

Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth
National Shrine of Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit

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Come Holy Spirit, by means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Your well-beloved spouse. Amen.



Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, I give thee my whole self, soul and body, all that I have or may have, to keep for Jesus, that I may be His for evermore. Amen.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

(World Communications Day)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS: This week:

- ❖ *Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Fr Jim McCormack (Theresa & Angela)*
- ❖ *Our Lady of Light Chapel: Fr Jim McCormack (Theresa & Angela)*

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: Please make your weekly offerings by standing order.

If you are a taxpayer, you can Gift Aid the amount without any cost to yourself. The parish bank details are:

Bank Title: Catholic Church Clacton-on-Sea

Sort Code 401322 Account Number: 41020463.

Members of the gift-aid scheme should quote their name and Gift Aid number in the Reference. Funds received last week:

Standing Order Offerings £1528.00 of which £1317.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £861.92 of which £85.00 was gift aided.

Thank you for your generosity, for Gift Aiding your offerings, and for your support of the Parish. Fr Patrick.

JOHN 17:11-19

In the Gospel from John, we are given 'The Priestly Prayer of Christ'. Jesus raised His eyes to heaven and petitioned God the Father for our protection and love. This prayer of intercession was said by Jesus immediately before His arrest and Passion. If you look carefully at the words, the contents of the prayer reflect The Lord's Prayer – the prayer given to us by Jesus. He prayed for us to be like the Father and the Son; to fully share in the joy of God; to be protected from the evil one; to be consecrated in the truth.

This is the eternal prayer of Our High Priest. This prayer is inseparable from Christ's Passion and Sacrifice for us. Jesus is now seated at the right hand of the Father and never ceases to intercede for us in heaven.

In the Mass and especially in the Holy Eucharist, we are united to Jesus Christ; we join in His praise and to His intercessions to the Father. Following the consecration, we offer the gift of the Holy Eucharist to God the Father as a sacrifice of praise; we make this offering through Jesus Christ and with Jesus Christ. This offering is accepted by God the Father through the intercession of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We never pray alone but always in Christ.

2024 GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Please take your envelopes from the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

CALLING ALL RED BOXES: Please bring any full Red Missio Boxes with you to Mass and give them to a Church Steward. Thank you, Manual and Barbara.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: If you wish to book a place on the Diocese Pilgrimage on Saturday 25th May 2024, please place your name and address, contact telephone number, and £25.00 fee per person (Children go free) into a sealed envelope and give it to a Church Steward. **Closing date Sunday 12th May 2024.** Thank you, Paul Twyford.

SECOND COLLECTION: There is a second collection at all Masses this weekend for World Communications Day.

PARISH LAWNS: Maurice Bolgar has been generously cutting our lawns for years. He has recently had a knee replacement and is out of action for the summer. Please let Fr Patrick know if you can help.

REPORT STAGE OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BILL: The Bill is being place before the House of Commons on Wednesday 15th May 2020. **Urgent Action:** please email our MP Giles Watling on email giles.watling.mp@parliament.uk expressing your support for the following amendments:

1. Amendment tabled by Caroline Ansell MP to lower the abortion limit from 24 to 22 weeks.
2. Amendment tabled by Liam Fox MP to bring the abortion time limit for babies with Down’s syndrome in line with the time limit for babies who do not have disabilities.

Finally, the rejection of the two extreme abortion up to birth amendments tabled by pro-abortion MPs Stella Creasy and Diana Johnson.

VACANCIES AT WALSINGHAM HOUSE AT ABBOTSWICK: The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service wish to appoint the following for Walsingham House:

- Retreat Manager
- Programme Leader.

Full details at www.bcys.net/news/vacancies The closing date is Friday 24th May 2024.

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT AT WALSINGHAM HOUSE: Weekend 22nd-23rd June 2024. Open to young adults 19+. Weekend of prayer and friendship. The cost is £45.00. Book via www.bcys.net/events

LOTTERY WINNING NUMBERS: The April draw numbers were 1st Prize 88 and 2nd Prize 59.

THIS WEEK’S SERVICES

Saturday 11 th May 2024. <i>Feast of Our Lady of Light Spouse of the Holy Spirit.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Rev’d Anthony Spooner RIP Lee Family.
Saturday 11 th May 2024.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 11 th May 2024.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 11 th May 2024.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 11 th May 2024.	12.00 pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 11 th May 2024. Vigil of the Seventh Sunday of Easter (B).	6.00 pm.	MASS: Roseleen & Family Intentions. Peter & Norma.

Sunday 12 th May 2024. Seventh Sunday of Easter (B)	8.30 am.	MASS: Dec'd Liverpool Hillsborough Disaster. Peter McManamon.
Sunday 12 th May 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Serena Deady RIP Kandiah & Deady Family.
Monday 13 th May 2024 <i>Memorial of St Ercowald, Bp.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Johanne Cox RIP Doreen Lane
Tuesday 14 th May 2024.	9.00am.	MASS: Peter Gamble Intentions. Doreen Lane.
Friday 17 th May 2024.	9.00 am.	MASS: John Gamble Intentions. Doreen Lane.
Saturday 18 th May 2024.	9.30 am.	MASS: Betty Austin RIP Lee Family
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Saturday 18 th May 2024. Vigil of the Solemnity of Pentecost (B).	6.00 pm.	MASS: Pat & Des McGuire Intentions. Joe.
Sunday 19 th May 2024. The Solemnity of Pentecost (B)	8.30 am.	MASS: Margaret Kavanagh Intentions. Catherine.
Sunday 19 th May 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Julia Clarke & Family Intentions.