

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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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Harvest Sunday.

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS:

Week Commencing 28th September 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Dec'd Members of the Todd Family - Julia Clarke

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Lilia Kibanoff (RIEP) Jo Medrano

Week Commencing 5th October 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Lilia Kibanoff (RIEP)

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Bill Cross RIP - Angela Cook.

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 £192.00 of which £49.00 was gift aided.
- Cash Offerings £651.84 of which £80.00 was gift aided.
- Home Mission Sunday £358.71 of which 58.00 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 16:19-31 In today's Gospel, the rich man closed himself into his own world of luxury and wastefulness. The rich man is condemned not because of his wealth but for being incapable of feeling compassion for Lazarus. He is condemned for his total love of self. He is condemned for his failure to love God and others. The rich man did not even see Lazarus sitting at his gate. Jesus Christ is present in the poor, the sick and the lonely. To ignore those less fortunate than ourselves is to ignore God.

This Gospel is a warning to the living. We only come this way once. Our lives on earth are not a rehearsal for heaven. Our lives are the reality of our preparation to enter heaven. We are not able to come back after our deaths, to right the wrongs of this life. We can only respond to God's call to conversion in this life. We can only demonstrate our love of God and our neighbour in this life.

In the recent words of Pope Francis: 'God's mercy towards us is linked to our mercy towards our neighbour. When we fail to love and show mercy to our neighbour, we close our hearts to God'.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS: All volunteers holding a current DBS certificate are requested to attend a mandatory meeting on Sunday 28th September at 11.30am immediately after the 10.30am Mass. The meeting will take place in the Presbytery.

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

CALLING ALL YOUTH: Year 9 can apply for Mersea Island Gather Retreat 25th to 26th October via BCYS website. Login and set up an account ASAP.

Financial support available. Year 10 and above can register via BCYS website above for Lourdes in July 2026. We will help with funding raising. Please TEXT Julie Lee on 07949087427 for information or support.

YOUNG PERSONS CHOIR: Choir and guitar practices start back Monday 29th September. Any new people interested, please TEXT Julie Lee.

GARDENING VOLUNTEERS: If you can spare an occasional hour to help with the maintenance of the Church and Presbytery gardens, please join the Whats App Group on 07791635159. Thank you. Fr Patrick.

SCRIPTURE COURSE: Grasp the Big Picture of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, with this free, world-renowned course presented online by Mauro Iannicelli. Starts Wednesday 1st October 2025 at 7.00pm. Information and registration: comeandsee.org

CHRISTIAN REVIVAL BOOT CAMP: Pier Avenue Baptist Church, 117 Pier Ave. 7th @ 5.00pm and 8th November 2025 at 3.00pm. WhatsApp 07466852583.

BCYS: Youth Mass celebrated by Bishop Alan on 2nd October 2025. The event starts with a talk from Donal Walsh, Livelife Foundation. Go to www.bcys.net/events.

BCYS: Youth Gather 25th to 26 October 2026. Go to www.bcys.net/events

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.

FR PATRICK: Will be away from 1st to 9th October 2025. Fr Peter will be covering in his absence.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA: Will meet in the Presbytery on Monday 13th October 2025 at 7.00pm. New members are welcome.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 27th September 2025. <i>St Vincent de Paul, Pr.</i>	9.30am.	MASS: Rachel Stronithem & Family Nee Todd Intentions. Abbarchi Family.
Saturday 27th September 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 27th September 2025.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 27th September 2025	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 27th September 2025.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.

Saturday 27th September 2025. <i>Vigil of The Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Karolina Rose Intentions. Shane Andrews.
Sunday 28th September 2025. <i>The Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Dec'd members of the Twyford Family. Paul Twyford.
Sunday 28th September 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Holy Souls. Ekeanyanwu & Family.
Monday 29th September 2025. Ss <i>Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels.</i>	9.00am	MASS: Stephen & Jill Morris & Family Intentions.
Tuesday 30th September 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Varghese RIP (Anniversary)
Wednesday 1st October 2025. <i>St Therese of the Child Jesus, V,D.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Abbarchi Family Intentions. Abbarchi Family.
Thursday 2nd October 2025. <i>The Holy Guardian Angels.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Fr Patrick Dalu & Family Intentions. Abbarchi Family.
Friday 3rd October 2025	9.00am.	MASS: Margaret & Jim McLeod RIP. Catherine McLeod.
Saturday 4th October 2025. <i>St Francis of Assisi.</i>	9.30am	MASS: Dakota Mayi Johnson Intentions. (Birthday)
Saturday 4th October 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 4th October 2025.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 4th October 2025	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.

Saturday 4th October 2025.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 4th October 2025. <i>Vigil of The Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. C</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Graham Baudains Intentions (Speedy Recovery) Angela Cook.
Sunday 5th October 2025. <i>The Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Lawsencia Roberts RIP. Lizzy Damien.
Sunday 5th October 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: T V Varghese Intentions. Steven.
Monday 6th October 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Merrick Bearsley & Family Intentions. Andrews Family.
Tuesday 7th October 2025. <i>Our Lady of the Rosary.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Pat Broadbent RIP. Marie-Anne Altingham.
Wednesday 8th October 2025. <i>St Osyth, Rel.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Maria Graffney Intentions. Brian & Tara.
Thursday 9th October 2025. <i>St John Henry Newman, Pr.</i>	9.00am	MASS: Finch Family Intentions. Mr & Mrs Finch.
Friday 10th October 2025.	9.00am.	MASS: Jim Doherty RIP Sr Penny
Saturday 11th October 2025.	9.30am	MASS: Ryley Brannon Intentions.
Saturday 11th October 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
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Saturday 11th October 2025.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 11th October 2025. <i>Vigil of The Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. C</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Vera Andrews RIP Andrews Family.
Sunday 12th October 2025. <i>The Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Daison, Mini, Ann & George Intentions.
Sunday 12th October 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: John Cullen Kennedy Senior Intentions. Lee Family.
Sunday 12th October 2025.	2.00pm	BAPTISMS: Maeve and Myla Madden.