SATURDAY	**7th**	**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**	
17:00		**Vigil Mass**	*James & John Lodge - RIP*
SUNDAY	**8th**	**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**	
09:00		**Mass**	*Our Parish Community*
10:45		**Sung High Mass**	*Bernard Roughan & Others - RIP*
16:00		**Requiem Mass (Divine Worship)**	*Faithful Departed of World Wars*
MONDAY	**9th**	**THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA**	
07:30		Mass	*Daniel Fisher & Others - RIP*
TUESDAY	**10th**	**St Leo the Great, P, D**	
		No Mass	
WEDNESDAY	**11th**	**St Martin of Tours, Bp**	
12:00		Mass	*John Seeto & Others - RIP*
THURSDAY	**12th**	**St Josaphat, Bp, M**	
19:00		Mass (Divine Worship)	*Nathaniel Bacalso & Others - RIP*
FRIDAY	**13th**	**Feria**	
12:00		Mass	*Catherine Ekpo - RIP*
SATURDAY	**14th**	**St Mary on Saturday**	
08:00		*Exposition and Benediction*	
09:00		Mass	*Ann & Ken Poxon - RIP*
17:00		**Vigil Mass for THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	
			Des Fuller - RIP
SUNDAY	**15th**	**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)**	
09:00		**Mass**	*Mrs Macillina I & Others - RIP*
10:45		**Sung High Mass**	*Brian Bruce & Maureen Ramsay - RIP*
16:00		**Mass (DW)**	*Our Parish Community*

***CONFESSIONS** are heard half an hour before Masses, **Saturdays from 16:00** or by appointment.*

Chantry List for the coming week: We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially for those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: *Michael Baines-Holgate; Patrick O'Hara; Derrick Gomez; Margaret Slater; Lil Cook.* ***May they rest in peace. Amen.***

Our prayers for the Sick & Suffering include: Angela L, Barry S, Kerri H, Maura G, Sid B, Marjorie S, Genette F, Teresa H, Noel K, Dean K, Christopher D, Peter W, Gina O, Carmelo S, Samantha B, John, Isaac Nelson, Ann Mary B, Brian B, Grace Gosling-Campbell, Beth Thompson, Evelyn Korinth, Samson, Pamela Boulden, Holly Flatman, John Devraj, Coral, Lorica Bagain, Violetta.

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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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
8th November 2026
Remembrance Sunday

1st Reading:
Wisdom 6:12-16 *'Wisdom is found by those who seek her.'*

Responsorial Psalm: ***R/ For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.***

2nd Reading:
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *'Through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.'*

Gospel Reading:
Matthew 25:1-13 *'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'*

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Saturday 5th December 11:00 – 15:00.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT - Saturday 12th December 14:00 – 15:00.

Featuring the premier performance of "A Light to Shine, a brand new musical setting of the Nativity, with music and lyrics written by our very own musical director, James Bates.
Free entry. Retiring collection in aid of church funds. Afternoon tea will be served in the Church Hall after the performance.

CAROL SERVICE - Sunday 20th December 15:00.



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THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER: For the proper use of wealth.
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity with those who have less.

WEDNESDAY EVENING COURSE: *Please note there will be no course this week.*

PARISH BOOK CLUB: Saturday 14th November at 13:00. Lunch provided! Our Parish Book Club is starting on Saturday 14th November, and meeting in the Church Hall every few months. Our first book is '*Brideshead Revisited*' by Evelyn Waugh. If you are interested in coming, and would like a copy of the book, we have a few second hand copies available, in the Repository. Alternatively, the highly acclaimed 11-part TV series is available to stream free on *itvx. Don't worry if you haven't read the book or seen the TV series! The book deals with universal Catholic themes which we can discuss over lunch!*

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: Our regular monthly collection of food, nappies and toiletries is this Sunday 8th November. Our next collection will then be on **Sunday 13th December.** Please consider donating Christmas food and treats to help the increasing number of local families who are struggling with the cost of living to celebrate Christmas.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: We will be proceeding with an application to start our own St John Payne Parish SVP conference. Our next meeting is on **Sunday 29th November at 12:30** in the Church Hall. All are welcome to come and find out more about SVP and what we can do to help our neighbours!

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – SAVE THE DATE! Our Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 5th December from 11:00 to 15:00. Volunteers needed! We are seeking donations for our raffle. If anyone knows of a company or organisation which would be prepared to donate a gift, voucher or service, please speak to Tom or Mary. We are also seeking donations for our bottle stall; items for the children's tombola; new and unused gifts; toiletries etc.

REPOSITORY NEWS: We are getting ready for Christmas! We have diaries, boxes of Christmas cards as well as individual cards, Christmas candles and lots more! Christmas Fayre Raffle Tickets are on sale ready for our Church Christmas Fayre which will take place on Saturday 5th December. If there is something special you are looking to purchase via the Repository, please talk to myself or Father Alex. We have a catalogue of items which we can order in for you. *Ann Roughan*

RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic, please speak to Fr Alex. Preparation will begin this Autumn.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: takes place from Monday 5th to Friday 9th April 2027. Families and individuals all welcome. The cost is £1,327 per person (there is a children's discount of £245; and a single room supplement of £200). The cost includes: return flights from Stansted to Rome Ciampino airport; transfers to and from the hotel in Rome; hotel accommodation on a half-board basis (i.e. breakfast and dinner included), group activities and excursions and travel insurance (for UK residents aged under 85 years). We will attend Mass each day and the Papal Audience on the Wednesday. Please speak to Fr Alex if you have questions or would like to come. Booking forms now available. See posters and the itinerary for more information.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP: If anyone would be interested in setting up a youth group for our young people, please speak to Fr Alex or Nnennaya.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Our Children's singing group meets in the Church Hall on Saturdays from 10:00 – 11:15. This is aimed at children aged 7 and above, but younger children may be included if they are keen to learn. **Parents must accompany children**; but tea and coffee will be available.

ADULT CHOIR: We also hold rehearsals for our adult singers on Saturday mornings, from 11:15 – 12:30. No experience necessary! All welcome!

CHRISTMAS CRIB / NATIVITY STABLE: If anyone has woodworking / construction skills and would be prepared to create a new Christmas Crib / Nativity Stable for our Church, please speak to Fr Alex!

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS: Pick up a catalogue in the Church foyer, or see the poster to find out more!

GREENSTEAD YOUTH CLUB: resumes in the Church Hall every Thursday from Thursday 5th November, 18:00 – 20:00. Ages 11-16 welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS: Offering Mass for someone living or dead is a powerful form of prayer. If you would like to have a Mass offered, then please use one of the envelopes provided in the foyer or speak to Fr Alex, giving the name of the person and preferred date.

STANDING ORDERS AND GIFT AID*:* Have you thought about giving by standing order? This really helps us to manage our finances. Gift-aiding your donations enables the Parish to reclaim tax at no cost to you! Please speak to Yemi for more information.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: If you have any questions or concerns about safeguarding, or need a new or renewed DBS certificate for a volunteer role in the Parish, please contact Lindsay Francis on 07977917554 or Mike Sheehan on 07493777225; or by email at Safeguarding-greenstead@brcdt.org or via the Parish Office.

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