

SATURDAY 17:00	28th	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (A) Vigil Mass	
SUNDAY 10:00	29th	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (A) Sung High Mass	<i>Our Parish Community</i>
MONDAY 12:00	30th	Monday of Holy Week Mass	
TUESDAY 09:30	31st	Tuesday of Holy Week Mass and Rosary	
WEDNESDAY 19:00	1st	Wednesday of Holy Week Mass (DW)	
THURSDAY 19:00	2nd	MAUNDY THURSDAY EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	
FRIDAY 12:00	3rd	GOOD FRIDAY Children's Stations of the Cross	
SATURDAY 20:00	4th	HOLY SATURDAY SOLEMN VIGIL OF EASTER	
SUNDAY 09:00	5th	EASTER SUNDAY Mass (DW)	<i>Our Parish Community</i>
SUNDAY 10:45		Sung High Mass	<i>Michael & Eileen Sabini - 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 happy repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially for those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: *Christine Maddock; Wendy Kirk; Michael Dereham; Mary Wilkinson; Doreen Buchanan; Peter Fox; John Drumm; Emily James; Anne Curtis; Molly Tomkins; Josephine Fleet; Peter Edwards; Thomas Hands; Kathleen Goodwin.* **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.

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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.



PALM SUNDAY (A)

29th March 2026

1st Reading:

Isaiah 50:4-7 *'I hid not my face from disgrace, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.'*

Responsorial Psalm:

R/. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

2nd Reading:

Philippians 2:6-11 *'He humbled himself, therefore God has highly exalted him.'*

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 26:14-27:66 **The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ**



THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

MAUNDY THURSDAY 19:00 Mass

GOOD FRIDAY 12:00 Children's Stations of the Cross
15:00 Liturgy

HOLY SATURDAY 20:00 The Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY 09:00 Mass (DW)
10:45 Sung High Mass



THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that their communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

HOLY WEEK: Please take a flyer with details of the service times in Holy Week, and a poster to display in your windows at home.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: If you are planning to attend the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, and would be willing to have one of your feet washed, please sign up on the list in the church foyer.

WATCHING AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE: If you are able to watch before the Blessed Sacrament following the Mass on Maundy Thursday, please sign up on the list in the church foyer.

EASTER OFFERINGS: Envelopes are available in the church foyer, or please use the card machine. Many thanks!

EASTER CARDS: Are now available from the Repository at very reasonable prices! We also have rosaries and other items. Thank you! *Ann Roughan*

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 need to raise a final £5,000!

MARIA GUIVER – RIP: The funeral Mass will take place here at St John Payne on Tuesday 31st March at 13:00, followed by burial at Ardleigh Cemetery at 14:15, and a reception from 14:45 at The Wooden Fender, Ardleigh CO7 7PA.

LADIES COFFEE MORNING: Thursday 2nd April 10:30-12:00 in SJP Hall. At this meeting we will be making Easter decorations and decorating eggs. As usual tea and coffee, come and join us for a pleasant morning. Contact 01206 826491. *Maureen Bulmer*

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 served.

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

ST JOHN PAYNE LEGO ICON: As you will recall from the Christmas fair, we are currently building a Lego picture of the Icon of St John Payne to be displayed in the Church Hall. We are selling bricks at 10p per brick which are then placed on the boards to make the picture and raise funds for our building works. Our Lego Club have

volunteered to construct the sections as we receive donations. If you would like to sponsor some bricks please make a donation using the card machine under the category "St John Payne Lego". If you are happy to leave your email address with your donation, the Lego club will send you a picture of the bricks purchased. If you'd like to place the bricks on the board yourself, please either join us at our next Lego Club or speak with James Bates after Mass.

NEW YOUTH CLUB IN GREENSTEAD: Here in SJP Church Hall, every Thursday from 6-8pm (term time only). Ages 11-16 welcome.

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.

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.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM Saturday 23rd May 2026: Join Bishop Alan and other parishes around the Diocese of Brentwood in Walsingham. We will celebrate Mass at the Basilica before walking the Holy Mile to the grounds of Walsingham Abbey to celebrate Vespers and Benediction on the site of the Holy House. If you would like to come please contact Fr Alex.

BCYS SUMMER LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 18th -25th July: Applications are open online for this years' Lourdes pilgrimage for those in year 10 and above. You can find all information and the link to apply at www.bcys.net/events/sl26
As always, there is funding available for which BCYS can provide advice and support.

LOURDES WITH OUR DIOCESE: Join Bishop Alan and pilgrims from across our diocese in Lourdes this summer: Friday 17th - Friday 24th July 2026. Bookings will open shortly at <https://www.tangney-tours.com/brentwood>

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 FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM AND WEBSITE: We have a [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) page, St John Payne Catholic Church, and a new look website <https://stjohnpayne.org.uk>. Check them out

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