

**SATURDAY 18th** **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**  
 17:00 at Greenstead **Solemn Mass**

**SUNDAY 19th** **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**  
 09:00 at Greenstead **Solemn Mass**  
 10:45 at Greenstead **Solemn Mass** *Our Parish Community*

**MONDAY 20th** Feria  
 09:15 at Greenstead Mass *Anne Chapman - Int*

**TUESDAY 21st** Feria  
 09:15 at Greenstead Mass

**WEDNESDAY 22nd** **ST MARY MAGDALENE**  
 09:45 at Greenstead Mass *Eric Archer - RIP*

**THURSDAY 23rd** **ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, Rel**  
 NO MASS

**FRIDAY 24th** Feria  
 19:00 at Greenstead Mass

**SATURDAY 25th** **ST JAMES, Ap**  
 12:00 at Greenstead Mass

Because numbers are limited to 30 in the church, all parishioners need to pre-register their details and Mass preferences in writing to Fr Jon before attending.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** *Please feel free to contact Fr Jon at any time to ask for a Mass intention for yourself or for your family.*

**Chantry List for the coming week:**

We pray for the happy repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially for those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: *Philomena Jones (05); Frank Burgess (10); Christine Wood (97); Eddie Long (17); Shirley Schofield (04); Hubert Bugiel (09); Con Lyons (00). May their souls rest in peace. Amen.*

**Our prayers for the Sick & Suffering include:**

Ellen Kirby, Violet Felton, Lily Dopson, Pat Croucher, Angela L, Barry S, Kerri H, Betty B, Sid B, Maura G, John F, Gary R, Marjorie S, Elaine S, Genette F, John W, Teresa H, Noel K, Christopher D, Dean K, Carmelo S, Peter W, Gina O, Samantha B, Jenny C, John, Isaac Nelson, Ann Mary B, Alice R, Brian B, Steve F, Kay Shaw, Sophia, Jasintha Anton De Madonsa, Catherine Ford.

**THE HOLY FATHERS INTENTIONS FOR JULY.** Our Families: We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

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# St John Payne Catholic Parish

Greenstead, Ardleigh and Mistley

*We of St John Payne Catholic Parish seek to reflect the joyful life-affirming power of Christ's Living Presence among all where Essex meets East Anglia.*



## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> July 2020

### The Lord, Our Merciful Judge

**We stand in continual need of the mercy and forgiveness of God; and we are assured of his forgiveness when we repent, because he has sent us the Spirit of his Son to help us and to plead for us in our weakness.**

*Entrance Antiphon: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.*

*1st Reading: Book of Wisdom After sin you will grant repentance. 12:13. 16-19*

*Responsorial Psalm R/. O Lord, you are good and forgiving.*

*2nd Reading: St Paul to the Romans 8:26-27 The Spirit expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words.*

*Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!*

*Gospel Reading: Matthew: 13:24-43 Let them both grow till the harvest.*



*We would respectfully ask that you please ensure that all mobile phones are switched off while you are in church.*

**FR JON WRITES:** I have received further requests/registrations for Mass allocations as people begin to feel more confident in returning to church. Even so, the numbers are still relatively low. If you haven't yet made your request, or are unsure about returning to church, for whatever reason, I am happy to talk through any anxieties or questions. I would remind those who just haven't got around to writing in that, in compliance with the Government's 'Track & Trace' requirements, it is mandated that people must register before they can attend. As I said in previous weeks, if you are not registered, you CANNOT come to Mass! So, please write or email your preference as soon as you can. – I believe I have contacted all those who have written or emailed their requests, confirming their Mass allocations, but if you have not received a reply from me, I'm sorry, just send me a reminder. Please note that families of up to 5, and living in the same house, may sit together on a single pew.

I still need a few more people to act as Stewards and cleaners as these are essential and, in accordance with the Government's 'Conditions' for reopening, Masses are not permitted without them.

Please note that all toilets will be closed, and you are requested to remain in your seat throughout Mass. Baskets for your offerings are placed at both the entrance and exit to the church.

**Anyone displaying symptoms of Covid-19, or who has any reason to believe that they have been in contact with someone who has, should not attend church or volunteer in any capacity until they have received medical advice that it is safe to do so.**

**HOME COMMUNION:** As the more vulnerable members of our parish will not be able to attend Mass in church due to shielding, Fr Jon will continue to bring Communion to groups of up to five, in open areas and private gardens (weather permitting).

**AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:**

*My Jesus,*

*I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.*

*I love you above all things*

*and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.*

*Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,*

*come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever.*

**THE EVERGREEN LUNCH CLUB** who met every Wednesday in our Church Hall, have now decided to close down. We thank them for all their work with the residents of Greenstead over many years.

**LECTIO DIVINA GROUP** (Sacred Reading) meet on Mondays in Judy's garden/carport at 10.00a.m. for about 45 minutes to pray the following Sunday's Gospel. If you would like to join us there or spiritually from your own home phone Judy on 01206 869601 for details and to enable group numbers to be arranged in line with present rules.

**LOURDES IN YOUR LIVING ROOM:** 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> July. Join us for a full pilgrimage week, with Bishop Alan and hundreds of people from across the Diocese for this virtual pilgrimage, with many prayerful and joyful opportunities for people of all ages. The week includes Mass, Angelus, Rosary, reflections, Morning and Evening Prayer each day, all via YouTube, as well as Stations of the Cross and a Marian Procession. There is now a Handbook for this online Pilgrimage which can be found at <https://bcys.net>. To be part of the virtual Marian ("Torchlight") procession, send photos of yourself, family members and friends each with a lighted candle, to [info@bcys.net](mailto:info@bcys.net). The full pilgrimage information is at <https://bcys.net> including a daily timetable. The pilgrimage is for those of all ages, with a special additional programme for those aged 15-23. It is all completely free.

**CARITAS DIOCESE OF BRENTWOOD** – Development Officer. If you are passionate about supporting local volunteers and have strong experience in training and networking in the charitable sector, this could be your perfect job! Please visit <https://www.caritasbrentwood.org/news/developmentofficer/> for the Job Description and full details of this significant new role, which will help enhance our Gospel mandate to serve and recognise Christ in the poor, and in those on the edges. The deadline to apply is October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020 and the start date is January 2021.

**BISHOP ALAN'S MESSAGE FOR YEAR 6:** The Bishop is keen for those in Year 6 to know that he is praying for them at a time which has been so disruptive and unusual – and indeed he is praying for all those in school communities who are working so hard, as you have been ever since March, and in some cases with no break at all. Hopefully the summer will be a time to rest and recharge, ready for September. See the message here: <https://youtu.be/RIoKpIsTaws>

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS:** We currently receive income from standing orders for which we are extremely grateful. You can make regular or one-off donations at any time at <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=greenstead-with-ardleigh-and-mistley> where you can also find Gift Aid forms if you are a taxpayer. If you wish to set up a standing order email [sjpchurch@btinternet.com](mailto:sjpchurch@btinternet.com) for details.

**NEWSLETTER:** Send items for next week's newsletter by Wednesday evening to Carol Batchelor in the Church Office at [sjpchurch@btinternet.com](mailto:sjpchurch@btinternet.com)

**View newsletters online** at [www.stjohnpayne.org.uk/weekly-newsletters](http://www.stjohnpayne.org.uk/weekly-newsletters)

**FR JON'S PRAYER FOR THE WHOLE PARISH:**

*May Our Lady's love embrace us;*

*May St Michael guard and protect us;*

*May St John Payne, and all the saints pray for us;*

*And may Almighty God bless us, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*