

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

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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.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

(Racial Justice Day)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS: This week:

❖ *Our Lady of Light Chapel: Catherine Baudains (Birthday Intentions).*

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.

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:

Standing Order Offerings £215.00 of which £148.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings: £457.80 of which £67.00 was gift aided.

SPUC: £232.98.

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

MARK 1:21-28

In the Gospel from Mark, we are told that Jesus taught with authority and that His teaching was new. Jesus is not a prophet. Jesus was not a scribe who gave interpretations of Scripture. Jesus Christ is God. Jesus spoke with the full authority of God Himself. The unclean spirit recognized who Jesus was when it asked: 'what do you want from us, Jesus of Nazareth?' The unclean spirit declared 'I know who you are: The Holy One of God'.

The people proclaimed that, 'Here is a teaching that is new'. Jesus Christ is the fulfilment of the Law and the Old Testament. The New Covenant is the Good News of Jesus Christ. Jesus is God incarnated into humanity through the Holy Spirit, and the Virgin Mary. Jesus was born and died for the forgiveness of our sins on Calvary. He rose from the dead on the third day and ascended into heaven. Jesus has freed us from sin and death. All who believe in Jesus are promised eternal life. This is the new teaching – the New Covenant.

At Mass, we listen to the Word in the Holy Scriptures, and we receive the Word, in the Holy Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

FUNERALS: The following funerals take place next week:

Tuesday 30th January 2024 – Jacqueline Belcher Dec'd

Wednesday 31st January 2024 – Elizabeth Taylor Dec'd

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

PARISH LOTTERY: Congratulations to the following winners: 1st Prize No 49 Christine Pope. 2nd Prize No 88 Adrian Leggett.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend for the Clacton Trinity Hope Homeless Centre.

GUEST SPEAKER: Rev Deacon Angela Shereni from the Trinity Methodist Hope Centre for the homeless will be speaking at the 10.30 am Mass on 28th January. The parish SVP Conference supports the Centre each Friday morning providing the Clacton Soup Kitchen. Deacon Angela will be explaining the support given to the homeless.

MONTHLY VOCATION DISCERNMENT GROUP: If you would like to find out more about a possible vocation to the priesthood, there will be a talk, time of prayer and some food at Brentwood Cathedral commencing Tuesday 6th February 2024. For further information contact Fr Mark Swires vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

YOUNG PERSONS CHOIR: Next practices will take place on Monday 5th February 2024 in the church. Guitar 4.45 pm to 5.30 pm. Choir 5.30 to 6.30 pm. Contact Julie Lee or text 07949087427.

VACANCY HEADTEACHER: St Joseph’s Primary School, Harwich. Deadline for applications 12.00 (Noon) Wednesday 28th February 2024. Go to: https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/2024-02-28_1200_St-Josephs-Primary-School-Harwich_Headteacher_Job-Advert.pdf

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK GUIDELINES: Any baptized person who has reached the age of reason and is ‘dangerously ill’ or ‘begins to be in danger of death by reason of illness or old age’ should receive the Sacrament of the Sick. The Sacrament should not be deferred until all hope of recovery has been lost, life begins to ebb, and the sick person is fast verging into a state of insensibility. The Sacrament should, where possible, be administered while the person is in consciousness and can fully participate in the Rite.

THIS WEEK’S SERVICES

Saturday 27 th January 2024.	9.30 am.	MASS: Betty Austin RIP Mary Pearce.
Saturday 27 th January 2024.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 27 th January 2024.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 27 th January 2024.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 27 th January 2024.	12.00 pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 27 th January 2024. <i>Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Jenny Cotter RIP Caroline, Lisa & James Cotter.
Sunday 28 th January 2024. <i>The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B).</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Lizy & Damien Intentions. Lizy Damien.

Sunday 28 th January 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Peter Mary Tomlin & Family. Lindsey.
Monday 29 th January 2024.	9.00 am.	MASS: Matthew Joseph RIP Mini Matthew.
Tuesday 30 th January 2024.	9.00 am.	MASS: Margaret & Michael Flanagan & Family Intentions.
Wednesday 31 st January 2024. <i>Memorial of St John Bosco, Pr.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Hilda & Martin O'Brien & Family Intentions.
Wednesday 31 st January 2024.	10.00 am.	FUNERAL: Elizabeth Taylor Dec'd.
Friday 2 nd February 2024. <i>Feast of the Presentation of The Lord.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Seamus Flanagan Intentions. Maria.
Saturday 3 rd February 2024. <i>Diocesan Memorial of St Anne Line, M.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Rev'd Anthony Spooner RIP. Alice Spooner.
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Saturday 3 rd February 2024. <i>Vigil of the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Catherine Baudains Intentions. Angela Cook.
Sunday 4 th February 2024. <i>The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B).</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Mary Sullivan RIP Mrs S M Smith.
Sunday 4 th February 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Mary Pearce & Family Intentions. Lindsey.