

**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.*

**SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI (B)**

**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 £131.00 of which £98.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £479.14 of which £86.50 was gift aided.

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

## **MARK 14:12-16, 22-26**

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ or Corpus Christi. We celebrate the Holy Eucharist: The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ made present in the Holy Mass and reserved in the church tabernacle. Vatican II declared that the Eucharist is “the source and summit of the Christian life”. All the sacraments make possible a contact with the Risen Christ. However, in the Holy Eucharist we actually behold the bodily and spiritual presence of Christ Himself. The Holy Eucharist is truly, really, and substantially the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the Gospel from Mark, Jesus instructed His disciples to make the necessary preparations to celebrate the Feast of Passover. At the Passover meal, Jesus ‘took some bread, and when He had said the blessing, He broke it and gave it to them. “Take it”, He said “this is my body”. Then He took a cup, and when He had returned thanks, He gave it to them, and all drank from it, and He said to them, “This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many”.

The actions and words of Jesus expressed at this Passover meal, communicate the establishment of the New Covenant. The New Covenant is the sacrifice of Jesus through the offering of His body and blood in anticipation of His passion and death.

At the Holy Mass, during the Eucharistic Prayer, the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ is made present. All the barriers of time and space are lifted during the Mass. The Council of Trent states: ‘under the consecrated form of bread and wine Christ Himself, living and glorious, is present in a true, real, and substantial manner: His body and Blood with His soul and His divinity. The sacrifice of Christ on the Cross and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one single sacrifice.

We can say not only that each of us receives Christ in Holy Communion, but also that Christ receives each of us. He feeds and nourishes us in Holy Communion. Each time we receive Holy Communion, we are changed by Christ. We are drawn nearer to Christ and enter a deeper friendship with Him. Christ incrementally transforms us into the people that God wishes us to be in this life and for all eternity.

**CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2024:** All the First Holy Communion children are invited to join the Corpus Christi Procession at the 10.30 am Mass. The children should wear their First Holy Communion clothes. There will be a small party for the children at the end of Mass in the parish hall.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a collection at all Masses during the weekend 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> June for the Sick Clergy Fund.

**YOUNGSTERS SUMMER PARTY:** You are invited to join the Parish Summer Party on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024 from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. All young people aged 7 to 18 years old are welcome. Children under 7 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

**PARISH SUMMER FETE:** Exciting new Summer Fete to be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024 from 12.00 noon to 3.00 pm. Items needed for tombola, raffle prizes and for children's games. Do you have a gazebo to lend? Let us make this a successful day. Please speak to Julia Clarke, Julie Lee, or Julie Fitzgerald if you can offer any help or suggestions. Money raised to go to new hall roof.

**MAY LOTTERY DRAWER:** Winning numbers. 1<sup>st</sup> prize no 47. 2<sup>nd</sup> prize 21.

**ST JOHN BOSCO CAMP:** Will be held at Chigwell Row and is now open for booking. Children 9 to 12 years old can enjoy an amazing week, packed with fun activities including sport from 27<sup>th</sup> July to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2024. Go to [www.boscocamp.co.uk](http://www.boscocamp.co.uk) for booking information.

**YOUNG PERSON'S CHOIR/GUITAR PRACTICE:** The next practice will take place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June in the church. Guitar 4.45-5.30pm, Choir 5.30-6.30pm.

**BCSYS SUMMER LOURDES PILGRIMAGE:** 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> July 2024 – there are a handful of last-minute places available if anyone in school year 10+ still wishes to join this pilgrimage with the BCYS. Email [gabriellaskinner@brcdt.org](mailto:gabriellaskinner@brcdt.org). The parish will fund 50% of the £710.00 fee for any young person wishing to join the pilgrimage on this occasion.

**VOCATION ENQUIRERS EVENING:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June at Brentwood Cathedral. Fr Dan Mason will be the speaker. Contact Fr Mark Swires [vocprom@brcdt.org](mailto:vocprom@brcdt.org).

#### THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2024. <i>Memorial of St Justin, M.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Richard Ramkissoon RIP. Tara.
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2024.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
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Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2024.	12.00 pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2024. <i>Vigil of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi (B).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Phoebe Grace Horner (Thanksgiving) Margaret Geale.
Sunday 2nd June 2024. <i>The Solemnity of Corpus Christi (B)</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Column Gorley Intentions. Eugene Mullin.
Sunday 2nd June 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Patricia Hughes Intentions. Bryne Family.
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2024. <i>Memorial of St Boniface, Bp, M.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Dixon Family RIP.
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2024.	9.00 am.	MASS: Joe Murray Intentions. Tara.
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2024. <i>Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (B)</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Michael McNamara RIP. Eileen Morley.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2024. <i>Memorial of The Immaculate Heart of Mary.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Dison, Mini, George & Ann Intentions.
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Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2024. <i>Vigil of the Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Ekeanyanwu's Family Intentions. Chima Ekeanyanwu.
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2024.	8.30 am.	MASS: Breda Cunningham RIP. Peter McManamon.
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2024.	10.30 am.	MASS: Kate Kavanagh RIP Mary.