

**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 (A)**

*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.*

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE: Please review the Parish Website for the latest updates:

<https://ourladyoflight.uk/>

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS**

Offerings can be placed in one of the orange buckets, but I would request wherever possible, all offerings are made electronically by standing order or via the donation button on the website. This will reduce the level of risk to our collection counters and those who will need to visit the bank. The 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:

Offertory Collection £548.76 of which £160.00 was gift aided

Electronic Offerings £277.00 of which £197.00 was gift aided

SECOND COLLECTION HOLY PLACES: Funds received last week:  
Second Collection £214.61 of which £10.00 was gift aided.

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

RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC MASS: Please follow the instructions of the Church Stewards and allow plenty of time before Mass starts to sanitize your hands and complete registration. Attendance at Mass is restricted to 50 people. **I would, therefore, ask that those who are able to attend Mass in the week to refrain from attending Mass at the weekends to allow others the opportunity.** Thank you for your understanding and co-operation. Fr Patrick.

10.30 SUNDAY FAMILY MASS: With effect from Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September this Mass will be restricted to Families and young children. This is a temporary restriction whilst we are operating under the COVID 19 Regulations. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding. Fr Patrick.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Due to Covid 19 restrictions the Safeguarding Administrator at Cathedral House, Antoinette Martin, has begun the task of processing the DBS checks for Our Lady of Light & St Osyth electronically. Antoinette will be contacting individuals, via email, and asking for forms to be completed and returned to her via email. She will also make 'virtual' contact to confirm ID. If you receive an email from Antoinette and are unsure what to do please contact me to discuss further. There are a couple of people who have not supplied email addresses so I will call you individually to discuss a way forward. Please do not post any documents, especially ID documents such as passport or driving licence, to Cathedral House as the office is not yet open. I have supplied a list of all parishioners requiring a DBS so do not worry if you do not hear from Antoinette, it's a long list and she's working through it.

Theresa McCarron - Safeguarding OLOL&SO, Tel: 07824 996677,  
Email: [Shamrock0808@gmail.com](mailto:Shamrock0808@gmail.com).

FRAUDULENT EMAIL: A parishioner has received an email from a fraudster under the name of Fr Patrick Daly requesting that they purchase and send a £500 google play card for a seminarian undergoing cancer treatment. If you receive one of these emails, please delete it.

SECOND COLLECTION: Education Sunday in support of our Catholic Schools. Please use gift-aid envelopes/black buckets in church. You can also give via the donation button on the website or by a one-off electronic transfer.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2020/21: We will be commencing the new programme by Zoom in October. Please introduce yourself and your child to me at Mass if you wish to join the programme. **Closing date for applications is Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020.**

CALLING ALL RED BOXES: Manual Matthew, Our Missio Secretary, has requested that any full Red Boxes be handed in at Mass for counting. The Boxes will be returned to the back of the Church for collection.

**MATTHEW 20: 1-16**

The Gospel from Matthew speaks of God’s utter generosity to all. God sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, the 2<sup>nd</sup> person of the Holy Trinity into the world, incarnated into humanity. God became man. He came to live among us in poverty. He died the shameful death of the Cross to reconcile us to God. Jesus Christ died the sacrificial death on the Cross for the forgiveness of our sins. He rose from the dead on the third day and offers us the hope of eternal salvation. We cannot earn our own salvation. There is nothing we can do to justify our salvation. It took the death of God Himself to free us from sin and grant eternal life in Jesus Christ. God offers the wonderful gift of salvation to all who turn to Him and accept His mercy. This is the wonderful truth of our faith. The Gospel today speaks of the workers who come early and late in the vineyard of the Lord. That same generosity is offered to those who seek God’s mercy late in life, and to those who have always faithfully followed God faithfully throughout their lives. We are not to be envious of God’s generosity. We do not know exactly when our lives will end and we, therefore, need to be always ready to meet God. We have access to God’s mercy through the Church, through the Sacraments, including the reception of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. Christ also instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation through His Church for the forgiveness of sin, in particular, serious sin. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we confess our sins to God, and we receive God’s mercy and forgiveness. There is no sin that is excluded from God’s mercy. He always welcomes us with joy and compassion, and grants us the peace and knowledge of His forgiveness.

**MASSES WILL BE OPEN TO A MAXIMUM OF 50 PEOPLE IN THE CHURCH**

Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> September.	9.30 am.	MASS: Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò’s Intentions. (Mary)
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	11.00 am to 12 noon.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: In the presbytery garden.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	Church open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> September <i>Vigil Mass of the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Rob Armstead Intentions. (D Killen)

Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September <i>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)</i> <i>Education Sunday</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Mary & Family Intentions. (Ruphina Babalola)
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	10.30 am FAMILY MASS	MASS: Bill Cross RIP (Angela Cook)
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	3.00 pm	CONFIRMATION MASS
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> September <i>Feast of St Matthew, Ap, Evangelist</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Rev Sr Tresa Joseph RIP (Xavier)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	9.30 am.	MASS: Vera Jones Intentions (Philip & Jan)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30 am.	MASS: Rose Twyford RIP (Paul Twyford)
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> September.	9.30 am.	MASS: Julie Lee & Family (Justyna)
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> August	11.00 am to 12 noon.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: In the presbytery garden.
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	Church open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> September <i>Vigil Mass of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Thomas Cosgrove Intentions (Veronica Chambers)
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> September <i>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)</i> <i>Harvest Sunday</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Terry Lewis Intentions (Marian Lewis)
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	10.30 am FAMILY MASS	MASS: Michael Chambers Intentions (Veronica Chambers)

***Daily Offering***

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