

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

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**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

*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.*

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS:** **Please, wherever possible, arrange to make your weekly offerings electronically.** If you are a taxpayer, you can gift aid the amount without any cost to yourself. This saves the work of our volunteer counters, increases our income, and greatly reduces our bank charges. 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:

Electronic Offerings £1582.66 of which £1069.50 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £561.69 of which £110.00 was gift aided.

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

LUKE 1:39-56

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption. At the end of her earthly life, Mary was taken body and soul into the glory of heaven. In the Gospel from Luke, we have the picture of the two cousins meeting. One a virgin and one a barren woman both with child. Elizabeth's child is John the Baptist and Mary holds within her the Son of God. There is an explosion of the Holy Spirit. The child Jesus is the source of the Holy Spirit.

Mary's Assumption is not a privilege retained only for her. We are all called to share in her Assumption. As we commemorate her Solemnity, we live in the hope of the anticipation of our bodies rising to eternal life. It is, therefore, a feast of hope for all of us. We live in the hope of the resurrection of our bodies and the eternal happiness of our unity with God. In so many ways, The Blessed Virgin Mary shows us the way to follow and assists us in our journey. Mary shows us what it is to be perfectly human. Mary achieved this perfection through her total obedience and loyalty to God. Let our hearts sing with Mary, 'My soul proclaims the greatest of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my Saviour'.

FR PATRICK: Will be on annual leave from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August until Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August. Fr Gerald Gostling will be covering all Saturday and Sunday Services next weekend.

WELCOME BACK PARTY: Youth and children's end of summer party on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022, 5pm to 7.30 pm in the parish hall. Sign-up at the back of the church.

CHRISTMAS BAZAR: Will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022. A meeting will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October immediately following the 10.30 am Mass in the parish hall for all helpers and volunteers. Contact Julie Fitzgerald on 01255 431885.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL: The parish SVP are seeking new members to help with the weekly Soup Kitchen on Fridays from 10.30 am to 1.00 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to help the homeless. Please ring Linda Swinbourne 07799104874.

ST CLARES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: The school is organizing a fete on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2022 from 4.00 to 6.00pm to celebrate the anniversary of the opening of their nursery. If you can help with donations as prizes for the many events, please contact Tracey Green: [tgreen@st-clares.essex.sch.uk](mailto:tgreen@st-clares.essex.sch.uk)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2022/23: Will commence in September. We are opening the preparation this year to children aged 7 years to 16 years of age. This is an opportunity for any child that may have missed their First Holy Communion. If you wish you child to join the programme, please complete a Parish Registration Form available at the back of the church. Endorse the form 'First Holy Communion'. **The closing date for applications is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**

SPUC PETITION: A recent BBC poll found that 15% of British women had experienced pressure or coercion to have an abortion that they did not want. Please complete <https://www.spuc.org.uk/coerion> calling on the Health Secretary to urgently commission research into the area of abortion coercion.

ADULT CATECHESIS CLASSES: Will commence on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.

Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	9.30 am.	MASS: John, Mary & Dominic Henley. Kathleen & Ron Tibbs & Louise.
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.

Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022. <i>Vigil of the Solemnity of The Blessed Virgin Mary.</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Ivor Hill RIP Tara.
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2022. <i>The Solemnity of The Blessed Virgin Mary.</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Peter Hill RIP Jennifer Hill.
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Julie Card RIP Joseph Kelly.
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	2.00 pm.	BAPTISMS: Parker Family
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022. <i>Memorial of St Bernard, Ab. D.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: The Home Bound Alan Mowle.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022. <i>Vigil of the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: The Catenian Association Intentions Alan Mowle.
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2022. <i>The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Brendan & Nellie Herlihy RIP Brendan Herlihy.
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Mary & Dominic Healey Lee Family.