

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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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS:

Week Commencing 26th October 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: John & Baps Coyne RIP - Terera

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Mary Tomlin - Lindsey.

Week Commencing 2nd November 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Abbarchi & Pinney Family - Lindsey

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 £332.00 of which £312.00 was gift aided.
- Cash Offerings £649.10 of which £56.00 was gift aided.
- Missi Collection £660.73 of which £68.00 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 18:9-14: In the Gospel from Luke, Jesus gives us a lesson on our attitude to God in prayer. He gives us the example of the proud Pharisee and the humble tax collector. The Pharisee judges himself according to the Law. He had kept all the requirements of the Law and was therefore perfect. He was praying to himself and not to God. He preferred to look at himself in a mirror rather than lift his eyes and heart to God. His real problem was his love of self and pride. His heart was on his own accomplishments. He had failed to understand the commandment to 'Love the Lord your God, with your whole heart, mind and body, and your neighbour as yourself'. He has complete contempt for the tax collector in the temple.

The tax collector recognised his sinfulness before God. He had the humility in his heart to acknowledge his place before God almighty. He stood far off and would not even lift his eyes to heaven but beat his breast. His prayer was very brief, not long like that of the Pharisee: "God be merciful to me a sinner". He did not judge himself against the Law but the commandment: to love God and his neighbour. Jesus tells us that the tax collector 'went home again at rights with God; the other did not'. We are all sinners and in need of God's love, mercy and forgiveness. If we recognise our true status before God, we are given great peace and joy. We know that all we need to do is come before God in humility, and ask for his mercy and forgiveness for our sins. If we approach God in this way, before we have even opened our mouths, he says 'I love you and forgive you'.

COFFEE CLUB: There are coffees and teas after the Sunday 8.30am and 10.30am Masses. Please join us.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Saturday 22nd November 2025. 11am to 2.00pm. Come and see Santa, lots to eat and drink, plenty of stalls, £1 admission, children free. All welcome at St Charles Hall.

HOMELESS: Appeal for blankets and sleeping bags. Leave at the back of the church.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT: The Knights of Columba invite you to a Parish Quiz Night to be held in the parish hall on Saturday 25th October at 7.00pm. Cheese and wine provided. Bring your own food/drinks. Come as a team or be paired up on the night. All are welcome. £5 per head (Children free).

PARISH WORKING PARTY: To complete essential maintenance on the site cold water drains. Meeting on Saturday 8th November 2025 immediately after the 9.30am Mass. Contact Paul Twyford for further information: 07970619053. Commercial gloves provided. Thank you for your support. Fr Patrick.

YOUNG PERSONS' UPDATE: Monday 27th October - guitar practice at 4.45pm and choir at 6.30pm in the church. The noticeboard has been updated with the recent summer party. Any year 10 to 13 interested in going to Lourdes, we will fundraise with you. Any questions contact Julie Lee by text on 0794987427. Please encourage our youngsters to participate and meet new friends, support and strengthen their faith.

NOVEMBER MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: The November Dead List envelopes are now available at the back of the Church. Please place a list of the names of those deceased family members and friends you wish to be remembered during the month of November and give your envelope to Fr Patrick.

FR PATRICK: Will be away from the Parish from Friday 24th October until Friday 7th November 2025. Fr Peter will be covering in his absence.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 25th October 2025.	9.30am	MASS: Angela Farrell Intentions. Angela.
Saturday 25th October 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 25th October 2025.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 25th October 2025	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 25th October 2025.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 25th October 2025. <i>Vigil of The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. C</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Joju John & Tessy (Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday 26th October 2025. <i>The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Gee Varghese Kunkesu RIP. Lizy Damien.

Sunday 26th October 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Holy Souls. Sam Ekeanyanwu & Family.
Monday 27th October 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Fr Kantibla RIP. Sudhir & Family.
Tuesday 28th October 2025. <i>SS Simon & Jude, App.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Harold Bonus RIP. Mary.
Wednesday 29th October 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Margaret & Michael Flanagan Intentions. Hanna.
Thursday 30th October 2025.	9.00am	MASS: Madge & Eamon McLoughlin Intentions. Eugene Mullin.
Friday 31st October 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Mary & Dominic Henley RIP. John Henley.
Saturday 1st November 2025	9.30am	MASS: Evangeline Gabriel RIP. Lynne.
Saturday 1st November 2025	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 1st November 2025	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 1st November 2025	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 1st November 2025	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 1st November 2025. Vigil of All Saints.	6.00pm.	MASS: Justina & Family Intentions. Ann.
Sunday 2nd November 2025. <i>Solemnity of All Saints.(C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Marjorie Talbat RIP. Michael Talbat.
Sunday 2nd November 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Margaret King RIP. Kathy & Peter.

Monday 3rd November 2025. <i>All Soul's Day.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Sebastian Francis-Jones Intentions. Mary.
Tuesday 4th November 2025. <i>St Charles Borrowmeo, Bp.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: All Parishioners - Thank you for your love & support. Goodson Family
Wednesday 5th November 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Dec'd Members of John Haytor & Deirdre Conway-Harris Family. Deirdre.
Thursday 6th November 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Danny & Julie Fitzgerald Intentions. Mary.
Friday 7th November 2025.	9.00am	MASS: Mrs Slattery Intentions. Lord Gabby.
Saturday 8th November 2025.	9.30am	MASS: Lawrence Lawlor RIP. Mrs B Lawlor.
Saturday 8th November 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 8th November 2025.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 8th November 2025.	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 8th November 2025.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 8th November 2025. <i>Vigil of The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica.</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Nello Santinelle Intentions. Cooper Family.
Sunday 9th November 2025. <i>The Dedication of The Lateran Basilica. (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Damien Roberts Intentions. Lizzy Damien.

Sunday 9th November 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Joseph San Jose Intentions. Marifi San Jose.
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