SATURDAY	22 nd	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
17:00		Solemn Vigil Mass
SUNDAY	23 rd	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
09:00		Solemn Mass Our Parish Community
10:45		Solemn Mass Eric Archer – RIP (JH-A)
MONDAY	24^{th}	Feria
09:15		Mass The Holy Souls in Purgatory –RIP (GO'C)
TUESDAY	25^{th}	ST JAMES, Ap
09:15		Mass
WEDNESDAY	26 th	Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of Blessed Virgin Mary
		No Mass
THURSDAY	27 th	Feria
		No Mass
FRIDAY	28 th	Feria
		No Mass
SATURDAY	29 th	Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus
		No Mass at 12 noon
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: *Shirley Schofield* (04); *Christine Wood* (97); *Hubert Bugiel* (09); *Con Lyons* (00); *Philomena Jones* (05); *Hilary Cotton* (87); *Elvira Golt* (92); *Adeline Mahoney* (93); *Angela Hannon* (01); *Francis Connor* (03); *Eleanor Morrell* (86). **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; Evelyn Korinth.

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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 23rd July 2023 (World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly)

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:	God himself is my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will offer you a willing sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness.
1 st Reading: Wisdom 12:13.16-19	After sin you will grant repentance.
Responsorial Psalm	R/. O Lord, you are good and forgiving.
2 nd Reading: Romans 8:26-27	The Spirit expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words.
Gospel Acclamation	R/. 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. R/. Alleluia!
Gospel Reading:	
Matthew 13:24-43	Let them both grow till the harvest.



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

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.

EUCHARISTIC 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: 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

REFUGEE COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP UPDATE: 14 months after the initial meeting of the Group was held at SJP, we are delighted to be welcoming an Afghan family who will be moving into the house in Colchester in the coming days. Thank you to all our parishioners who have generously donated time, money and household items to enable this family to move out of hotel accommodation and into their own, secure home. Please continue to pray for the family as they settle into their new life in Colchester, and for the Group volunteers who are supporting them. Lindsay Francis.

LADIES COFFEE MORNING: Thursday 3rd August 10:30am -12pm. We meet for coffee and a catch up, please try and make this meeting as numbers are falling and new members are very welcome! Any suggestions welcome for future events. Please contact Maureen Bulmer on 01206 826491.

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 16th July: Offertory £225.57; Stella Maris £5.00; Peter's Pence £5.00; Missio Red Boxes £10.00. **Thank you!**

SITE MANAGER - CATHEDRAL HOUSE VACANCY: The successful applicant will identify and carry out effectively, routine and reactive maintenance tasks, regular health and safety checks and other general duties associated with the management of buildings and grounds comprising the Cathedral House and the Brentwood Parish. 35 hours per week. Salary: £23,000 - £27,000 pa depending on experience. Start Date: ASAP. Closing date for applications is 14th August 2023. Apply by sending a CV and covering letter (no longer than A4) recruitment@brcdt.org

PRO-LIFE COFFEE MORNING: You are warmly invited to a coffee morning on Tuesday 8th August, 10.30am-12.30pm at the home of Clare Fox, Cherry Tree Farm, Bromley Rd, Ardleigh CO7 7SG. Come and enjoy a morning of tea, coffee and cakes with the opportunity to raise funds for and find out more about the life changing work of March for Life UK.

COULD YOU DONATE TOOTHBRUSHES & DISPOSABLE RAZORS FOR REFUGEES?

Founded in 2017 after the demolition of 'The Jungle' refugee camp in Calais, Roots, a charity based in Dunkirk, provides displaced people with essential basic services such as drinking water, hot showers, waste management and access to electricity. Calais Light has sourced deliveries of toiletries from corporate donors for Roots, but none have offered toothbrushes or disposable razors, which are now really needed. Roots has plenty of toothpaste! Could you add a pack of disposable razors and / or a couple of toothbrushes to your weekly shop? Calais Light will then ensure that they are delivered to Roots in Dunkirk. Please telephone Lindsay Francis on 07977917554 for more information, or see Lindsay or James after mass. Many thanks!

THE KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA NATIONAL RELIC TOUR 2023: From 30th July to 12th August, we welcome you to witness and venerate the sacred relics of St. Columba of Iona, St. Andrew the Apostle, and St. Margaret of Scotland. These relics, rich in spiritual significance, offer a unique opportunity for personal reflection and communion with these revered saints. Join us in this profound spiritual journey as we celebrate their enduring legacies. Stay tuned for more details and event schedules. Let us come together in faith and embrace the blessings of this extraordinary experience! Please use link below for dates, times and places the Relics can be viewed throughout the Diocese:

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