

SATURDAY	15 th	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) Solemn Vigil Mass
17:00		
SUNDAY	16 th	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) Solemn Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i>
09:00		
10:45		Solemn Mass <i>Decd. members of Mathew + Jilmy's family (MS)</i>
16:00		Solemn Mass (Ordinariate Use)
MONDAY	17 th	Feria
09:15		Mass
TUESDAY	18 th	Feria
		<i>No Mass</i>
WEDNESDAY	19 th	Feria
		<i>No Mass</i>
THURSDAY	20 th	Feria
		<i>No Mass</i>
FRIDAY	21 st	Feria
19:30		Mass
SATURDAY	22 nd	Feria
12 Noon		Mass
17:00		Solemn Vigil Mass

CONFESSIONS are heard on Saturdays from 11:15-11:45 or by appointment.

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: *Pasqualina Goldsworthy (03); Les Colley (03); Stephen Coyle (81); Jean Henderson (12); Patricia Hyam (07); Kathleen Crook (19); Teresa McClean (97); Conor Ryan (96). May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Our prayers for the Sick & Suffering include: Angela L, Barry S, Kerri H, Betty B, Maura G, Sid B, John F, Gary R, Lily Dopson, Marjorie S, Elaine S, Genette F, John W, Teresa H, Noel K, Dean K, Christopher D, Peter W, Gina O, Carmelo S, Samantha B, Jenny C, John, Isaac Nelson, Ann Mary B, Brian B, Kay Shaw, Grace Gosling-Campbell, Joan Kerins, Beth Thompson, Jenny Crane.

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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.



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

16th April 2023

(Divine Mercy Sunday)

Our Easter Joy

Today as we hail Christ as our Lord and God we are filled with the joy of the disciples in seeing the risen Lord. In this season of renewal we are like those early Christians who were 'filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described'.

Entrance Antiphon: *Like newborn children you should thirst for milk, on which your spirit can grow to strength, alleluia.*

1st Reading:
Acts 2:42-47

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common.

Responsorial Psalm

R/. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

2nd Reading:
Peter 1:3-9

In his great mercy he has given us a new birth as his sons by raising Jesus from the dead.

Gospel Acclamation

R/. Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe'.

R/. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading:
John 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came.



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

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: that peace and non-violence may spread through the decreasing use of weapons by states and citizens.

I am pleased to be able to announce that **as of Easter Sunday, and all Sundays thereafter, Holy Communion will be offered in both kinds.** It will not be available on weekdays. This is a 'permissive' restoration of the chalice, which is to say, it is not mandatory or obligatory.

It should be remembered that the reception of Holy Communion in either kind, be it the Lord's Body or his Precious Blood (*the bread or the wine*) is still 'full and complete' Communion: '*Christ is present whole and entire in each of the species and whole and entire in each of their parts.*'(CCC1377)

That being so, those who do not feel able to receive from the chalice, for whatever reason, should be reassured, and completely at ease in their decision.

That said, some people who are perhaps unsure, or remain anxious about drinking from the chalice may, by way of compromise, be tempted to opt for '*intinction*' (dipping the host into the chalice). **This is not allowed** as it is prohibited by Papal Mandate.

In order to best prepare for this, I need a clear indication from all those Eucharistic Ministers who wish to resume their ministry. And so, please drop me a brief note or email within the next week or so, in order that a timely rota may be produced. Once I have received peoples' responses, I will write to all the continuing ministers detailing the new protocol.

It is also my intention to bring back the use of incense at the 10:45 Mass on Sundays, and on special Feasts and Solemnities.

Further, I believe the physical sharing of the Peace may also be restored. But I would ask that this is done carefully and sensitively, being particularly mindful of those who may not want or welcome physical contact. A friendly smile is every bit as good as a handshake! **God bless you all. ✨ Fr Jon.**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every 1st Sunday of the month between 4 - 5^{pm}, beginning with Evening Prayer, we have a Holy Hour of hymns, prayer, and readings before the Blessed Sacrament, '*the source and summit of our faith*'. Next Date: **7th May 2023.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: the preparation programme for anyone in school year 3 and above continues on **Saturdays at 10am** in the SJP Church Hall. Please contact Grace on tel. 07917 784232.

MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION: Many thanks to everyone for a beautiful celebration of Easter, with my particular thanks to those who helped in the Liturgy and all those who prepared the Church. Thank you everyone for your cards, good wishes and your generous Easter offering. **God bless you all. ✨ Fr Jon.**

PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS: Please send **all** correspondence, and Newsletter items (by Wednesday evening) to: greenstead@dioceseofbrentwood.org

OFFERTORIES: Week ending 9th April: Holy places £60.00; Food Bank £45.00; Missio Red Boxes £13.29; Art Group £182.00. **Thank you!**

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP meets every Tuesday, in the SJP Church Hall, from 10.00 – 10.45. Come and join this friendly group as we pray the Gospel Reading for the following Sunday. Copies of the reading are supplied. There is usually a bit of social time afterwards. For further information see Judy after Mass or tel. 07530956440.

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: The next collection from SJP will be on Sunday 14th May. You can donate at any time: just call me on 07582 502188. Thank you! James

ST. JOHN PAYNE ART GROUP would like to invite you to join us for a coffee and cake on the morning of **MONDAY 8TH MAY** to celebrate the King's Coronation. His Majesty has asked that people treat this as a volunteer day and so we are hoping to raise money with some sales for the people of Ukraine.

REFUGEE COMMUNITY SUPPORT UPDATE: We have had a number of meetings with Essex County Council, Colchester City Council, and with Essex Integration, who are tasked with finding homes for the Afghan families currently living in 'bridging hotels' in Essex. As the Government has recently announced that, from the end of April, it will start serving notices to evict the Afghan families from the hotels, we are hopeful that we will soon have a family move into the house in Colchester.

CLASSICAL SINGING TRIO 'THE PRIESTS' are coming back to Brentwood Cathedral on **Friday 30th June at 7.30pm**, to perform a charity concert in aid of Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. Tickets are £30 plus booking fee and are available to purchase immediately via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-priests-charity-concert-tickets-528414691567>

For all information regarding parking and disabled access etc., please visit BCCS webpage here and click on '**The Priests**' – **Charity Concert:**

<https://www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events/>

All proceeds from this charity concert will go directly to supporting children, young people and families who are struggling with emotional health difficulties in our community.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT: On Saturday 20th May, Lindsay and James Francis will once again be hiking 26 miles to raise money for Macmillan, in memory of Tim Francis and Margaret Snelling. The route this time is along the north Norfolk coast, from Cromer to Holkham Hall. Any donations to help Macmillan to continue their amazing support for those with cancer and their families will be very welcome. You can donate via our Just Giving page or to Lindsay or James:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/timothyfrancis2023>

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<https://stjohnpayne.org.uk/newsletter>.