

SATURDAY 17:00	11th	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Vigil Mass <i>Cannon Patrick Chrystal - Int</i>
SUNDAY 09:00 10:45 16:00	12th	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> Sung High Mass <i>Barry Fitzgerald - RIP</i> Mass (Divine Worship)
MONDAY	13th	St Henry <i>No Mass</i>
TUESDAY 09:30	14th	St Camillus of Lellis, Pr Mass
WEDNESDAY 19:00	15th	St Bonaventure, Bp, D Mass (Divine Worship)
THURSDAY 12:00	16th	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mass
FRIDAY 12:00	17th	Feria Mass
SATURDAY 09:00 17:00	18th	St Mary on Saturday Mass Vigil Mass for SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
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CONFESSIONS are heard half an hour before Masses, **Saturdays from 16:00** or by appointment.

Chantry List for the coming week: We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially for those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: *Bridgid Lowe; Margaret Allison; Patricia Parrington; Peter Henley; Anne Rodgers; Dominic Clark; John Gormley; John Wood; Lilian Slow. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Our prayers for the Sick & Suffering include: Angela L, Barry S, Kerri H, Maura G, Sid B, Marjorie S, Genette F, Teresa H, Noel K, Dean K, Christopher D, Peter W, Gina O, Carmelo S, Samantha B, John, Isaac Nelson, Ann Mary B, Brian B, Grace Gosling-Campbell, Beth Thompson, Evelyn Korinth, Samson, Pamela Boulden, Holly Flatman, John Devraj, Coral, Lorica Bagain, Violetta.

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St John Payne Catholic Parish

Greenstead, Ardleigh and Mistley

We of St John Payne Catholic Parish seek to reflect the joyful life-affirming power of Christ's Living Presence among all where Essex meets East Anglia.



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

12th July 2026

1st Reading:

Isaiah 55:10-11 *'The rain makes the earth bring forth and sprout.'*

Responsorial Psalm:

R/ Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

2nd Reading:

Romans 8:18-23 *The creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.'*

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 13:1-23 *'A sower went out to sow.'*

SEA SUNDAY - STELLA MARIS

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday, this Sunday 12th July, is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.



Please turn off your mobile phone or put it on silent mode while you are in church.

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JULY: For respect for human life.

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

PARKING: Please ensure that you park your cars legally and considerately. Do not park on pavements or raised crossings, nor block driveways or dropped kerbs. If there is no more parking available on Blackthorn Avenue, please try the car park behind the social club. Thank you for your co-operation.

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: Our regular monthly collection of donations of food, toiletries and nappies will be this Sunday 12th July.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: There will be a meeting for anyone interested in establishing an SVP conference in this Parish, on Sunday 2nd August at 12:30. This will be an opportunity to find out more about how the SVP supports those experiencing poverty in England and Wales or overseas, with our guest speaker, Cathy, from the Wivenhoe SVP conference.

MASS INTENTIONS: Offering Mass for someone living or dead is a powerful form of prayer. If you would like to have a Mass offered, then please use one of the envelopes provided in the foyer or speak to Fr Alex, giving the name of the person and preferred date.

THE SANCTITY OF LIFE MINISTRY will be attending the March for Life on Saturday 5th September in London via train from Colchester. If you wish to join us please text or WhatsApp Jenny 07754005017. We also welcome new volunteers.

SANCTUARY PROJECT: Thank you to all who have contributed so generously. We aim to raise a final £1,875 to fully cover the cost of our new furnishings, including a set of altar frontals and parquet flooring.

ICON OF ST JOHN PAYNE: We would like to have a professional quality photograph of the icon taken before it goes back on display. If anyone could help with this, please speak to Fr Alex.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: If you would be interested in going on a Parish pilgrimage to Rome in Spring 2027, please speak to Fr Alex.

NEW WEBSITE: If you have any high resolution photos of the church, hall, or community that might be suitable for use on a redesigned church website, then please let Fr Alex know, or email them to greenstead@brcdt.org. **Please do not include any photos of children.**

CAFOD-DEC VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL: You can help our neighbours affected by the earthquakes on 24th June with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but we need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives. Please keep our neighbours in Venezuela in your prayers. Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: cafod.org.uk/Venezuela or call 0300 999 0030 or scan the QR code.



FINAL PLACES - SUMMER HOLIDAY OPPORTUNITY: The St John Bosco Children's Camp is held near Brentwood. It is an activities camp including archery, fishing, Aqua Park visit, football, kayaking and much more. Final places are currently available for children currently in school year 5 - 7 (i.e. aged 9 - 12 on 31st August 2026) to spend a week at camp. Week One 25th July - 1st August or Week Two 1st - 8th August. The camp is run with a Catholic ethos and is for all children, especially those who may not otherwise have a summer holiday. Suggested donation £200, but fully funded places are also available thanks to generous grants. All application details are at www.boscocamp.co.uk

STAY & PLAY and LITTLE STARS: The Greenstead Stay & Play group meets in our Church Hall every Wednesday morning 09:30-11:30 during term time.

GREENSTEAD YOUTH CLUB resumes meeting here in our Church Hall every Thursday from 18:00 - 20:00 (term time only). Ages 11-16 welcome.

STANDING ORDERS AND GIFT AID: Have you thought about giving by standing order? This really helps us to manage our finances. Gift-aiding your donations enables the Parish to reclaim tax at no cost to you! Please speak to Yemi for more information.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: If you have any questions or concerns about safeguarding, or need a new or renewed DBS certificate for a volunteer role in the Parish, please contact Lindsay Francis on 07977917554 or Mike Sheehan on 07493777225; or by email at Safeguarding-greenstead@brcdt.org or via the Parish Office.

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