

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME [C]

(Peace Day)

Saturday 19th**6.15 pm** Intentions : Charles Lynch**Sunday 20th****8:00 am** Kay Night RIP**10:30 am****2:00 pm** Polish Mass**6:30 pm** Parishioners*West Mersea***8:30 am** Michael Hoban RIP*Mile End***9:15 am** Donor's Intentions*Monkwick***10:15 am** Michael Hawken RIP**Monday 21st****St Agnes, V.M.***Church***9.30 am** Thanksgiving**Tuesday 22nd****Feria***Church***9.30 am** Frederick, Elizabeth & Angelo Lucas**Wednesday 23rd****Feria***Church***12.15 pm** Canon John Bloomfield**Thursday 24th****St Francis de Sales, Bp, D***Church***9.30 am** Stephen Hilton RIP**Friday 25th****THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, Ap Feast***Church***9.30 am** James & Mary O'Reilly RIP*Hospital Chapel***12.00 pm** Hospital Mass**Saturday 26th****SS Timothy and Titus, Bpp***Church***9.30 am** Holy Souls**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)****Saturday 26th****6.15 pm****Sunday 27th****8:00 am** Maurice and Kitty Foley RIP**10:30 am** Parishioners**2:00 pm** Polish Mass**6:30 pm***West Mersea***8:30 am***Mile End***9:15 am** Donor's Intentions*Monkwick***10:15 am** Celestine Tighe 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 is available

ST. JAMES THE LESS AND ST. HELEN
CATHOLIC CHURCH, COLCHESTER**WITH MERSEA, MILE END AND MONKWICK**
1 PARISH , 4 CHURCHES, 1 COMMUNITY

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At the wedding feast at Cana, Christ performed the first of the seven signs (miracles) recounted in the Gospel of John. The shortage of wine threatens to spoil the celebration of new love. But the Mother of God notices the need and speaks to her Son. With one word from his mother, Jesus reveals his divinity so that, as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, all people can realise just how much our God rejoices in us. Just as it did for his first disciples, this revelation of glory leads us to deeper belief in Christ. The miracle of "the best wine" continues through the outpouring of spiritual gifts of the Holy Spirit to each individual.

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.

PLEASE SEE MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL CHANGES

DAILY	Rosary/Divine Mercy	8:35am
DAILY	Morning Prayer	9.15am
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

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY: Please join with Pope Francis in praying that young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

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

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION: After all Masses this weekend there will be a collection for *Pax Christi*.

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE: for new-borns and children up to age 6 yrs. will take place on **Thursday: 28th February 2019** here in the Crypt from 7:30pm-9.00pm (entrance to Crypt is via Church). No appointment is necessary. *[If you would like to present a child for Baptism aged 7 or older, please email the Parish Office].*

CAN YOU SPARE AN HOUR OR TWO A MONTH TO CLEAN YOUR CHURCH? Reliable and committed volunteers are URGENTLY REQUIRED to help with cleaning the Church; men or women, retired or working. We clean in teams of two or three and some of us used to bring along our children to sit in the Church quietly while we cleaned. Now we need a new generation of helpers to step in and volunteer. Please contact the Presbytery on (01206) 866317 if you would like to volunteer. *Also looking for a Cleaning Team Leader.*

100 CLUB: The annual subscriptions (£12) for 2019 are now due. Mersea and Monkwick will be collected today and Mile End on Sunday 27th.

RED BOX APPEAL: Next weekend we will welcome Fr Kevin Hughes MHM to give the five-yearly Red Box Appeal that supports our Church family around the world. Thank you to all parishioners who already give to the Pope's official charity for overseas mission – Missio – and Britain's own missionary order, the Mill Hill Missionaries, through the Red Box.

PRIORY STREET THEATRE GROUP: presents their annual pantomime *Cinderella* written by Justin Rowan, on **Friday 25th January 7.30pm & Saturday 26th January 3pm & 7.30pm** in the Cardinal Bourne Hall, Priory Street, Colchester. Admission: Adults £5.00, concessions £2.50. For more information contact Lesley 01206 628003.

