

## Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth

### *National Shrine of Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit*

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### **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**

*(Home Mission Day)*

*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 £711.00 of which £525.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £473.95 of which £82.00 was gift aided.

Catholic Education Service: £185.32 of which 87.38 was gift aided.

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

LUKE: 16:1-13

In today's Gospel, we have the rich man and the dishonest steward. I would suggest that the rich man is God, and we are the stewards of His gifts to us in this life. The steward is aware that his employment will shortly come to an end, and he must give a full account to his employer. We enter this life naked, and we leave this life naked. The only thing we take with from this life is love: love of God and love of others. Everything we have in this life is a gift from God. We own nothing and everything is held by us in trust for God. At the end of our lives, we each face an individual judgement. At this judgement we will have to give an account for the many gifts given to us in our lives.

The steward called his master's debtors one by one. He used his position to reduce the many debts owed to the master. He used money to buy favour with others and to ensure that he was welcomed into their homes at the end of his employment. Jesus was not commending the steward's dishonesty. He was commending his stewed resourcefulness. We should use money in love to ensure we are welcomed into our eternal home in heaven. We should use our resources wisely so that they will serve for our good in eternity.

ADULT CATECHESIS CLASSES: Will commence on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.00 pm** in the Presbytery. The classes are for the following: 1. Catholics who wish to receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. 2. Christians who wish to be received into the Catholic Church. 3. Unbaptised who wish to be Baptised into the Catholic Church. Attendance on the course does not require commitment to completion of the Sacraments. Please contact Fr Patrick if you would like more information or to join the group.

CHRISTMAS BAZAR: Will take place on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2022. A meeting will take place on Sunday 9<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.

DEANERY RENEWEL DAY FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Reflection Day on the Eucharist and the real presence of Christ. At St Sabina Church, Richard Avenue, Brightlingsea from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided on the day.

INDIAN DELIGHT: Meal of 'fried rice with buttered chicken' for £10.00 per portion in support of the Parish SVP Group on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Collect food from the Parish Hall from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm. Order slips at the back of the Church. Return with money in a sealed envelope and give it to a Church Steward. Maximum 200 orders.

BISHOP ALAN PARISH VISITATION: Bishop Alan will be visiting the Parish on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and will be administering the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 10.30 am Mass. He will join the Parish for coffee after Mass in the Parish Hall.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE: See [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events) for latest events.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend for Home Mission Sunday.

**THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.**

Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	9.30 am.	MASS: Jean Copus RIP Mrs C Copus.
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 2022. <i>Vigil of the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Vera Andrews RIP Sidney, Sonya & Shane.
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2022. <i>The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) (Home Mission Day)</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Tommy & Kitty O'Brien RIP Theresa Orton.

Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: People of the Parish.
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2022. <i>Memorial of St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon &amp; Comps, Mm,</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Bobby Caldwell Intentions. Ashley & Elaine Cox.
Wednesday 21st September 2022. <i>Feast of St Matthew, Ap, Evangelist.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Mary Murray RIP Anne Leacy.
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2022. <i>Memorial of St Padre Pio.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Vincent O'Toole RIP Veronica Chambers.
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2022. <i>Memorial of Our Lady of Walsingham.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Ron Tibbs RIP Kathleen Tibbs.
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Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2022. <i>Vigil of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Anthony Cummings RIP (Anniversary) Anne Smith
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2022. <i>The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) (Harvest Sunday)</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Mary Murray RIP Barbara.
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Mary Murray RIP Thomas Whelan.