

SATURDAY	15th	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
17:00		Solemn Vigil Mass
SUNDAY	16th	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
09:00		Solemn Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i>
10:45		Solemn Mass
MONDAY	17th	Feria <i>Anne Smith – RIP (AM)</i>
09:15		Mass
TUESDAY	18th	Feria <i>Ita Sheehan – Int (Lectio Divina Group)</i>
09:15		Mass
WEDNESDAY	19th	Feria
09:45		Mass <i>John Prager – RIP (PP)</i>
THURSDAY	20th	Feria
		No Mass
FRIDAY	21st	Feria
19:30		Mass
SATURDAY	22nd	ST MARY MAGDALENE
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: *Anne Rodgers (16); Dom Clark (19); John Gormley (86); John Wood (87); Lilian Slow (96); Frank Burgess (10); Eddie Long (17). 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.



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

16th July 2023

Christ, The Sower

We celebrate Christ who came to sow the seed of God's word in the world, and we rejoice with him as we see everywhere around us the first-fruits of the Spirit.

Entrance Antiphon: In my justice I shall see your face, O Lord; when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11 The rain makes the earth give growth.

Responsorial Psalm R/. Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:18-23 The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons.

Gospel Acclamation R/. Alleluia, alleluia!
Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life.
R/. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:1-23 A sower went out to sow.



THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JULY: that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

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: **Sunday 6th August 2023.**

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 one of the readings 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.

WOULD YOU VALUE SOME FRIENDLY SUPPORT DURING A TIME OF LOSS OR EMOTIONAL ANXIETY? Confidentiality will be respected. If you are interested in finding out more why not drop into SJP Church Hall on the **second Wednesday of every month**, between 10.30-11.30 a.m., or phone Judy on 07530956440

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: Thank you for your donations! We collected 23.5kg of items for the Food Bank last weekend. As food price inflation and the cost of living crisis continues to disproportionately affect the poorest, the Foodbank has run out of or is critically low on the following items: Shampoo/conditioner; soap; washing up liquid; nappies sizes 5, 6 and 7; deodorants; toilet rolls; soups; tinned fish; pasta sauce; tea bags 80's; coffee; rice; pasta; tomato ketchup; peanut butter / chocolate spread / jam. The next collection from SJP will be on **Sunday 13th August**, or you can donate at any time: just call me on 07582 502188. Thank you! James

PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION & PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE, TO WALSINGHAM, SATURDAY 5TH AUGUST, LED BY ARCHBISHOP KEVIN MCDONALD: Please join in the 'great prayer for life' asked for by Pope Saint John Paul II. For details go to: www.prolifepilgrimage.org
There is great need for prayer. The UK Government have pressed on with their determination to impose abortion on the unwilling population of Northern Ireland. Abortions in Scotland have reached a record high. There is continued pressure to introduce Assisted Suicide, a Parliamentary Committee in England and Wales is currently taking evidence. Looking more widely there is increasingly aggressive silencing of views opposed to the liberal agenda, the latest examples being the arrest of a woman for silently praying outside an abortion clinic which was not even open, and the imposition of 'buffer zones' around abortion facilities.

PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS – PLEASE NOTE THE EMAIL ADDRESS HAS CHANGED: Please send **all** correspondence, and Newsletter items (by Wednesday evening) to: greenstead@brcdt.org

OFFERTORIES: Week ending 9th July: Offertory £292.08; Stella Maris £227.10; Art Group £223.00; Food Bank £85.00. **Thank you!**

YEAR 13 RETREAT AT WALSINGHAM HOUSE: MADE FOR A PURPOSE. Will you be in school Yr13 in September 2023? Are you currently making decisions about your next steps? Would you like some time to step back, reflect, pray and think about the different pathways ahead of you? Then if so, the Yr13 retreat at Walsingham House is just the opportunity to do that. There will be two retreats on offer, either 13th-15th Sept or 22nd-24th Sept. The cost is £35 and there is more information on the website www.bcys.net/events/ or email clairebailey@brcdt.org

LONDON MARATHON 2024: Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has a number of Gold Bond Charity places for runners in the London Marathon taking place on **Sunday 21st April 2024**. If you are an experienced runner or someone who would value the opportunity to participate in this renowned event please contact Damian Dillon for further details on 07912 308000 / ddillon@bccs.org.uk. The closing date for completed applications is Friday 28th July and please note that there is a minimum sponsorship requirement of £1800 (excluding Gift Aid). If you have been lucky enough to secure your own running place through the ballot, we would invite you to join us and run for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. The London Marathon is a unique opportunity to raise much needed funds for the Diocesan Children's Society and perhaps achieve a lifetime ambition at the same time.

PROPERTY ASSISTANT – CATHEDRAL HOUSE VACANCY: To provide a comprehensive, effective and efficient administrative support service to the Diocesan Director of Property and the Property Office team. 35 hours per week. Office Based. Closing date for applications is 30th July 2023. Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) to recruitment@brcdt.org

WORLD YOUTH DAY AT HOME: World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with Pope Francis, taking place in Lisbon this summer. If you can't attend the main event, why not join **WYD in London** run by the Religious of the Assumption - a day celebration on **Saturday 5th August 2023** from 11am-5pm in the church by **Leicester Square**. Programme: music • prayer • talks • activities • Mass, bringing together a young community of different nationalities in one faith! Venue: Notre Dame de France, 5 Leicester Place, London WC2H 7BX. Donations only. **To register** a group or individually, please contact:

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