WEDNESDAY FILM GROUP: The next Film showing is on **30th January** with a **start time of 1.15pm** screening *WildFlower*. Everyone is most welcome. No Entrance fee just make a donation towards refreshments. Please see noticeboard for future films and dates

GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK BOXES: Calling all supporters of the Good Counsel Network who have a box. It has been 2 years since we appealed for boxes to be emptied. Please do get in touch to organise the collection and emptying of your box for this very good cause. On behalf of the Good Counsel Network we thank you for your support. Contact Anne on 01206-865717

KSC CHRISTMAS DRAW PRIZES: There still remain a few prizes awaiting collection. If you have not collected your prize, please call at the Presbytery, during office hours if possible.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGETO LOURDES: 21- 26 July, under the leadership of Bishop Alan Williams. For details see leaflet or contact Pilgrimage Administrator, Mrs. Cathy O'Connor (01206) 735623 or email cathy@brentwoodlourdes.org

BCYS SUMMER LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 20th – 27th July 2019: Join the **Brentwood Catholic Youth Service** in Lourdes this Summer. Places will be allocated to ensure as many parishes and schools as possible from the diocese are represented and applications will remain open until **31st January 2019**. Where we receive a large number from one school or parish, places will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis. Please be aware, this event is always heavily oversubscribed. The pilgrimage is open to anyone currently in school year 10 and above and the cost will be around £570 (TBC). For all information and the chance to apply, please visit www.bcys.net/events or for any queries, please email gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org

(WYD) WORLD YOUTH DAY, Panama. This week a group of 35 young people, led by Bishop Alan, are travelling to WYD – where Pope Francis meets young people from across the world – taking place in Panama City from **24th-27th January**. The group will also spend time on environmental work in Costa Rica and receiving catechesis in Panama. WYD will be covered on Catholic TV channels EWTN and Salt & Light TV. Follow the young people from our Diocese on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter @BrentwoodCYS. Please keep them all in your prayers.

HEALING SERVICE: If you are feeling stressed, anxious, emotionally/psychologically broken or generally struggling with life, you are warmly invited to attend the English Martyrs' Healing Service from 6-8pm **Saturday 26th January** for emotional, psychological and spiritual healing. To register your attendance please email HealingService@English-Martyrs.com or contact Mandy on 0780 1470 516. English Martyrs RC Church, 240 Alma Ave, Hornchurch RM12 6BJ.

BCYS: Help get the homeless out of the cold! This winter Catholics are leading projects providing 45,000 nights of care, warmth and shelter for the homeless in Essex and East London. Support them! Join 1000 people from across the Diocese sleeping outside for the night at Walsingham House at Abbotswick on **12th-13th April**. No tents! Just you and a sleeping bag. Open to all ages, from 15+. Sponsorship target of £100/participant. Why not ask your company to match fund your sponsorship? Money will help local homeless charities and the work of the BCYS with young people. Mass at 11.15pm, sleep out Midnight – 7am. Full details and sponsor forms <https://bcys.net/events/sponsored-sleepout-walsingham-house-abbotswick/>

ANNUAL LOURDES MASS will be celebrated by Bishop Alan at 3 pm on **Sunday 10 February** at Our Lady of Lourdes, Leigh-on-Sea. During this Mass there will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. It will be lovely to see all those of you who have a particular devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes.

MESSAGE FROM SVP: The SVP would like to thank everyone for their generous donations which will be put to good use supporting the needy at this difficult time of year. If you know of someone who is lonely, housebound or simply in need of a friend or to join, please contact us, using the details below. To support SVP a collection box is at the back of the church.

❖ SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society): Tel: 07493 439427 or email: colchestersvp@gmail.com
❖ CARDINAL BOURNE HALL BOOKINGS: cb.hall@btinternet.com or Tel: 07758 805263 [<i>answerphone only</i> – please leave a message]

CHURCH CLEANERS' ROTA: Monday 21st January: Team 2. 2019 Rota's - envelopes in porch.