

Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth

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

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THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (A)

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 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 £514.00 of which £434.00 was gift aided.

Collection £533.97 of which £88.00 was gift aided.

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

JOHN 20:1-9

Happy Easter, Christ is Risen! He is truly risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Today, we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Without the Resurrection, there would be no faith and there would be no hope!

In the Gospel from John, we are given an account of the visits to the empty tomb by Mary of Magdala, Peter and the other disciples. We are told that until 'this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of Scripture that He must rise from the dead'.

Jesus Christ is the fulfilment of God's New Covenant to Humanity. He is the completion of the Law, the Prophets, and the Old Testament Scriptures. Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity was incarnated into humanity through the action of the Holy Spirit and the consent of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died on a Cross in reparation for our sins. God gave His Only Son to us in order that we may be reconciled to God and be given the gift of eternal salvation and happiness.

Jesus Christ now stands at the right-hand of the Father and will come again in glory to judge the world at the end of time. At that time all in Christ will receive the Resurrection of the Body and eternal life. We are the children of the Resurrection. We are the people of joy. Happy Easter!

EASTER OFFERINGS: The Easter offerings are your personal gift to the Parish Priest. **Only the following qualifies for the personal offering:** Electronic payments with the word 'Easter' included in the reference details, the 'Easter Offering' gift-aid envelopes, and cash placed in the collection at the Easter Masses. Personal donations are welcome. Thank you for your generosity. Fr Patrick.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Join Bishop Alan and the other parishes in the Diocese on 27th May 2023. There are still some places left on the coach. The cost per seat is £25.00. If you would like to come, please write your name and telephone number on an envelope containing the money for your seats and give it to a Church Steward at the back of the Church. For further information, please email Paultwyford@btinternet.com or phone 01255 688213.

CORONATION TEA PARTY: 8th May 2023 between 2.00 and 5.00 pm with music and bingo raffle. Prize for the best crown. Tickets £10.00. All proceeds to the SVP. We need prizes for the raffle. Please leave donations in the box at the back of the Church. Contact Linda Swinbourne on 07799104874 for further information.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Are available for collection at the back of the Church for the new tax year, together with second collection boxes. You need to record your own number on the second collection envelopes.

FUNERALS: The following funerals are taking place:

Wednesday 12th April 2023 – Dora Wilson Dec'd

Monday 17th April 2023 – Rev Bernard Caszo Dec'd at 10.00 am.

Fr Bernard was the chaplain at St Michaels Convent for several years. The Mercy Sisters (The Union) would like to extend an invitation to the parish to attend his funeral.

Please pray for the repose of their souls and for their families.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023: Join Bishop Alan from Monday 24th to 29th July. Support available with medical needs. Contact Tangey Tours on 01732 886666.

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

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.

Saturday 8 th April 2023	12.00 pm.	POLISH BLESSING OF THE FOOD.
Saturday 8 th April 2023. <i>Holy Saturday.</i>	8.00 pm.	PASCHAL VIGIL MASS: Parish Community Intentions.
Sunday 9 th April 2023. <i>The Resurrection of the Lord (A).</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: Andy Jardine RIP Duffy Family.
Sunday 9 th April 2023.	10.30 am.	MASS: Breda Mitchell & Family Intentions. Parish.
Sunday 9 th April 2023.	At the 10.30 am Mass.	BAPTISMS: Harleigh & Piper Munro.
Wednesday 12 th April 2023.	9.00 am	FUNERAL MASS: Dora Wilson Dec'd.
Thursday 13 th April 2023.	9.00 am.	MASS: Dominic & Mary Henley RIP. John Henley.

Friday 14 th April 2023.	9.00 am.	MASS: Mary Rodahan RIP Brenda Hertily.
Saturday 15 th April 2023.	9.30 am.	MASS: Bishop David O'Connell RIP. Andrews Family.
Saturday 15 th April 2023.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 15 th April 2023.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 15 th April 2023.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 15 th April 2023.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 15 th April 2023. <i>Vigil of the Second Sunday of Easter (A).</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Billy Reay RIP May, Noel, Theresa & Pauline.
Sunday 16 th April 2023. <i>The Second Sunday of Easter (A).</i>	8.30 am.	MASS: John & Carmel Mullins Intentions Eugene Mullin.
Sunday 16 th April 2023.	10.30 am.	MASS: Daison, Mini, Ann & George Intentions.