

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ([B])**World Communications Day**

Sunday 13th May	8:00 am	Sean Steele RIP
	10:30 am	Selwyn Caldeira RIP
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	3.00 pm	Our Lady of Fatima Procession
	5.00 pm	Holy Hour (Eucharistic Adoration)
	6:30 pm	Tommie Lohan RIP
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Parishioners
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Derrick Leo Foley RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	Holy Souls

Monday 14th		MONDAY – ST MATTHIAS
N.B.	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
Tuesday 15th		TUESDAY – Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9.30 am Peggy McAnaney RIP
	<i>Church</i>	11.00am Requiem – Rita Elizabeth Harris RIP
Wednesday 16th		WEDNESDAY – Feria
		NO MASS
Thursday 17th		THURSDAY – Feria
		NO MASS
Friday 18th		FRIDAY – Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9:30 am Ints: Family of Christina Francis
Saturday, 19th		SATURDAY – Feria
	<i>Church</i>	9:30 am
		6.15 pm Amanda Louise Harris RIP

PENTECOST SUNDAY ([B])

Sunday 20th	8:00 am	David Anthony Hill RIP
	10:30 am	Parishioners
	2:00 pm	First Holy Communion Mass
	6:30 pm	
<i>West Mersea</i>	8:30 am	Holy Souls
<i>Mile End</i>	9:15 am	Bridget & Michael Brady RIP
<i>Monkwick</i>	10:15 am	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: 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

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This weekend marks the memorial of two martyrs from the sixteenth century. Saturday is the feast of St. John Houghton, a Carthusian, and Prior of the London Charterhouse, martyred in 1535. Sunday would be the feast day of Blessed John Beche, the last Abbot of St. John's in Colchester, martyred in the town in 1539. Why mention them? Quite simply, they died for the true faith. We hear a lot today about, 'fake news'; it isn't new. So much of what is commonly accepted as 'true' about the so-called Reformation in England is fake news. In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus prays, '...keep those you have given me true to your name' and again, '...the world hated them.' These two men died for remaining faithful to the name of Jesus. Thomas More in the Tower and himself soon to die a martyr's death, seeing St. John and his companions going to their deaths, exclaimed to his daughter, 'Look, Meg! These blessed Fathers be now as cheerfully going to their deaths as bridegrooms to their marriage.' May we remain as faithful and as cheerful, despite challenges and difficulties.

PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

SUNDAYS:	Divine Mercy and Rosary <i>following</i>	8.00am Mass
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION	Tuesdays in Crypt	8:00pm
DAILY:	Morning Prayer	8:30am
Rosary/Divine Mercy		8:50am
2 nd SUNDAY MONTHLY	Eucharistic Adoration	5.00pm-6.00pm

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Under the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which comes into force on 25th May, we will be 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 but must be with us by this date – Our contact details are on front of Newsletter.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers, Tony Allen, John Ashdown-Hill, Pat Banks, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Vicky Culham, Cosette Devaux, John Disley, Jim Harvey, John Harvey, Jan Holden, Pat Keene, Marie Kent, Patrick King, Peter Ledgley, Nathanael Lee, Joanne Leon, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Bernadette McLean, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Merryman, Byron Miller, Amadine Morgan, Margaret Norman, Charles Norman, Elizabeth Pace, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Ronald Quijano, Christine Staines, Filomena Velasquez, Mary Wallace, Brea Ward, Alice White, Patricia Wiltshire.

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.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ronald Payot who has recently died. May he rest in peace and we pray for the comfort of his bereaved family. Ronald's funeral takes place here at 1.00pm on Wednesday, 30th May.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS: The next second collection is the Sick & Retired Clergy Fund on 3rd June (Feast of Corpus Christi). Administrators of the Fund take this opportunity to thank Parishes for their continued generosity.

MONKWICK NEWS: Our 1st coffee morning of the season will be held at Grace McCartney's 20a Buxton Road on Saturday 19th May from 10am til 12 Noon. Everyone most welcome. p.s. realising that this is the Royal Wedding day the TV will be on!!

