

Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth
National Shrine of Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit
Sacred Place of Pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year 2025

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<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Prayer to the Holy Spirit</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Come Holy Spirit, by the means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, your well beloved Spouse. Amen.</i></p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Daily Offering of myself to Jesus through Mary.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>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.</i></p>
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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Sea Sunday

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS:

Week Commencing 13th July 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Lila Kibanoff (RIEP) - Jo Medrano

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Glen & Family Intentions - Marie & Dennis Grant.

Week Commencing 20th July 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Emma & Paul & Family - Peter & Penny.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Joe Byrne RIP - May, Noel, Theresa & Pauline.

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 - simply send an email to

giftaid-clacton@brcdt.org

The parish bank details are:

Bank Title: Catholic Church Clacton-on-Sea

Sort Code 401322 Account Number: 41020463. Funds received last week:

- Standing Order Offerings £1388.00 of which £1285.00 was gift aided.
- Cash Offerings £857.97 of which £181.00 was gift aided.

Members of the gift-aid scheme should quote their name and Gift Aid number.

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

LUKE 10:25-37: In today's Gospel from Luke, Jesus has a discussion with a Jewish Lawyer. The lawyer asks a legal question and gets the legal response from the Book of Deuteronomy. He is told that to inherit eternal life, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself'. The lawyer sought clarification by asking 'who is my neighbour'. Jesus gives us the parable of The Good Samaritan. A man was on his way from Jerusalem to Jericho. He was a faithful Jew returning from prayer in the Temple. He was attacked by brigands. He was left naked, injured, and dying at the side of the road. The priest and the Levite walked past the dying man. It was a Samaritan who showed compassion and love to his enemy. He cleaned and bandaged the man's wounds. He placed him on his own mount and carried to the Inn. He gave his money to the innkeeper to care for the man and promised to make good any deficit on his return. This is the true meaning of love.

I would like to give a further interpretation of the Parable. Jesus is the Samaritan who is travelling to Jerusalem to offer His life for the redemption of humanity. The injured traveller is humanity. The injured person is me and you. We are injured by sin and death. It is Jesus who bandages our wounds. It is Jesus who pours oil and wine on our broken souls. The healing oil and wine of mercy and love. It is Jesus who put us in the care of His Church on earth. It is Jesus that gives the Church the means of our healing: The Holy Sacraments. It is Jesus who makes good the deficit of our love for God and our neighbour through His perfect sacrifice on Calvary. It is Jesus who will return at the end of time in judgement and glory. It is Jesus who gives us a new commandment: 'To love one another as I have loved you'.

YOUNG PERSON'S SUMMER PARTY: You are invited to join the Parish Summer Party on Friday 19th July 2024 from 5.30pm to 8.30pm in St Charles Hall. All young people aged 7 to 18 years old are welcome. Children under 7 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Food, games and lots of fun are available.

ADULT CATECHESIS CLASSES: Will commence on Monday 1st September at 7.00 pm in the Presbytery. The classes are for the following:

- Catholics who wish to receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation.
- Christians who wish to be received into the Catholic Church.
- Unbaptised who wish to be Baptised into the Catholic Church.

Please contact Fr Patrick if you would like to join the group.

RELICS: The Knights of Saint Columba will be bringing the Holy First Class Relics of St Margaret of Scotland, St Andrew and St Columba to our church on Thursday 31st July at 12.00 noon. The Relics will remain in the church until 10am on Friday 1st August 2025. Throughout the stay while the church is open, Knights will remain with the Holy Relics, protecting them, and supporting pilgrims with information and literature.

ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP 2025: For children aged 9-12 years old (school years 5-7), a week of great fun, activities including climbing wall and zip wire, fishing, football, archery and much more, all in a beautiful setting. The Camp has a Catholic ethos, and exists to give children a magnificent holiday. 26th July – 2nd August. For more details, and application information: www.boscocamp.co.uk. The Parish will support any child wishing to attend the camp.

SECOND COLLECTION: Sea Sunday 2025. There is a retiring collection at all Masses this weekend for Stella Maris, formerly known as Apostleship of the Sea. Stella Maris is the maritime agency of the Catholic Church. It's teams of chaplains provide practical help and pastoral care to seafarers and fishermen in the UK and around the world. Thank you for your generosity.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 12th July 2025.	9.30am.	MASS: Brian Madge & Family Intentions.
Saturday 12th July 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 12th July 2025.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 12th July 2025.	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 12th July 2025.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 12th July 2025. <i>Vigil of Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Daniel Kimpton RIP. Sandra & Pat.
Sunday 13th July 2025. <i>Fifteenth Sunday in</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Christine Damien Intentions.

<i>Ordinary Time (C)</i>		Lizy Damien.
Sunday 13th July 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Mary Carter RIP. Kathleen, Jenifer & Monica.
Monday 14th July 2025.	9.00am	MASS: Val Hayter & Raymond Conway-Harris RIP. Deirdre.
Tuesday 15th July 2025 <i>St Bonaventure, Bp, D.</i>	9.00am	MASS: Frances McDermott & Betts McArdle RIP. Kevin McArdle.
Wednesday 16th July 2025	9.00am	MASS: Corrine Intentions. Lee Family.
Thursday 17th July 2025	9.00am	MASS: Lindsey & Family Intentions. Mary.
Friday 18th July 2025	9.00am.	MASS: Eva Hadley RIP.
Saturday 19th July 2025	9.30am.	MASS: Sharon Hunt Intentions. Pat.
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Saturday 19th July 2025. <i>Vigil of Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Suzanne McArthur RIP. Helen Kinnane.
Sunday 20th July 2025. <i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Lizy Damien Intentions. Lizy Damien
Sunday 20th July 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Rose Lindsey Intentions. Tara.