

SATURDAY	24th	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)	
17:00		Vigil Mass	<i>Good estate of Felicity Toone - Int</i>
SUNDAY	25th	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)	
09:00		Mass	<i>Michael & Mary McDonald - RIP</i>
10:45		Sung High Mass	<i>Edith Duffy - RIP</i>
16:00		Mass (Divine Worship)	<i>Our Parish Community</i>
MONDAY	26th	SS Chad & Chad, Bpp	
		<i>No Mass</i>	
TUESDAY	27th	Feria	
		<i>No Mass</i>	
WEDNESDAY	28th	SS SIMON AND JUDE, App	
		<i>No Mass</i>	
THURSDAY	29th	Feria	
		<i>No Mass</i>	
FRIDAY	30th	Feria	
		<i>No Mass</i>	
SATURDAY	31st	Feria	
		<i>No Exposition and Benediction</i>	
		<i>No Mass at 09:00</i>	
17:00		Vigil Mass for ALL SAINTS	<i>Liam Bradley - Int</i>
SUNDAY	1st	ALL SAINTS	
09:00		Mass	<i>Ronnie McKay - Int</i>
10:45		Sung High Mass	<i>Our Parish Community</i>
16:00		Mass (Divine Worship)	<i>Marie Callanan - RIP</i>

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: *Gina Stephenson; John Doherty; Alma Bell; Bill Perkins; Russell Crook.* **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.



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

25th October 2026

1st Reading:

Exodus 22:21-27

'If you mistreat any widow or fatherless child, my wrath will burn against you.'

Responsorial Psalm:

R/I love you, Lord, my strength.

2nd Reading:

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

'You turned away from idols to serve God and to wait for his Son.'

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 22:34-40

'You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.'

CHILDREN'S ALL SAINTS PARTY

Saturday 31st October from 11:30 - 13:30
in the Church Hall

Come dressed as your favourite Saint!

Games; Activities; Food & Drink; Prizes

All are warmly welcome!



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

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: For mental health ministry.

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

KSC COUNCIL COLCHESTER ROSARY CRUSADE: The KSC will pray the Rosary here in the Church after the 10:45 Mass this Sunday 25th October. All are welcome to join them!

ALL SOULS – MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER: *Mass times 09:30; 12:00 and 19:00 (Sung Divine Worship)*. If you would like your departed loved ones to be prayed for by name at the 12:00 Mass, please put their names in the envelopes provided (please write clearly!). If you would like a Mass to be said for a departed loved one during November, please include an offering.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: We will be proceeding with an application to start our own St John Payne Parish SVP conference. Our next meeting is on **Sunday 1st November at 12:30** in the Church Hall. All are welcome to come and find out more about SVP and what we can do to help our neighbours!

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: takes place from Monday 5th to Friday 9th April 2027. Families and individuals all welcome. The cost is £1,327 per person (there is a children's discount of £245; and a single room supplement of £200). The cost includes: 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.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – SAVE THE DATE! Our Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 5th December from 11:00 to 15:00. Volunteers needed! More details soon!

WEDNESDAY EVENING COURSE: No course this Wednesday.

PARISH BOOK CLUB: Saturday 14th November at 13:00. Lunch will be provided! We are planning a Parish Book Club, starting on Saturday 14th November, and meeting in the Church Hall every few months. Our first book is '*Brideshead Revisited*' by Evelyn Waugh. If you are interested in coming, and would like a copy of the book, we have a few second hand copies available, in the Repository. Alternatively, the highly acclaimed 11-part TV series is available to stream free on *itvx*.

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.

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!

CHRISTMAS CRIB / NATIVITY STABLE: If anyone has woodworking / construction skills and would be prepared to create a new Christmas Crib / Nativity Stable for our Church, please speak to Fr Alex!

CANONESSES OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE: We are celebrating the Annual Mass for our deceased relatives and friends, in particular those buried in our cemetery, on Saturday 7th November at 14:00 at New Hall in the School Chapel. The Mass will be followed by visits to the cemetery for those who wish, and tea. All welcome. For purposes of catering and printing, please let us know if you will be with us by emailing crssuk@canonesses.co.uk

GREENSTEAD YOUTH CLUB: resumes in the Church Hall every Thursday from Thursday 5th November, 18:00 – 20:00. Ages 11-16 welcome.

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.

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