

SATURDAY	4th	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Solemn Vigil Mass
17:00		
SUNDAY	5th	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Solemn Mass
09:00		<i>Our Parish Community</i>
10:45		Solemn Mass <i>Camilla + David White – Int (GO’C)</i>
16:00		Eucharistic Adoration
MONDAY	6th	Feria
09:15		Mass
TUESDAY	7th	Feria
		<i>No Mass</i>
WEDNESDAY	8th	Feria
		<i>No Mass</i>
THURSDAY	9th	DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
		<i>No Mass</i>
FRIDAY	10th	St Leo the Great, Pr, D
		<i>No Mass</i>
SATURDAY	11th	St Martin of Tours, Bp
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: *Anita MacArthur (14); Geoffrey Keene (89); Bernard Day (92); Jim Lyons (05); Pat Croucher (20); Michael Baines-Holgate (88); Patrick O’Hara (04); Derrick Gomez (11); May Keegan (82).* **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.



THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

5th November 2023

God’s Message Of Eternal Life

How easy it is for human pride to falsify God’s message, to make capital out of it. Today let us honour God in humility, sincerity and truth.

Entrance Antiphon: Do not abandon me, Lord. My God, do not go away from me! Hurry to help me, Lord, my Saviour.

1st Reading:

Malachi 1:14-2:2.8-10 You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching.

Responsorial Psalm

R/. Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

2nd Reading:

Thessalonians 2:7-9.13

We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well.

Gospel Acclamation

R/. Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.

R/. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 23:1-12

They do not practice what they preach.



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

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER: that the Holy Father, as he fulfils his mission, may continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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 5th November 2023.**

CALLING ALL APPLICANTS FOR 2024 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION AND 2024 CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: A meeting was held in the SJP Church Hall at 11.00am on Saturday 4th November. If anyone who was unable to attend would like more information, or if anyone who did attend has any queries, please contact Grace on 07917784232 or speak to Fr Jon or Grace after Mass.

MONTH OF HOLY SOULS: It is Fr Jon's custom during the month of November to pray as part of his Daily Office for the souls of departed loved ones. If you would like a loved one included, please take one of the envelopes provided, enclose the names of your loved ones (preferably written in block capitals) and return it to Fr Jon.

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 am, or phone Judy on 07530956440. **Please note there will be no meeting in November; the next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th December.**

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.

SJP PAINTERS EXHIBITION: Please join us from 12.30pm on **Saturday 18th November** for an exhibition of our work with a chance to buy paintings, cards, candles, decorations etc. Free refreshments will be served. Money raised is to go to the Church this winter as we face more bills for heating. We look forward to seeing you! Ann and the artists.

MEMORIAL MASS AT WALSINGHAM HOUSE AT ABBOTSWICK: the Friends of Abbotswick Memorial Mass, for those with loved ones remembered within the grounds at Abbotswick, will be held at 3pm on **Sunday 12th November**. If you wish to attend please email Claire at clairebailey@brcdt.org or phone 01277 373959.

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

OFFERTORIES: Week ending 29th October 2023: Offertory £322.91; Catholic Education Service £10.00; CAFOD Harvest Fast Day £10.00. **Thank you!**

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK - THANK YOU FOR HELPING THOSE IN NEED: A major study published by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation last week reveals an explosion of poverty in the UK. More than 1 million children experienced destitution last year – meaning that their families could not afford to adequately feed, clothe, wash, or keep them warm. The study found that severe material hardship was “no longer a rare occurrence”, with rates of destitution more than doubling in the last 5 years as a result of benefits cuts and cost of living pressures, leaving struggling households increasingly reliant on regular charity handouts. **The next regular collection for the Colchester Food Bank from SJP will be on Sunday 12th November**, or you can donate at any time: just call me on 07582 502188. *The Foodbank has particular need of: long life milk and fruit juice; tinned fruit/ meat/ tuna/ beans/ vegetables; multi-packs of e.g. Golf, Kit-Kats etc.; shampoo; shower gel; deodorant; toothpaste; shaving gel/foam; washing powder/ gel/ tabs; nappies sizes 5, 6 and 7. If you would like to donate Christmas food (such as mince pies, chocolate selection packs, Christmas puddings) and advent calendars, the Knights of St Columba have offered to take these to the Foodbank after masses on 18/19 November.* Thank you! James

BCSS TREE OF ANGELS: This November, Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is pleased to re-launch their virtual **Tree of Angels** which will allow you to light up a symbolic angel on a virtual Christmas tree in memory of a loved one who has died, and to make a donation to the work of BCCS. Please visit www.bccs.org.uk and click on the Christmas tab where you will see 'Tree of Angels'. You can read more about this initiative and can click onto the Tree of Angels portal to make your dedication and secure donation. If you have any questions about lighting an angel, please contact Damian ddillon@bccs.org.uk.

NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA AND RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA & FRANCISCO: **On Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th November 2023 the World Apostolate of Fatima, England and Wales is bringing the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue to the Parish of St James the Less and St Helen, Priory Street, Colchester.** This beautiful statue was blessed by Pope St Paul VI and given to our country by the Bishop of Fatima in 1968 to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the apparitions and to make known the important message of Fatima. Pope St John Paul II said the Fatima message *“is the true Gospel of Christ presented anew to our generation... Let us receive the light that comes from Fatima, let us be guided by Mary.”* All are invited and encouraged to come and see this beautiful National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, with the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco.

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