

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

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)
(Divine Mercy 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.

COVID 19 REGULATIONS: Communal worship continues to be a permitted event. The Church is open for the celebration of Mass and Private Prayer. Please follow the instructions of the Church Stewards and allow plenty of time before Mass starts to sanitize your hands and complete registration. Face Masks are mandatory. Attendance at Mass is restricted to 50 people.

EASTER OFFERINGS & CARDS: Thank you for your cards and generosity. Fr Patrick

GIFT-AID ENVELOPES: New Tax year boxes for collection at back of Church. If your number was 51 to 91, you will have a new number between 1 and 50. Second collection envelopes are available for those paying by standing order. They need to write their number on each envelope.

JOHN 20: 19-31

This is the Second Sunday of Easter. It is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. In the Gospel from John, the disciples were hiding in a locked room in fear from the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, "Peace be with you" and showed them His hands and His side. The disciples were full of joy. Jesus then breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained'. The disciples were transformed from disciples to apostles. They were transformed from students of Jesus to representatives of Jesus. It was now their role to continue Christ's ministry on earth. Jesus breathed upon them the Holy Spirit. Through the Holy Spirit they received the power of the Sacraments. They were given the authority to act in the person of Jesus Christ.

Thomas was not present at the time and refused to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. Jesus returned and spoke to Thomas telling him to "Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer". Thomas replied with the wonderful proclamation of faith: "My Lord and my God"! Jesus replied to Thomas and to us: "you believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe". This message should fill each of us with joy. We are the ones who have not seen and yet believe. Jesus tells us that we are the happy ones.

Jesus Christ through His death and Resurrection has released an ocean of love and mercy upon the earth. This is the message of Divine Mercy Sunday. This is the message of Easter. Merciful Jesus, I place my trust in you.

FUNERALS: The following funeral is taking place next week:

Tuesday 13th April: Alan Wright Dec'd

Please pray for the repose of his soul and for the support of his grieving family.

READING THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES: One of the features of the Easter season is our daily reading of the Acts of the Apostles. Fr Adrian Graffy, parish priest of Gidea Park and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, has prepared two audio talks on this interesting book. They can be accessed at any time free of charge by simply going to the homepage of www.whatgoodnews.org It is hoped they will be a useful accompaniment to our daily reading from Acts.

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY – NEW TRUSTEES: We at the Brentwood Catholic Children' Society (bccs) are seeking to appoint new members to our Board of Trustees to help guide and support our work. It is important for us to maintain a broad, diverse Board of Trustees that brings a wide range of expertise and ages to the table. Experience as a trustee is not required as a full induction programme will be provided. We are particularly keen to attract the input of youth trustees (age 18 +) to ensure our provision and services remain contemporary and there is no upper age or gender limitation to the role. Please read our full Trustee Advert and Role Description on our website <https://www.bccs.org.uk/who-we-are/trustees> and contact our Director, Bernadette Fisher bfisher@bccs.org.uk for more information.

THE FOLLOWING MASSES WILL BE OPEN TO A MAXIMUM OF 50 PEOPLE IN THE CHURCH.

Saturday 10 th April Vigil Mass of Second Sunday of Easter (B)	6.00 pm.	MASS: Tomlin Family – Claire Mary Tomlin.
Sunday 11 th April Second Sunday of Easter (B) (Divine Mercy Sunday)	8.30 am.	MASS: Tina Killen RIP Family
Sunday 11 th April	10.30 am. FAMILY MASS	MASS: Serena Deady RIP & family intentions. Lee Family.
Monday 12 th April	9.30 am.	MASS: Rev Sr Tresa Kuzhivelil RIP Xavier Joseph
Tuesday 13 th April	9.30 am.	MASS: Maureen Latto Intentions. Mum & Dad
Tuesday 13 th April	12.30 pm Attendance by invitation only.	FUNERAL: Alan Wright Dec'd
Friday 16 th April	9.30 am.	MASS: Holy Souls Maureen Hughes
Saturday 17 th April	9.30 am.	MASS: Mary Bojanczyk RIP. Matthew & Elaine Todd.

<p>Saturday 17th April</p>	<p>11.00 am to 12.00 am.</p>	<p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy. Please tell the Steward that you wish to go to confession.</p>
<p>Saturday 17th April</p>	<p>11.00 am to 1.00 pm.</p>	<p>Church is open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.</p>
<p>Saturday 17th April Vigil Mass of the Third Sunday of Easter (B)</p>	<p>6.00 pm</p>	<p>MASS: Alan Chaytor-Grubb Intentions. Nicola.</p>
<p>Sunday 18th April Third Sunday of Easter (B)</p>	<p>8.30 am</p>	<p>MASS: Antoni & Matylda Delikator RIP. Family.</p>
<p>Sunday 18th April</p>	<p>10.30 am.</p>	<p>MASS: Tina Killen RIP Lee Family</p>