

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

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER C**

***St Joseph the Worker***

*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 GUIDELINES: The wearing of face masks is suggested in crowded, enclosed spaces. You should continue to protect yourself and others.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: Please, where possible, make offerings electronically: **1. Standing order; 2. Using the Smart Bar Codes at the Church exit doors; or 3. Via the donation button on the website.** 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 £598.00 of which £506.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £693.00 of which £212.00 was gift aided.

Second Collection 'Holy Places' £216.47 of which £119.00 was gift aided.

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

#### JOHN 21:1-19

In John's Gospel, the Risen Jesus Christ appears to Peter and the disciples. The disciples had been out fishing all night and had caught nothing. Jesus tells them, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something'. They catch an enormous load of fish: 'so many fish that they could not haul the net into the boat'. The fishermen were to become fishers of men and women. This enormous catch was a symbol of the growth of the Church through their witness and ministry. At this point John recognised Jesus on the shore, and Peter jumped out of the boat to greet Him. Jesus invited the disciples to 'Come and have breakfast'. By means of touch and the sharing of a meal, the Risen Jesus established direct contact with His disciples. Jesus showed them that He possessed a real and glorious body. Jesus spoke to Peter, who had denied Him three times before His passion. Jesus asked Peter three times whether he loved Him? Three times Peter told Jesus that he loved Him. Jesus instructed Peter on each occasion: to 'feed my lambs', to 'look after my sheep' and to 'feed my sheep'. This was Peter's conversion through the tears of repentance and a threefold affirmation of Peter's love for Jesus. Jesus was preparing Peter for the leadership of His Church on earth. The 'power of the keys' designated Peter's authority to govern the house of God, which is the Church. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, confirmed this mandate after His resurrection to Peter. The proof of Peter's love for Jesus was to be his ministry to His flock – the Church. Jesus gave Peter a warning of his death and instructed him to 'follow me'. As Jesus called the disciples to be His witnesses throughout the world, He also calls each one of us here today. We are called to be witnesses to Jesus Christ and the Good News. Jesus gave us His Church to support and sustain us in our Mission. Through the Church, we are fed by the Word of God, the Holy Sacraments, and most especially the Holy Eucharist: The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

FUNERAL: The following funeral is taking place next week:

- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Mary & Dominic Henley

Please pray for the repose of their souls and for John Henley.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II PLATINIUM JUBILIEE GARDEN PARTY: You are invited by the SVP to join the celebration in the Presbytery Garden on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2pm to 4pm. £10 tickets available after all Sunday Masses – includes buffet lunch, raffle, bingo, and a glass of bubbly. Contact Peter McManamon on 07954090461 for further details.

10.30 MASS COFFEE CLUB: Resumes this weekend. Thank you for the volunteers.

PARISH CHOIR: We have a wonderful choir in our Parish who are appealing for new members. Please let Fr Patrick know if you can help.

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT EVENING: Tuesday 3rd May at Edmond of Canterbury Church in Loughton. Speaker will be Fr Gary Dench. Contact Fr Mark vocprom@dioceseobbrentwood for further details.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: A coach has been booked for Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022. To book your seat on the coach, please put your name and contact number on an envelope containing the coach fee of £20.00 per seat, and give it to a Church Steward at Mass. Bookings will be on a first come, first serve basis. The closing date for bookings will be Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

COLUMBAN FATHERS MISSION APPEAL: Fr Pat O’Beirne will be speaking at all Sunday Masses over the weekend 14<sup>th</sup> / 15<sup>th</sup> May and will make an appeal for the work of the Columban Fathers.

**THIS WEEK’S SERVICES.**

Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2022.	9.30 am.	MASS: A E Litter Intentions Parish.
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2022.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2022.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	Church is open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2022.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSSARY
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2022. <i>Vigil of the Third Second Sunday of Easter (C).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Julie Benz & Family Shane.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2022. <i>Third Sunday of Easter (C). St Joseph the Worker.</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Ciaran Joseph Whelan Intentions Thomas Whelan.

Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Paul Twyford & Family Parish.
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022. <i>Memorial of St Athanasius, Bp, D.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Thanksgiving Raphine Babalola
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2022.	9.00 am.	MASS: Ann Reilly RIP Hanna.
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2022.	10.30 am.	FUNERAL: Mary & Dominic Henley RIP.
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2022. Memorial of St John Payne, Pr, M.	9.00 am.	MASS: Maureen Marshall RIP Brian Madge.
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2022.	1.00 pm.	WEDDING: Lauras Ambraizejus & Rasa Matlauskaite.
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2022.	9.30 am.	MASS: Jeannie, John, Andrew & Martin Bradshaw Parish.
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Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2022. <i>Fourth of Easter (C). Day of Prayer for Vocations.</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Julie Fitzgerald Intentions Parish.
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Christine Green RIP Lee Family.