

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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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS:

Week Commencing 3rd August 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Annie Monteiro RIP - Tara

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Cynthia Strange - Tara.

Week Commencing 10th August 2025

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Lilia Kibanoff - Jo Medrano

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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 £118.00 of which £93.00 was gift aided.
- Cash Offerings £613.10 of which £146.00 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 12:13-21 In today's Gospel from Luke, Jesus tells us "Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs". Jesus tells us that it is very foolish to store up material treasures for ourselves in this life. The wise person stores up treasures for themselves in heaven. They make themselves rich in the sight of God. They store up a treasure of a very different kind. They store up love – love of God and love of others. They make themselves rich in the sight of God through acts of kindness and acts of selfless love. The love that is a reflection of the love that God has for us. The love of Jesus Christ as He hung on a cross for each one of us. The love of Jesus Christ as He gives us His Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist.

ADULT CATECHESIS CLASSES: Will commence on Monday 1st September at 7.00 pm in the Presbytery. The classes are for the following:

- Catholics who wish to receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation.
- Christians who wish to be received into the Catholic Church.
- Unbaptised who wish to be Baptised into the Catholic Church.

Please contact Fr Patrick if you would like to join the group.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2025/26: Any parent wishing for their child to receive their First Holy Communion in May 2026, is invited to attend the 9.30am Saturday Mass at Our Lady of Light Church on 6th September 2025. A meeting with all the parents will commence immediately after the Mass to explain the new programme and to accept applications. The necessary forms will be completed at the meeting. The child should be in year 3 or above at the commencement of the New School Year. God Bless Fr Patrick.

MASS STIPENDS: Please will you personally hand any Mass Stipends directly to Fr Patrick or Fr Stewart. There is currently one week's wait for a Mass to be celebrated. Thank you.

THE CATHOLIC HERALD: I would like to reintroduce this Catholic Magazine and need a volunteer to complete the administration for the Parish. Please let Fr Patrick know if you can help.

MARRIAGE HELP - Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date: 17th-19th Oct. www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 0788 7296983

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA: Will meet in the Presbytery on Monday 11th August 2025 at 7.00pm. New members are welcome.

SUMMER YOUTH PARTY: Thank you to all those who helped me with the running of the Party. We had at least 55 youngsters and they all seemed to have fun and formed some new friendships. Any youngsters interested in any event on the letter hand-out, feel free to text me. Do look on the BCYS website and start applying for their events. Parish help with the costs may be available. Please just text me. Thank you for bringing your youngsters to the Party. Julie Lee 07949087427.

FUNERAL: The funeral of Maureen Lucy Dec'd will take place on Thursday 7th August 2025 at 1.00pm. Please pray for the repose of her soul and her grieving family.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 2nd August 2025.	9.30am.	MASS: Alan Mowles Intentions. Harry.
Saturday 2nd August 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 2nd August 2025	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 2nd August 2025	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 2nd August 2025.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 2nd August 2025. <i>Vigil of Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Kath & Geoff Taylor Intentions. Margaret Collier.
Sunday 3rd August 2025. <i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Tom Fitzsimmon RIP Joan McCarthy.
Sunday 3rd August 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Victor O Babalola Intentions. Ruphina Babalola.
Sunday 3rd August 2025	2.00pm.	BAPTISM: Isabella Quiruga

Tuesday 5th August 2025	9.00am	MASS: Julian Marsh RIP. Joan Locker
Wednesday 6th August 2025. <i>The Transfiguration of The Lord</i>	9.00am	MASS: Catherine O'Donovan Intentions. Lee Family
Thursday 7th August 2025	9.00am	MASS: Holy Souls
Thursday 7th August 2025.	1.00pm.	FUNERAL MASS: Maureen Lucy RIP.
Friday 8th August 2025 <i>St Dominic, Pr.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Bernie Michael RIP. Barry Michael & Family.
Saturday 9th August 2025. St Teresa Benedicta of The Cross. V, M.	9.30am.	MASS: Vincent O'Toole RIP. Veronica Chambers.
Saturday 9th August 2025.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
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Saturday 9th August 2025. <i>Vigil of Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Ann Burgess Intentions. Margaret Collier.
Sunday 9th August 2025. <i>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Terry Lewis RIP Marian Lewis.
Sunday 9th August 2025.	10.30am.	MASS: Thanksgiving: Baby Zachary. David & Hannah Orton.