GIFT AID SUBSCRIBERS: There are *still many boxes uncollected*. If yours is among them, please collect it from the porch in Priory Street. Thank you.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: Each year between May and October we have the Polish /English processions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. The 13th May falls on Sunday so the Procession will take place at 3pm following the Polish Mass.

WEDNESDAY FILM CLUB: Due to popular demand, it has been decided to reconvene the Films for Faith under its new title of "Wednesday Film Club". A preliminary meeting will be held in the Crypt on Wednesday 6 June at 1pm. You are all welcome to attend. For further information, please contact: Anne Curran 07745 044956

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: Please keep donating items of tinned/dry goods along with cleaning products & long life fruit juices, milk and squashes, hygiene & sanitary products as all goods are always greatly appreciated.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: Come this summer on Brentwood Diocese's pilgrimage to Lourdes with Bishop Alan, from Monday 23 - Saturday 28 July. For further information, please 'phone Tangey Tours on 01732 886 666. We would ask for a donation of £10 per pilgrim for which you will receive a diocesan lanyard, liturgy booklet and pilgrimage booklet

BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL: Bishop Alan will be holding a Thanksgiving mass for Marriage and Family Life and we have x4 tickets available for any couples or individuals who would like to attend on Saturday 14th July at 4pm. Mass at Brentwood Cathedral will be followed by a reception in the Cathedral hall. Have you a significant wedding anniversary? Or newly married Please let us know if you are interested in attending this event.

BCCS: Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is hosting a **Ladies' Day Luncheon** on Thurs. 21st June at the Rayleigh Golf & Country Club. Tickets cost £25.00 per person for a delicious two course luncheon with tea & coffee served in our own private dining room, with plenty of time to enjoy some racing from Ascot before the school-run. Please contact Libby for more information & to book tickets on 01268 784544 / lphillips@bccs.org.uk

KERALA PRAYER GROUP: meeting on Sunday 13th May at St Joseph's Mile End @ 5.30pm

SITUATIONS VACANT: -

- 1: **SITE SUPERVISOR** at St Bonaventure's Comp. School, Forest Gate. Application Forms are available on the school website <http://www.stbons.org/site-supervisor>
- 2: **BOARDING ASSISTANT** @ New Hall School: For further details & an application form please visit our website: www.newhallschool.co.uk/job-opportunities

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: -

PARISH ROAD SHOW: Our Parish will be holding a "Road Show" on **Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd June** in Cardinal Bourne Hall from 10am til 4pm (*Sunday will be after Mass*).

We have at least 26 groups within our Parish and hopefully all groups will be represented at this Road Show and we would love everyone to come along and learn about these groups and the rewarding and invaluable work that they do within our community, as they can never have enough volunteers to help them! **Please Note:** to close the event and also to celebrate Father Chris's birthday there will be a free parish BBQ on Sunday 3rd June at 12.00 (Noon). All food donations are welcome especially salads and desserts - please can you liaise with Frances Galvin (01206 369568) *before* the event if you are able to bring food. A voluntary contribution will be collected on the day to help with the costs. For more event information or to donate the use of display boards please contact Lesley on 01206 970960.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA: KSC Southern Provinces Pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory on **Sunday 10th June**, departing East Hill @ 8.30am, and leaving Aylesford @ 5.00pm. The day at this beautiful venue includes Mass at 12 noon, and Rosary Procession followed by Benediction in the afternoon. Light refreshments are available but please bring a packed lunch. Cost incl. coach is £17 per head for adults, children free. To book please contact Ron Griffin (571590) or Justin Nathan (241317).

CARITAS Diocese of Brentwood: send an Invitation to all people working within the community in any aspect of social justice ministry & charity to attend a meeting on **Saturday 7th July** at Sacred Heart School, Upminster 10.30am – 3.30pm please see letter in porch for more details of the event.

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: Thursday 17th 2018: Team 1.

