

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

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**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING (B)**

*(Youth 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.*

COVID 19 REGULATIONS STEP 4: The revised guidelines are being implemented in the parish. Please note that face masks are required in the church.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: Offerings can be placed in one of the orange buckets or at the Sunday collection, but I would request wherever possible, all offerings are made electronically by standing order, using the Smart Bar Codes 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:

Electronic Offerings £680.00 of which £530.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £517.18 of which £182.90 was gift aided.

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

**GIVE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE:** You can now give to the Parish with your smartphone using the bar codes displayed at the entrance and exit doors of the church. You can give from £3 to £20 with or without Giftaid. Simply scan the chosen bar code.

**JOHN 18:33-37**

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – the all-embracing authority of Christ as King and Lord of the Cosmos. In the Gospel from John, Pilate asked Jesus whether He was a king? Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind'. A king is usually born in a palace and enjoys a life of privilege, comfort, and power. He is born to be served upon by others. Jesus Christ was born in a stable into poverty. He lived the life of a penniless teacher who did not even have a home to call his own. His life was of total service and love to others.

In this life we face two opposing kingdoms. We face the kingdom of man. A kingdom built on money, power, and material possessions. A kingdom built on me and my selfish desires and pleasures. A kingdom where evil is acceptable, and the only moral is for me to gain the advantage. The other kingdom is the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom of Jesus Christ is built on the love of God. It is built on the love and service to others. It is a kingdom where the love and joy of God lives in our hearts. A Kingdom that has been growing for nearly two thousand years and will be perfected on the return of Christ the King at the end of the world in judgement.

We must decide whether we belong to the Kingdom of man or the Kingdom of God. We cannot be citizens of both Kingdoms – we must choose. The kingdom of Man leads to death and eternal loneliness. The Kingdom of God leads to love and eternal happiness.

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2022:** Final call for written requests to Fr Patrick. Bishop Alan will be conferring the Sacrament in 2022. You should be in Year 9 or above.

**FUNERAL:** The funeral of Laurence Shannon will take place on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Please pray for the repose of his soul and for his grieving family.

HELP: An elderly lady needs a lift to Mass from Rose Croft Close. Please let Fr Patrick know if you can help.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a collection this weekend for the Brentwood Catholic Youth Service. They offer retreats, pilgrimages, and support to our youth. You can give on-line quoting 'youth' or in the black buckets. Gift aiders should use their number or envelope.

CALLING ALL ALTAR SERVERS: Please return to duties at all Sunday Masses including the vigil. Any boy or girl who has made their First Holy Communion will be welcome to join.

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**THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.**

Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.	9.30 am.	MASS: Millie, Shaqueel & Kushani Intentions Lee Family.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.	11.00 am to 12.00 am.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	Church is open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2021. <i>Vigil of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ The King (B)</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Peter O'Farrell & Family Intentions.
Sunday 21 November 2021. <i>The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ The King (B) (Youth Day)</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: November Dead List. .
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2021.	10.30 am. FAMILY MASS.	MASS: Stacey RIP Millie.
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2021.	9.00 am.	MASS: Brian Healey RIP

<i>Memorial of St Cecilia, V.M.</i>		
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2021	9.00 am.	MASS: Mary Padian & Family Intentions. Shane Andrews.
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2021. <i>Memorial St Andrew Dung-Lac, Pr, &amp; Comps, Mm.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Chester Charles Bennington & Family RIP.
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.	9.30 am.	MASS: Rose Twyford RIP Paul Twyford.
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Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.	1.30 pm.	MARRIAGE: Samuel William Ayriss and Faye-Michaela O'Connor.
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2021. <i>Vigil of The First Sunday of Advent (C)</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Tim O'Donovan RIP Catherine Donovan.
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2021. <i>The First Sunday of Advent (C).</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Justin Aulisi RIP Angela Ryan
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2021.	10.30 am. FAMILY MASS.	MASS: Mary Tomlin Intentions Lindsey.