

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER

WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK



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THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD [A]

Saturday April 15 th	8:00 pm	THE EASTER VIGIL – Mr & Mrs Cooke RIP
Sunday April 16 th	8:00 am	Brian Jackson RIP
	10:30 am	Terry Hilton RIP
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	6:30 pm	Ints: Fr Philip Willenbrock
West Mersea	8:30 am	Nora O'Sullivan RIP
Mile End	9:15 am	Parishioners
Monkwick	10:15 am	Peggy Wilding RIP
Monkwick	3:00 pm	Kerala Mass
Monday 17 th	MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	
<u>N.B.</u> Church	10:00 am	Patrick Quinlivan RIP
Church	12:00 pm	Polish Mass
Tuesday 18 th	TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	
Church	9:15 am	Desmond Byrne RIP
Wednesday 19 th	WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	
Church	12:15 pm	Ints: Fr Alex Poblador
Thursday 20 th	THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	
Church	9:15 am	Ernest Robinson RIP
Friday 21 st	FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	
Church	9:15 am	Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas RIP
Saturday 22 nd	SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	
Church	9:15 am	Holy Souls RIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER [A]

[Divine Mercy Sunday]

Saturday April 22 nd	6:15 pm	Mr & Mrs Frank Milford RIP
Sunday April 23 rd	8:00 am	Sidney & Rose Castell RIP
	10:30 am	Ronnie Hammond RIP
	2:00 pm	Polish Mass
	6:30 pm	Mariella Doria RIP
West Mersea	8:30 am	Parishioners
Mile End	9:15 am	Clyde Jardim RIP
Monkwick	10:15 am	Patricia Urquhart RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9:45-10:30am; 5:30-6pm

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: At least six months notice is required

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The Lord is risen! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! From the account of the Gospel it is clear that the Lord is risen from the tomb, the same person who died on the Cross three days ago is alive indeed! It is also equally clear that he is so different that even his disciples took time to recognize him again.

Perhaps, you wonder why is it so? It is because Jesus is recognised mainly by our faith. And the basis of our faith is no other than the empty tomb! Jesus indeed is risen as he promised, Alleluia!!! In fact, even his disciple could hardly believe what their eyes have seen. They were terrified and so they hid. Nevertheless, everything changed when the Master showed himself in person before them.

Brothers and sisters, I hope that these paschal celebrations may have stirred once again our faith in the Risen Lord. That whatever happens we may remain steadfast in our faith because he is there for us as he promised, to be with us until the end of time. Let us be people of courage, joy and fearless, for Our Lord has come back to live and to stay among us for life.

Lastly, we wish you and the rest of your family Happy Easter especially the sick and those who were not able to come for the celebrations for whatever reasons! May you be strengthened by your faith in the risen Lord and remain always strong and hopeful in your faith. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us be glad and rejoice! Happy Easter to all of you!

Canon Anthony, Fr Alex, Fr Philip

Please see Mass Schedule for ANY change

SUNDAYS: Divine Mercy and Rosary Following 8am Mass
CHRISTIAN MEDITATION Tuesdays – Crypt 8:00pm
DAILY: Morning Prayer 8:15am; Rosary/Divine Mercy 8:35am
FILMS FOR FAITH: Please see below

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember in your prayers; Percy Abrahams, Lorraine Atkin, Pat Banks, Antoinetta Caldeira, Frank Campbell, Nicollas and Adam Campbell-Vencarto, Olive Crawford, Vicky Culham, Margaret Doorish, Margaret Griffin, Jim Harvey, John Harvey, Jan Holden, Julie Jefferies, Pat Keene, Marie Kent, Patrick King, John Lawlor, Peter Ledgley, Nathanael Lee, Joanne Leon, Doreen Lowe, Marie Lyons, Canon Anthony McKentey, Jean Mansell, Mary-Ann Martin, Cara Maude, David Merryman, Byron Miller, Amadine Morgan, Margaret Norman, Charles Norman, Anne Renwick, Leah Patterson, Ronald Quijano, Chris Sands, Maureen Sheeran, Christine Staines, Filomena Velasquez, Mary Wallace, Brea Ward, Patricia Wiltshire, Tony White,

