

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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<i>Prayer to the Holy Spirit</i> <i>Come Holy Spirit, by the means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, your well beloved Spouse. Amen.</i>		<i>Daily Offering of myself to Jesus through Mary.</i> <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>
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2nd Sunday in Lent (A)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS:

Commencing 1st March 2026

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Antoni & Matylda Delikator - Family

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Antoni & Matylda Delikator - Family

Commencing 8th March 2026

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Conlon Family Dec'd and living.

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Thanksgiving - Joy.

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 £222.00 of which £152.00 was gift aided.
- Cash Offerings £527.80 of which £101.00 was gift aided.
- Lourdes Sick Fund £483.32 of which £35.00 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 9:28-36 In the Gospel from Luke, we are given a description of the transfiguration. Jesus had taken Peter, John and James up into the mountain to pray. In the Old Testament, the mountain is the place where all the prophets had met God. Jesus had taken the apostles on this journey to prepare them for the trauma of His passion and crucifixion. They still did not fully appreciate at this stage that Jesus is God. As Jesus prayed, He was transfigured: 'the aspect of His face was changed and His clothing became as brilliant as lightening. The apostles were given a vision of the Resurrected Christ. Moses and Elijah spoke of Jesus passing, which He was to accomplish in Jerusalem. This was in direct reference to Jesus' death on a cross. A cloud came and covered them with a shadow. This was the same cloud that appeared at the Covenant between Yahweh and Abraham. This was the presence of God. The voice came from the cloud saying "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to Him".

Jesus Christ is God incarnated into humanity through the Virgin Mary. God sent His only son into the world to be the means of our salvation. Jesus Christ was born and lived among us. He died on the cross to be the perfect sacrifice for our sins. Jesus Christ rose from the dead on the third day and ascended into heaven. He will return on the last day in glory and judgement. God became man in order to be the means of our salvation. This is the Good News! This is the new Covenant between God and humanity. As Jesus Christ rose from the dead, so will we who believe, be raised from the dead. In the words of St Paul, 'we will be transfigured into immortal beings into the image of Jesus Christ'. We have done nothing to merit the favour of God. This is a gift of utter love from our self-giving God.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: There will be Stations of the Cross each Friday evening in Lent at 7.00pm. It is important that children experience this great Catholic tradition.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LIGHT: Bishop Alan will be presiding at the Mass in celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Light on 16th May 2026 at 11.00am, with priests from the Deanery. There will be a walking procession on the sea-front commencing at 10.00am. A reception will be held in the parish hall following the service. Please make a note in your diary.

LOURDES WITH OUR DIOCESE: Join Bishop Alan and pilgrims from across our diocese in Lourdes this summer: Friday 17th - Friday 24th July 2026.

Bookings will open shortly at <https://www.tangney-tours.com/brentwood>

BCYS - Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage (18-25 Jul 2026)

Applications are open online for this years' Lourdes pilgrimage for those in year 10 and above. You can find all information and the link to apply at www.bcys.net/events/sl26. As always, there is funding available for which we can provide advice and support. Please contact BCYS.

FUNERALS: The following funerals are taking place next week:

- ❖ John Murray Dec'd - Wednesday 4th March 2026
- ❖ Maureen Winks Dec'd - Thursday 5th March 2026
- ❖ Brian Naylor Dec'd - Friday 6th March 2026.

Please pray for the repose of their souls and for their grieving families.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Service at Christ Church (URC) Carnarvon Road, Friday 6th March @ 11.00am. All are welcome.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 28th February 2026.	9.30am	MASS: Dominic & Mary Henley RIP. John Henley.
Saturday 28th February 2026.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 28th February 2026.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 28th February 2026.	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 28th February 2026.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 28th February 2026. <i>Vigil of the Second Sunday in Lent</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Reg Young RIP. Cooper Family.
Sunday 1st March 2026. <i>The Second Sunday in Lent A.</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Christopher Bowland Intentions.
Sunday 1st March 2026.	10.30am.	MASS: Julia Clarke Intentions. Lynne.
Monday 2nd March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Sean, Awel, Erin, Leonard McDermott Intentions. Christina &

		Seamus.
Tuesday 3rd March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Tim Frenye & Family. Tim.
Wednesday 4th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Dominic & Mary Henley RIP.
Wednesday 4th March 2026.	1.30pm.	FUNERAL: John Murray RIP.
Thursday 5th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Agness Randall Intentions.
Thursday 5th March 2026.	11.30am	FUNERAL: Maureen Winks RIP.
Friday 6th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Sharon Hunt Intentions. Pat.
Friday 6th March 2026.	7.00pm.	STATIONS OF THE CROSS.
Saturday 7th March 2026.	9.30am	MASS: Patricia Newman RIP. Tara.
Saturday 7th March 2026.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
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Saturday 7th March 2026. <i>Vigil of the Third Sunday in Lent A.</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Ann Fish RIP Mags Collier.
Sunday 8th March 2026. <i>The Third Sunday in Lent A.</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Sharon Hunt Intentions. Pat.
Sunday 8th March 2026.	10.30am.	MASS: Sajin Family Intentions.