

SATURDAY	2 nd	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Solemn Vigil Mass <i>John + Tess Stevens – RIP (CFH)</i>
17:00		
SUNDAY	3 rd	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Solemn Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i>
09:00		
10:45		Solemn Mass <i>Gino Diaferia – RIP</i>
16:00		Eucharistic Adoration
MONDAY	4 th	Feria
10:00		Mass
TUESDAY	5 th	Feria
09:15		Mass
WEDNESDAY	6 th	Feria
		<i>No Mass</i>
THURSDAY	7 th	Feria
		<i>No Mass</i>
FRIDAY	8 th	THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
19:30		Mass
SATURDAY	9 th	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: *Joseph Henley (88); Cynthia Elliott (11); Joan Foley (01); Kitty Bruce (93); Jean Kennedy (88); Michael Francis (03). 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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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.



Christ Who Overcame The Reluctance Of The Flesh

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

3rd September 2023

It comes to us as no surprise that the Prophet Jeremiah should have felt reluctance to offer himself as a living sacrifice to God's will, because we all experience the same reluctance to accept the cross. But what consolation it is to know that Christ experienced the same reluctance of the flesh and had to struggle to overcome it.

Entrance Antiphon: *I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord. You are good and forgiving, full of love for all who call to you.*

1st Reading:

Jeremiah 20:7-9

The word of the Lord has meant insult for me.

Responsorial Psalm

R/. For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

2nd Reading:

Romans 12:1-2

Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice.

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 16:21-27

If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.



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

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER: that those people living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions, may not be overlooked by institutions and never be considered of lesser importance.

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 3rd September 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

COUNTERS: We are in need of volunteers to help count the Sunday collections. It is hoped that a few people will feel able to help to make up a team of counters, working in pairs, to go on a rota. Ideally, this would mean giving just an hour or so, once a month at most. If you are interested, or want to find out a little more of what is involved, please speak to Fr Jon.

LADIES COFFEE MORNING: 10:30-12:00pm on Thursday 7th September in SJP Church Hall. We meet for coffee and a chat and to prepare for our next meeting which will be our Macmillan Coffee Morning. For the September meeting, if you have any hobbies or crafts please bring them along to share with us. Contact Maureen on 01206 826491.

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK - THANK YOU FOR HELPING THOSE IN NEED: The next collection for the Food Bank from SJP will be on **Sunday 10th September**, or you can donate at any time: just call me on 07582 502188. Thank you! James

MISSIO - THE POPE'S CHARITY FOR WORLD MISSION: You are invited to spend an afternoon with Missio on **Saturday 16th September** 2023 at Our Lady of Light & St Osyth Church, 1 Church Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 6AG. Join Fr Anthony Chantry, National Director, and Fr Patrick, Diocesan Director for Missio. The event will commence with Mass at 11am, followed by presentations from Missionary Priests in the parish hall. Please bring a packed lunch. Teas, coffees, and cakes provided. Email Clacton@brcdt.org for further details.

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

OFFERTORIES: Week ending 27th August 2023: Offertory £292.77; Holy Places £10.00; Fr Berhane £100.00. **Thank you!**

BCYS YOUTH MASS: Thursday 7th September, from 6pm at Brentwood Cathedral Pizza & refreshments in the Brentwood Cathedral Parish Hall from 6pm, with a chance to catch up with those from pilgrimages this summer or perhaps find out more if you are thinking about joining the BCYS Lourdes or World Youth Day Pilgrimages in the future. Youth Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 7:30pm. Absolutely everyone is welcome, please bring instruments, and sing, serve or read if you wish! No need to book! **YOUTH MASS always takes place on the first Thursday of the month at Brentwood Cathedral, and coming up this term there is input from charitable organisations in October, the fantastic David Wells speaking in November and an Advent Reconciliation service in December.**

BCYS YEAR 13 RETREATS – Wednesday 13th – Friday 15th September OR Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th September at Walsingham House at Abbotswick. You are made for a purpose. Going into year 13, you may be about to make big or tough decisions about your future, wondering what God may have planned for you or where to go next. This retreat is time to think, pray, chat with those in your year from across Essex and East London, and get a good focus for the future, right at the start of Year 13. It will take place in our beautiful Diocesan youth retreat house Walsingham House at Abbotswick, just outside Brentwood. For just £35, the cost will include meals, accommodation and youth-led formation. Last few places are remaining so APPLY NOW AT www.bcys.net/events/year13weekday/

THE SEASON OF CREATION is approaching fast, the time of year when the world's 2.2 billion Christians are invited to pray and care for our common home, a time to pray and act on ecological issues. St Teresa's, Lexden, will be holding an afternoon of prayer and reflection on **Sunday 24 September**. People are welcome to join us at any time between 2 pm and 4 pm. There will be prayer stations based on this year's theme, 'Let Peace and Justice Flow', reflections and activities. The afternoon will conclude with a short Taize-style ecumenical prayer service followed by tea and cake in the parish hall.

BCYS YOUTH GATHER – Saturday 21st – Sunday 22nd October, at Essex Outdoors on Mersea Island. Open to absolutely anyone in year 9 and above, this is a weekend of outdoor activities (climbing, high ropes, archery, zip wire) as well as prayer, reflection and input from the amazing Adenike, who was a semi-finalist on "The Voice" (many will remember her from Flame in March!). There will be coaches picking up from 6 different locations around the Diocese, and this is included in the cost of the weekend, as well as all food, accommodation, 2 outdoor activities, workshops from Adenike and the SVP and so much more! This is always a popular event, so do ensure to apply for your place now at www.bcys.net/events/yg23

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