

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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3rd Sunday in Lent (A)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS:

Commencing 8th March 2026

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Conlon Family Dec'd & Living - Josephine Conlon

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Conlon Family Dec'd & Living - Josephine Conlon

Commencing 15th March 2026

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Queenie (Pat) Hughes RIP - Theresa & Family

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Commencing 22nd March 2026

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Maureen & Bernie Haugh - Eileen Morley

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Maureen & Bernie Haugh - Eileen Morley.

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 £1081.00 of which £931.00 was gift aided.
- Cash Offerings £535.06 of which £103.00 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.

JOHN 4:5-42 In the Gospel from John, Jesus spoke to the Samaritan women at the well. He also speaks to us: 'Anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water I shall give will turn into a spring inside them, welling up to eternal life'. Jesus is the water of eternal life. Through His passion, death and resurrection, we are reborn in the waters of Baptism. Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we become temples of the Holy Spirit; we become members of the Body of Christ – His Church; we become adopted sons and daughters of God the Father. In Baptism, we enter into the very life of the Blessed Trinity: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the living water welling up from Christ crucified as its source and is welling us up to eternal life. The Holy Spirit is the source of the work of sanctification in our lives. It is through the Holy Spirit that we pray to our God. It is through the Holy Spirit we receive the Sacraments of the Church. It is through the Holy Spirit that we receive the Holy Eucharist: the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: There will be Stations of the Cross each Friday evening in Lent at 7.00pm. It is important that children experience this great Catholic tradition.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LIGHT: Bishop Alan will be presiding at the Mass in celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Light on 16th May 2026 at 11.00am, with priests from the Deanery. There will be a walking procession on the sea-front commencing at 10.00am. A reception will be held in the parish hall following the service. Please make a note in your diary.

MASS STIPHENDS: Please give all Mass Intentions directly to Fr Patrick or Fr Peter. They should not be put in the collection or handed to any third parties. They may be placed in the secure black box on the left-hand side of the Presbytery door at 1 Church Road.

THANK YOU: Julie Fitzgerald would like to thank everybody for attending Danny's funeral and to Fr Patrick for a lovely Mass. The donations total £625.00. This will be used to purchase an item for the church in Danny's memory.

SPUC: I have received a letter from John Dieghan, Chief Executive thanking the parish for the donation of £610.65.

LOURDES WITH OUR DIOCESE: Join Bishop Alan and pilgrims from across our diocese in Lourdes this summer: Friday 17th - Friday 24th July 2026.

Bookings will open shortly at <https://www.tangney-tours.com/brentwood>

WALSINGHAM HOUSE TEAM 26/27: Applications now open for those 18-23 (current Yr13 and above). For more information, please see

<http://bcys.net/whabbotswick/be-on-team/> or email michaelkearns@brcdt.org.

SUNDAY DOCTRINAL & FAITH INSTRUCTION: Fr Peter will be leading instruction to existing Catholics on the knowledge of their faith:

- 4.00pm to 5.30pm Faith and Doctrinal Instruction & Sharing
- 5.30pm to 6.00pm Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction.

All are invited.

FR PATRICK: Will be on retreat from 9th to 18th March 2026. Fr Peter will be looking after the Parish in his absence.

SVP & CAFOD WORK EXPERIENCE: Week of free residential work experience for 20 young adults. The experience will run from 21st to 26th June in London. Candidates must be aged 18-25 years old. Contact KeziaH@svp.org.uk.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – 23rd May 2026: Join Bishop Alan and other parishes around the Diocese of Brentwood in Walsingham. We will celebrate Mass at the Basilica before walking the Holy Mile to the grounds of Walsingham Abbey to celebrate Vespers and Benediction on the site of the Holy House. If you would like to come, please speak to Paul Twyford.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 7th March 2026.	9.30am	MASS: Patricia Newman RIP. Tara.
Saturday 7th March 2026.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 7th March 2026.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 7th March 2026.	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.

Saturday 7th March 2026.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 7th March 2026. <i>Vigil of the Third Sunday in Lent A.</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Ann Fish RIP Mags Collier.
Sunday 8th March 2026. <i>The Third Sunday in Lent A.</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Sharon Hunt Intentions. Pat.
Sunday 8th March 2026.	10.30am.	MASS: Sajin Family Intentions.
Monday 9th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Tim Freyne Intentions. Tim.
Tuesday 10th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Anne Martin Ellis & Family. Christina & Seamus Connolly.
Wednesday 11th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Repose of the souls of the Dixon Family.
Thursday 12th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Demi Bolton Intentions. Gabriel Wilden.
Friday 13th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: SVP Conference Intentions. Mrs B Law.
Friday 13th March 2026.	7.00pm.	STATIONS OF THE CROSS.
Saturday 14th March 2026.	9.30am	MASS: Dominic & Mary Henley RIP. John Henley.
Saturday 14th March 2026.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 14th March 2026.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 14th March 2026.	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.

Saturday 14th March 2026.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 14th March 2026. <i>Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Lent A.</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Ray Williams RIP. Paul Williams.
Sunday 15th March 2026. <i>The Fourth Sunday in Lent A.</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Sajin Family Intentions.
Sunday 15th March 2026.	10.30am.	MASS: Lizzy Damien & Family. Lizzy Damien.
Monday 16th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Emmanuel Oloabanji Babalola Intentions. Ruphina.
Tuesday 17th March 2026. <i>Feast of St Patrick.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Seamus & Christina Freely Intentions. Brendan Herlihy.
Tuesday 17th March 2026.	7.00pm.	MASS: Breda Cunningham RIP. Pat Cunningham.
Wednesday 18th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Emilia Gyles RIP. M O'Kane.
Thursday 19th March 2026. <i>Solemnity of St Joseph.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Kevin & Bridget Connolly & Family. Christina & Seamus.
Friday 20th March 2026.	9.00am.	MASS: Thompson Family Intentions. Mary.
Friday 20th March 2026.	7.00pm.	STATIONS OF THE CROSS.
Saturday 21st March 2026.	9.30am	MASS: Family Intentions. Deirdre.
Saturday 21st March 2026.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 21st March 2026.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.

Saturday 21st March 2026.	11.00am to 12.00pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.
Saturday 21st March 2026.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 21st March 2026. <i>Vigil of the Fifth Sunday in Lent A.</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Jack White RIP. Reg & Ann Sims.
Sunday 22nd March 2026. <i>The Fifth Sunday in Lent A.</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Sharon Hunt Intentions. Peter.
Sunday 22nd March 2026.	10.30am.	MASS: Bernie Michaels Intentions. Brenda Herlihy.