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA: As usual, the Polish Mass will be at 2pm on Divine Mercy Sunday. It will be followed at 3pm by the Solemnity of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Devotions as asked by Our Lord.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Applications are invited for the post of Parish Administrator at St James the Less & St Helen, Colchester. This is a part-time post of 24 hours per week – Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9am to 5pm, at an hourly rate of £12.50. Candidates must be skilled in the use of Word, Excel and Access, with a proven track record in all areas of Administration, Health & Safety, Maintenance and Premises issues across several sites. Absolute integrity and discretion are essential, together with the ability to work under pressure. Email colchester@dioceseofbrentwood.org for a full Job Description. Please submit your application in writing, together with a full C.V. and details of two referees, one professional and one personal, to Canon Anthony McKentey, 51, Priory Street, Colchester, Essex, CO1 2QB. Closing date: Friday 5th May 2017.

FILMS FOR FAITH: Films For Faith will be showing *The Ten Commandments* on Wednesday 26th April in the Crypt. Timings: 1:00pm for a 1:15pm start. Refreshments will be provided and all are most welcome.

OUR LADY OF RANSOM CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - RAYLEIGH: is looking to appoint a class teacher for September 2017. The successful candidate will need to be a strong practitioner and the post would suit either an experienced teacher or NQT. Further details can be found on the school website www.olorcps.net or contact the School Office 01268-785741.

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL – Vacancies for 2 posts in Religious Education: a full time post and a part time post. Candidates must be practising Catholics and will join a highly successful R.E. department from September 2017. Closing date: 26th April. Please visit the schools website for more details. <http://fc.tchs.uk.net/Vacancies.shtml>

THE BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: is hosting an evening of classical music in the beautiful surroundings of Ingatestone Hall on Saturday 6th May at 7.30pm. Come and enjoy an exciting and varied programme with three professional musicians performing a selection of classical favourites. Tickets are £25 which includes prosecco and nibbles. For tickets or further information, please call Libby Phillips on 01268 784544 or email lphillips@bccs.org.uk

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: 29th May Bank holiday -2nd June 2017. By Air from Gatwick. Price includes 4* Hotel Full board. Price £545 per person_(based on two people sharing a double/twin room). Full spiritual programme._Fr. Joseph Whistock, Spiritual Director. For further details please contact Sue 07979 746707.

BROTHER GUY CONSOLMAGNO SJ TO SPEAK AT GIDEA PARK:

Brother Guy Consolmagno SJ, Director of the Vatican Observatory, will lead a study day on Saturday 10th June from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. (coffee from 10.30 a.m.) at the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. The theme of the day will be 'God and the Cosmos', and Brother Guy will explore how awareness of the immensity of the creation can lead us to become more familiar with who God is and how God loves us. Admission is free, tea and coffee will be provided, but please bring a packed lunch. Ample free parking is available at the church, which is three minutes' walk from Gidea Park Station. It is essential to book your place (early booking is advised) and this should be done by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com

CATHOLIC PAPERS: Due to the very low take-up of the Catholic Papers provided and the work involved, their supply will be cancelled at the end of the month, You can, of course, ask your newsagent for a regular delivery, take out a subscription or view on line.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: The new sets of envelopes are now available in the Church Porch.

MINISTRY OF WELCOME: We need more volunteers to help in this important Ministry which involves welcoming people to Mass with a hymn book and Newsletter. We need volunteers for all Masses at Priory Street. Please contact Paul Horwood on 01206 852728 if you are willing to help and learn what is entailed

CARDINAL BOURNE HALL BOOKINGS: cb.hall@btinternet.com 07758 805263

CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA: Thursday, 20th April – Team 1.