

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

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 GUIDELINES: The wearing of face masks is suggested in crowded, enclosed spaces. You should continue to protect yourself and others.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: Please, where possible, make offerings electronically: **1. Standing order; 2. Using the Smart Bar Codes at the Church exit doors; or 3. Via the donation button on the website.** 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 £812.10 of which £553.00 was gift aided.

Collection Offerings £577.51 of which £116.00 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

In the Gospel from John, Mary of Magdala goes to the tomb and finds it empty. She runs to Peter and John and tells them: 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb'. It was Peter who goes into the tomb and understands that Jesus must rise from the dead. Happy Easter, Christ is Risen! He is truly risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the crowning truth of our faith. This is the 'Feast of feasts.' This is the 'Solemnity of solemnities.' The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ defeated death, radiates its all-powerful energy throughout time and history.

Jesus Christ is the fulfilment of God's New Covenant to Humanity. He is the fulfilment of the Law, the Prophets, and the Old Testament Scriptures. God entered humanity through the Incarnation, and the consent of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, and 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 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. In the words of Pope Francis, 'we are to radiate the joy of the Resurrection and to bring the light of the Risen Lord to others by spreading happiness, by helping those in pain and by bringing serenity and hope to the world. 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 orange buckets at the Easter Masses. Thank you for your generosity. Fr Patrick.

10.30 MASS COFFEE CLUB: Please may I have volunteers to re-establish the coffee club after the Sunday 10.30 am Mass. Let Fr Patrick know if you can help.

WEBSITE TO HELP UKRAINE: CARITAS has a webpage dedicated to ways that people can help – through prayer, financial donations, and donations of food, medical supplies, and clothing. All the information is at: www.caritasbrentwood.org/ukraine

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: A coach has been booked for Saturday 28th May 2022. To book your seat on the coach, please put your name and contact number on an envelope containing the coach fee of £20.00 per seat, and give it to a Church Steward at Mass. Bookings will be on a first come, first serve basis. The closing date for bookings will be Sunday 8th May.

BRENTWOOD YOUTH SERVICE 2022 EVENTS: Please see www.bcys.net/events for information.

COLCHESTER REFUGEE COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP: Support group being established at St John Payne Parish. Meeting on Saturday 7th May at 1.30 pm in Church Hall, Blackthorn Ave, Colchester CO4 3QD. Email SJPRefugeeProject@gmail.com for more information.

THANK YOU: For everybody that has helped with the preparations for Easter in the parish including the cleaners, florists, sacristans, altar servers, church stewards, gardeners, readers, catechists, and everybody that contributes to our wonderful community. Fr Patrick.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES.

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| Saturday 16 th April 2022. | 12.30 pm. | POLISH BLESSING OF THE BASKETS. |
| Saturday 16 th April 2022. | 8.00 pm. | EASTER VIGIL MASS. The People of the Parish. |
| Sunday 17 th April 2022 <i>Solemnity of the Resurrection of The Lord. (C).</i> | 8.30 am. | MASS: Jose Ramaekers-Rigo RIP Parish. |
| Sunday 17 th April 2022. | 10.30 am. FAMILY MASS. | MASS: Pat Hughes RIP May, Noel, Theresa & Pauline. |
| Wednesday 20 th April 2022. | 9.00 am. | MASS: Thomasina Sinclair RIP Netta & David. |
| Thursday 21 st April 2022. | 9.00 am. | MASS: Mary Powell RIP Joe. |
| Friday 22 nd April 2022. | 9.00 am. | MASS: Amber Heard & Family Intentions. |

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| Saturday 23 rd April 2022. | 9.30 am. | MASS: Breda Mitchell & Family Intentions Parish. |
| Saturday 23 rd April 2022. | 11.00 am to 12.00 pm | SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions will be heard in the Sacristy. |
| Saturday 23 rd April 2022. | 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. | Church is open for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. |
| Saturday 23 rd April 2022. | 12.00 pm. | THE HOLY ROSSARY |
| Saturday 23 rd April 2022. <i>Vigil of the Second Sunday of Easter (C).</i> | 6.00 pm. | MASS: Ray Williams RIP Joan & Paul Williams. |
| Sunday 24 th April 2022. <i>Second Sunday of Easter (C).</i> | 8.30 am. | MASS: John Martin RIP Christine Tom & Family. |
| Sunday 24 th April 2022. | 10.30 am. | MASS: Julia Clarke & Family Intentions Parish. |