **ENGLISH HERITAGE OPEN WEEKEND:** On **Friday 7th +Saturday 8th September** at St James the Less and St Helen and at the Abbey of St John the Baptist on **Saturday 8th + Sunday 9th September**
- **RIDE & STRIDE:** will be taking place on **Saturday 8th September** from 9.00am – 5.00pm
- **ENGLISH HERITAGE OPEN WEEKEND ("Catholics in Colchester")** **Fri 14th & Sat 15th September**

Please see posters in porch for more event details or check our website under Events.

RIDE & STRIDE - PLEASE NOTE: If you would like to be involved in this worthwhile event, but cannot physically take part on the day we are happy to advise that Jane Owens has volunteered to be our Parish representative and she will "Ride & Stride" on your behalf : To sponsor Jane in her worthy efforts please see her sponsorship form in porch.

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 13th August 2018: Team 2.