

**Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth**  
***National Shrine of Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit***

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***FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)***

*Sea Sunday.*

*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.*

**SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS:** For the week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023:

- ❖ *Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Aiden McIntyre RIP*
- ❖ *Our Lady of Light Chapel: Surnod & Family Intentions.*

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS:** **Please make your weekly offerings by standing order.** This greatly helps the parish finances. 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:

Electronic Offerings £514.00 of which £481.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £652.86 of which £94.50 was gift aided.

Peter's Pence £218.05 of which £68.79 was gift aided.

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

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend for Stella Maris in support to ministry to seafarers.

### **Matthew 11:25-30**

In the Gospel from Matthew, Jesus tells us that His Father in heaven hides the knowledge of God from the learned and clever but reveals them to mere children. The Sadducees, the Pharisees, and the religious elite refused to accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah. They closed their eyes, ears, and minds to His message of the Kingdom of God. This is the kingdom of love, mercy, and joy. The disciples and followers of Jesus were the mere children. They had no education, wealth, or experience of power. In their humility and weakness, they were able to receive and understand the message of the Kingdom of God.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest". He assures us, "Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light". What is the yoke that Jesus is referring to in this Gospel? The 'yoke' is the total giving of oneself to Jesus. This is to give a sincere and unreserved yes to Jesus in our lives. Jesus does not promise a problem or pain free life. Jesus promises to be with us and to share in our problems and pains. He promises us to grant us the peace of His presence in our hearts, souls, and minds. We are to follow Jesus and place His 'yoke of love' on our shoulders. The yoke allows the oxen to pull great weights with ease. The yoke of love allows us to live our lives with the joy and peace only found in the person of Jesus Christ.

ADULT CATECHESIS CLASSES: Will commence on Monday 4th 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.

JUMBULANCE TRUST: Invitation for new pilgrimage to Lourdes 29<sup>th</sup> September to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023. Open to children and adults requiring support and assistance. Also looking for helpers. Cost £1,100 inclusive of travel and half board. Contact Caroline Southgate tel. no 07775773805 or email [info@jumbulance.org.uk](mailto:info@jumbulance.org.uk)

YEAR 13 RETREATS: At Walsingham House. 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Go to [www.bcys.net/events/](http://www.bcys.net/events/) or email [clairebaily@brcdt.org](mailto:clairebaily@brcdt.org) for full details.

TALK ON THE OUR FATHER: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7.00 pm by Fr Adrian Graffy. Go to [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org) for life stream.

### THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	9.30 am.	MASS: Tim Freyne Intentions.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2023. <i>Vigil of the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Mary Murray RIP Joe & Family.
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2023. <i>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time A.</i>	8.30 am.	MASS. Lovena Madge RIP Brian Madge.
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	10.30 am.	MASS: Anna Shield RIP Harry Killen.
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	9.00 am.	MASS: Mary & Dominic Henley RIP. John Henley.

Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2023. <i>Feast of St Benedict, Ab.</i>	9.00 am.	MASS: S Malkew Intentions. S Malkew.
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	9.00 am.	MASS: Julia & Matt Intentions. Deirdre.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2023. <i>Memorial of St Bonaventure, Bp, D.</i>	9.30 am.	MASS: S Matthew Intentions S Matthew.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	11.00 am to 12.00 pm.	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	11.00 am to 1.00 pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	11.00 am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	12.00 pm.	THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2023. <i>Vigil of the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)</i>	6.00 pm.	MASS: Raphael Damian & Gabriel Hanna RIP. Hanna.
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2023. <i>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time A.</i>	8.30 am.	MASS. Helen Wheatly Intentions. Tara.
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2023.	10.30 am.	MASS: Terrie Murray Intentions. Brendan Herlihy.