

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

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B).

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.

COVID 19 REGULATIONS STEP 4: The revised guidelines are being implemented in the parish. Please note that face masks remain mandatory in the church.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: Offerings can be placed in one of the orange buckets or at the Sunday collection, but I would request wherever possible, all offerings are made electronically by standing order or via the donation button on the website. This will reduce the level of risk to our collection counters and those who will need to visit the bank. The 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:

Electronic Offerings £1479.00 of which £1162.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £447.57 of which £169.00 was gift aided.

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

MARK 8: 27-35

In today's Gospel we are asked two questions:

1. Who is Jesus to me?
2. What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

Jesus says to His disciples, "Who do you say I am"? Peter, inspired by the Holy Spirit, answers "You are the Christ". Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Jesus Christ is God incarnated into humanity through the Holy Spirit and the Blessed Virgin Mary. Jesus Christ is the 2nd person of the Holy Trinity. Jesus is God.

Jesus then tells the disciples what His mission is on earth. He tells them 'That the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again'. The disciples were horrified by these words of Jesus. The disciples were looking for glory. They did not want anything to do with the humiliating and painful death on a cross reserved by the Romans for slaves and criminals. God sent his only Son into the world to reconcile the world to Himself through the death and resurrection of His Son. Jesus' mission was a life of sacrifice and service. He willingly surrendered Himself to the terrible death on the cross to give each one of us the gift of eternal life.

Jesus then tells His disciples the meaning of discipleship. He tells them, "If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it".

There is no security in this world. Everything is eventually taken away from us. The only true security for this world and the next is the love of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We can only find true peace and happiness by dedicating ourselves to Jesus Christ. Money, careers, property, and health will all be eventually taken away from us. Jesus Christ will never desert us and will always be with us both in this life and for eternity. This does mean that we all have to pick-up our crosses, and with confidence and trust in the Lord, dedicate our lives to Him.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The programme will formally commence on Saturday 18th September at 9.30 am. The Invitation Letter, Parish Registration Forms and Application Forms are available at the back of the church. Completed forms must be returned by Sunday 12th September.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend is Education Sunday. There will be a second collection. You can give in the black buckets or on-line quoting 'education'.

WEEKDAY MASS TIME: The time of Mass will be changing from 9.30 am to 9.00 am with effect from 4th October 2021. The Saturday morning Mass will remain at 9.30 am. Thank you for your support and understanding. Fr Patrick.

HOME MISSION SUNDAY: There will be a second collection next weekend. You can give in the black buckets or on-line quoting 'home mission'.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL: Linda Swinbourne, President of the SVP, will be speaking at all Masses this weekend.

FUNERALS: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Michelle Cooper Dec'd and Terry Lewis Dec'd, and for the support of their grieving families.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.

Saturday 11 th September.	9.30 am.	MASS: Family Intentions Gaelle Saint Marie.
Saturday 11 th September.	11.00 am to 12.00 am.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy. Please tell the Steward that you wish to go to confession.
Saturday 11 th September.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	Church is open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Saturday 11 th September.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY
Saturday 11 th September. Vigil of Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	6.00 pm.	MASS: Kitty Casey Birthday Catherine.
Sunday 12 th September. Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) <i>Education Sunday</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Louise Jardine Intentions John Duffy.
Sunday 12 th September.	10.30 am. FAMILY MASS	MASS: Breda Mitchell Intentions Parish.

Monday 13 th September. <i>Memorial of St John Chrysostom, Bp, D.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Jill Geale Intentions Margaret Geale.
Monday 13 th September.	12.30 am.	FUNERAL: Michelle Cooper Dec'd.
Tuesday 14 th September. <i>Feast of The Exaltation (Triumph) of The Holy Cross.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Joan Connor Intentions Margaret Geale.
Tuesday 14 th September.	11.00 am.	FUNERAL: Terry Lewis Dec'd
Friday 17 th September.	9.30 am.	MASS: Bishop Alan Williams Intentions Mary Henley & Family.
Saturday 18 th September.	9.30 am.	MASS: Helen Wheatley Birthday Tara.
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Saturday 18 th September. Vigil of Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	6.00 pm.	MASS: Sr Moira Intentions.
Sunday 19 th September. Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) <i>(Home Mission Sunday)</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Anne Keston RIP Mum & Family (J Keston).
Sunday 19 th September.	10.30 am. FAMILY MASS	MASS: Julie Lee Intentions Lauren Lee.