

Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth

National Shrine of Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: **Please, wherever possible, arrange to make your weekly offerings electronically.** If you are a taxpayer, you can gift aid the amount without any cost to yourself. This saves the work of our volunteer counters, increases our income, and greatly reduces our bank charges. 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:

Electronic Offerings £166.00 of which £130.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £529.00 of which £94.00 was gift aided.

Home Mission: £95 of which £15.00 was gift aided.

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

LUKE: 17:5-10

In today's Gospel from Luke, the Apostles ask Jesus to 'Increase our faith'. This is a wonderful prayer that we should say everyday of our lives. Jesus reassures them, "Where your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, be uprooted and planted in the sea, and it would obey you". Jesus tells us that we must use our faith to build the Kingdom of God on earth. This is our task and duty. We are told in the Letter to the Hebrews that faith is 'the assurance of things hoped for, and the conviction of things not seen.' Faith is the assurance of a God who loves us, and the conviction of eternal life. Faith is the greatest gift we are given in this life. We are granted salvation through faith. We receive the gift of faith at our Baptism. Baptism is the Sacrament of Faith. Faith, however, is a precious and delicate gift. If we fail to feed our faith, it will simply die. How do we feed our faith? We feed our faith through daily conversation in prayer with our Lord Jesus Christ; through acts of love and kindness, in particular, to those we find most difficult to love; through reading Holy Scripture, in particular, the Gospels, where Jesus tells us how to live our lives; through receiving the Sacraments, in each of which we encounter and are nourish by the person of Jesus Christ; and finally we most especially feed our faith through the food of immortality, the Holy Eucharist: the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

WORKING PARTY: Saturday 15th October 2022 meeting in the Presbytery Garden at 10.30 am immediately after Mass. We need to establish a 'human chain' to clear the rubbish currently in the Presbytery basement. Please help. Fr Patrick.

ADULT CATECHESIS CLASSES: Will commence on **Monday 3rd October at 7.00 pm** in the Presbytery. The classes are for the following: 1. Catholics who wish to receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. 2. Christians who wish to be received into the Catholic Church. 3. Unbaptised who wish to be Baptised into the Catholic Church. Attendance on the course does not require commitment to completion of the Sacraments. Please contact Fr Patrick if you would like more information or to join the group.

FAMILY FAST DAY: There will be a second collection during the weekend 8th/9th October for CAFOD.

CALLING ALL RED BOXES: Please bring in any full Red Boxes and give to a Church Steward. Thank you.

VOCATION ENQUIRERS EVENING: The next evening for those considering a vocation to the priesthood is on Tuesday 4th October 2022 at St Edmunds Church in Loughton. The speaker will be Mgr Gordon Read. For further information, please contact Fr Mark Swires: vocprom@dioceseofbrentwood.org

VACANCIES ST BENEDICTS CATHOLIC COLLEGE: Head of Humanities & RE. Lay Chaplain. See www.stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk/ for details.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE: See www.bcys.net/events for latest events.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.

Saturday 1 st October 2022. <i>Memorial of St Theresa of the Child Jesus, V, D.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Caroline Daly Intentions Peter McNanmoa.
Saturday 1 st October 2022.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 1 st October 2022.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 1 st October 2022.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
Saturday 1 st October 2022.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 1 st October 2022. Vigil of the Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).	6.00 pm.	MASS: Estelle Moss RIP Cooper Family.
Sunday 2 nd October 2022. The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).	8.30 am.	MASS: Alex Hefner & Family Intentions Shane Andrews.
Sunday 2 nd October 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Teresa Sturt RIP Lee Family.

Sunday 2 nd October 2022.	2.00 pm.	BAPTISM: Mabel Page.
Monday 2 nd October 2022.	9.00 am.	MASS: Joe Murray Intentions Lee family.
Tuesday 3 rd October 2022. <i>Memorial of St Francis of Assisi, Rel.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: Terrance Lewis RIP Marian Lewis.
Wednesday 4 th October 2022.	9.00 am.	MASS: Eddy Gahan Intentions. Mrs I Dyra.
Saturday 8 th October 2022. <i>Diocesan Memorial of St Osyth, Rel.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: Alex Hefner & Family Intentions. Shane Andrews.
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Saturday 8 th October 2022. Vigil of the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C).	6.00 pm.	MASS: Breda Walsh RIP Shelia Fox.
Sunday 9 th October 2022. The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C). <i>Prisoners' Sunday</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Halina & Bogdan Holeszowski Intentions Wojtek.
Sunday 9 th October 2022.	10.30 am.	MASS: Deceased Delasalle Relatives. Jean Fromhold