

SATURDAY	23rd	PENTECOST (A) Vigil Mass
SUNDAY	24th	PENTECOST (A) Mass (Divine Worship) followed by the Rosary Sung High Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> followed by Bring & Share Lunch
MONDAY	25th	Mary, Mother of the Church No Mass
TUESDAY	26th	St Philip Neri, Pr No Mass
WEDNESDAY	27th	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY No Mass
THURSDAY	28th	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST No Mass
FRIDAY	29th	Ember Friday in Whitsun Week No Mass
SATURDAY	30th	THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Mass
		Vigil Mass for THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A)
SUNDAY	31st	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A) Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> Sung High Mass <i>First Holy Communion Candidates</i> Mass (Divine Worship)

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: *Shirley Turner; Paul Rose; Evelyn Arber; Terence Quinlan; Bernadette Sheil; Charles Thorpe; Rosemary Morris; Gladys Gosling; Hannah Hart; Stephen Zouvanis.. 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.



PENTECOST (A)

24th May 2026

1st Reading:

Acts 2:1-11 *‘They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.’*

Responsorial Psalm:

R/. Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13 *‘In one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.’*

Gospel Reading:

John 20:19-23 *‘As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you. Receive the Holy Spirit’*

TRINITY SUNDAY
31st May 2026

First Holy Communion will take place at the 10:45 Mass.

There are 22 children being prepared, and we anticipate a large number of visitors supporting them. If you are not with a candidate, please strongly consider **coming to one of the other Trinity Sunday Masses:** Saturday 17:00, Sunday 09:00, or 16:00 (*Divine Worship*).

Please pray for all our First Holy Communion Candidates and their families.

Our heartfelt thanks to Grace for preparing them!



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

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR MAY: That everyone might have food.

Let us pray that everyone might have food and that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to adequate food.

JOYFUL CLUB: Celebrate the month of Our Lady with the Joyful Club on Saturday 30th May 2026 from 11:15 – 12:45. The session will feature games, arts and craft. We look forward to seeing the children there!

SUMMER FAYRE! On Saturday 27th June. Volunteers needed to help organise, run stalls, and with setting up etc. Please speak to Ann Roughan.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY was on Sunday 17th May: If you would like to contribute, please use your envelopes or the card machine.

NEXT SECOND COLLECTION: For sick and retired clergy will be taken at Masses on Sunday 7th June.

CORPUS CHRISTI: Is celebrated **on Sunday 7th June.** The 10:45 Mass will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction.

SANCTUARY PROJECT: If you would like to donate to this project, please speak to Fr Alex or choose the Sanctuary Fund on the card machine. A big 'Thank you' to those who have donated so far. We aim to raise a final £3,250!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: We have a Children's singing group in the Church Hall on Saturday mornings from 10:00-11:15. This is aimed at children aged 7 and above, but may include younger children if they are keen to learn. **Parents need to accompany children**, but tea and coffee will be available.

ADULT CHOIR: We also hold singing rehearsals for our adult singers on Saturday mornings, from 11:15 – 12:30. No experience needed, all welcome!

FOOD BANK: The next collection will be on Sunday 14th June.

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.

CATHOLIC LEGACY WEEK, 24-30 May, is a time when Parishes and Catholic charities such as CAFOD celebrate the work made possible in the life of the Church through gifts in Wills. Find out more about the week using QR code or at [//cafod.org.uk/CatholicLegacyWeek](https://cafod.org.uk/CatholicLegacyWeek)



BCCS CHARITY LUNCH: Brentwood Catholic Children's Society invites you to a wonderful charity two-course luncheon at the beautiful Grade II listed Georgian house, The Lawn in Rochford. Friday June 19th - 13:00-15:30 - Tickets are £38.50 per person. To book, please go to <https://www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events-campaigns/>

DEBT CRISIS PETITION: You're invited to sign a petition about the debt crisis affecting many of the world's poorest countries. Money is flowing out of countries that can least afford it to pay huge debts to wealthy banks and hedge funds.

34 African countries allocate more money to servicing debts than to health or education. Countries have often paid back the debt several times over but will never clear it because of extortionate interest rates. Cardinal Stephen Ameyu Martin Mulla from South Sudan says, "Years of instability forced our nation to borrow in order to function. Today, so much of our national resources are diverted to servicing that debt, instead of paying for healthcare, education and building peace. When debt repayment takes priority over essential services, the poorest suffer most."

Please sign the petition online by scanning this QR code – thank you. Read more at cafod.org.uk/cancelthedebt



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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