

SATURDAY 17:00	19th	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Vigil Mass <i>Maria Lodge - INT</i>
SUNDAY 09:00 10:45 16:00	20th	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Mass <i>Noah Woods RIP & family</i> Sung High Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> Mass (Divine Worship)
MONDAY 12:00	21st	ST MATTHEW, Ap, Ev Mass <i>Nicholas Irven - RIP</i>
TUESDAY	22nd	Feria <i>No Mass</i>
WEDNESDAY 19:00	23rd	St Pius of Pietrelcina, Pr Mass (Divine Worship) <i>Mrs Charles Fingleton - RIP</i>
THURSDAY 12:00	24th	OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM Mass <i>Charles de Salis - RIP</i>
FRIDAY 12:00	25th	Feria Monthly Requiem Mass <i>September Anniversaries RIP</i>
SATURDAY 08:00 09:00	26th	Ss Cosmas & Damian, Mm Exposition and Benediction Mass <i>Good Estate of Sr Veronica Thomson</i>
17:00		Vigil Mass for TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>John Farrell - RIP</i>
SUNDAY 09:00 10:45 16:00	27th	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> Sung High Mass Mass (DW): OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM (transferred)

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: *Pearl Wright; Kathleen White; Margaret Little; Elsa Rios Kirk; Clare Gilfrin; Georgina Drumm; Patrick Hurley; Margretta Bateman; Annie Drake; Sr Magdalene John; Jean Henley. 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.



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) *Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity* **20th September 2026**

1st Reading:

Isaiah 55:6-9

'My thoughts are not your thoughts.'

Responsorial Psalm:

R/ The Lord is close to all who call him.

2nd Reading:

Philippians 1:20c-24,27a

'For to me to live is Christ.'

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 20:1-16

'Do you begrudge my generosity?'

PARISH QUIZ

Our next parish quiz will be on
Saturday 26th September at 19:00, in the Church Hall.
Tickets are £5 each; bring your own snacks and drinks.
Raffle prizes appreciated!
Contact David Bates for tickets or more information at
dabates1506@gmail.com or tel. 01206 863067
All welcome!



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

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER: For the care of water.

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: We are planning our Parish pilgrimage to Rome for 4 nights during the second week of the Easter holidays (Monday 5th to Friday 9th April 2027). Families and individuals all welcome. Anticipated cost is £1,327 per person (note there is a children's discount of £245; and a single room supplement of £200). The cost will include: Return flights from Stansted to Rome Ciampino airport; transfers to and from the hotel in Rome; hotel accommodation on a half-board basis (i.e. breakfast and dinner included), group activities and excursions and travel insurance (for UK residents aged under 85 years). We will attend Mass each day and the Papal Audience on the Wednesday. Please speak to Fr Alex if you have questions or would like to come. Booking forms now available. See posters and the itinerary for more information.

SECOND COLLECTION – EVANGELII GAUDIUM (HOME MISSIONS) SUNDAY: On this day we are asked to pray for the work of evangelisation and to support this vital work through our donations.

MISSIO (RED BOXES) APPEAL: Fr Paul Boagey, one of the Mill Hill Missionary Priests will be visiting this Parish on 26th and 27th September, to thank parishioners for their support and to talk about the work of Missio.

RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic, please speak to Fr Alex. Preparation will begin this Autumn.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP: If anyone would be interested in setting up a youth group for our young people, please speak to Fr Alex or Nnennaya.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: There will be a meeting for those interested in helping to establish an SVP conference in this Parish, on Sunday 4th October at 12:30 in the Church Hall.

PHOTOGRAPHS FOR OUR NEW WEBSITE: Over the coming weeks, photographs will be taken during Mass and at other times for use on our new website. If you do not want to be in those photographs, please email Fr Alex at the Parish email address, so that we have a record. Whenever photography is taking place, a notice will be displayed on the inner Church door.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Our Children's singing group meets in the Church Hall on Saturdays from 10:00 – 11:15. This is aimed at children aged 7 and above, but younger children may be included if they are keen to learn. **Parents must accompany children;** but tea and coffee will be available.

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

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: On Friday 2nd October we are asked to fast in solidarity with our neighbours in need, and to donate what we save to CAFOD's appeal. Please see the poster displayed in the church foyer. Envelopes will be handed out at Masses on the weekend of 3rd and 4th October. Thank you for your generosity.

FOUNDATION DAY TALK: The Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre invite you to their Foundation Day Talk on Friday 9th October at 2pm: 74, HOWE CLOSE, COLCHESTER CO4 3XD. It will be given by Dr Cormac Begadon, on the topic 'Between Faith and Fortune - The Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre, Atlantic World and the Paradox of Religious Benefaction in the 18th century'. To book, please visit: <https://canonesses.co.uk/event/foundation-day-2026/>

OUTSIDE TOYS: The nursery toys on the patio **belong to the Stay and Play group, NOT** to the parish. Please be responsible for your children. If they do play with these toys, please make sure that they do so respectfully, and that they are replaced afterwards. Thank you.

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.

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.

'THE PRIEST'S CONCERT': 09th-10th October at The Lawn, Rochford. Enjoy fine dining and seize a rare opportunity to see world-renowned singers Fr. Eugene and Fr. Martin, formerly of 'The Priests', perform in this intimate and exclusive setting - an occasion not to be missed! For full details and to purchase tickets, please visit www.bccs.org.uk/get-involved/events-campaigns/ or contact Julie Abbott 07912277413 / jabbott@bccs.org.uk

BABY LOSS SERVICE: On the 13th October at 7pm in Chelmsford Cathedral, Saying Goodbye, (part of Mariposa International) will be hosting a Saying Goodbye Service, for anyone who has either personally lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in early years, or who has been affected by family members' or friends' loss. To read more on the charity, please see the Saying Goodbye website: www.sayinggoodbye.org

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.

PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS –Please send **all** correspondence, and Newsletter items (by midday on Thursday) to: greenstead@brcdt.org