

SATURDAY 17:00	23rd	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) Vigil Mass
SUNDAY 09:00 10:45	24th	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) Sung Mass Sung Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i>
MONDAY	25th	St Louis <i>No Mass</i>
TUESDAY 09:30	26th	Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God, Pr <i>Mass</i>
WEDNESDAY 09:30	27th	St Monica <i>Mass</i>
THURSDAY 13:30 19:30	28th	St Augustine, Bp, D <i>Funeral of Jacqueline Boswick RIP</i> <i>Mass (DW)</i>
FRIDAY 12:00	29th	The Passion of St John the Baptist <i>Mass</i>
SATURDAY 09:00 17:00	30th	Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Mm <i>Mass</i> Vigil Mass for TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)
SUNDAY 09:00 10:45 16:00	31st	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) Sung Mass Sung Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> <i>Exposition and Benediction</i>

CONFESSIONS are heard half an hour before all 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: *James Killen (13); Brendan McEneaney (23); Olive Bell (02); Teresa Garroch (15); Ken Hytch (00); Elizabeth Aherne (94); Colin Taylor (03); Arthur Campbell (14).* **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, Kay Shaw, Grace Gosling-Campbell, Beth Thompson, Evelyn Korinth, Samson, Pamela Boulden, Holly Flatman.

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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-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

24th August 2025

1st Reading:

Isaiah 66:18-21 'They shall bring all your brothers from all the nations.'

Responsorial Psalm R/. Go into all the world and proclaim the good news.

2nd Reading:

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 'The Lord disciplines the one he loves.'

Alleluia:



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Gospel Reading:

Luke 13:22-30 'People will come from east and west, and recline at the table in the kingdom of God.'

BBQ and Hymns

Come join in to eat, sing and have fun!

Saturday 30th August at 18:30

St John Payne Church Hall

Family ticket £20; Individual ticket £8

Want to ensure that your favourite hymn features? Then place your votes! Voting slips available after Mass at £1 each. Place completed voting slips in the Church Hall.



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

THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST: For mutual co-existence.

Let us pray that societies where co-existence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

GARDEN WORKING PARTY: If you would like to volunteer to help tidy up the Church garden this Wednesday 27th August, please speak to James Bates or just turn up at 10am, wearing suitable attire.

PILGRIMAGE TO INGATESTONE: To honour our Patron, we will visit the place where St John Payne spent his priestly ministry, Ingatestone Hall, on Saturday 13th September. We will arrive at 11:00 for Mass, to be followed by a packed lunch (tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided). We will then enjoy a tour of the Hall, before departing mid-afternoon.

Please arrange your own travel: if you need a lift, speak to Fr Alex. If you don't mind a 15 minute walk from the station, there is a train at 09:36 from Hythe (2 changes) or 10:02 from Colchester (1 change).

Cost £15 per person.

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHURCH CLEANING NEEDED: If you would be willing to devote some time on a regular basis to help keep our Church clean, then please speak to Fr Alex. Thank you!

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.

COLCHESTER FOODBANK: The next regular collection at SJP will be on Sunday 14th September, but you can give at any time, to help those on low incomes who are struggling to afford the rising cost of essentials. Just call me on 07582502188. *James*

READERS NEEDED FOR THE 09:00 SUNDAY MASS: We need more readers for the 09:00 Mass on Sundays. If you are able to volunteer, please speak to Fr Alex.

THE GRIEF/BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: the group has changed its time and day to the **first Tuesday of every month at 11:30-12:30** in the Church Hall. Please see the poster on the outside board for more details or ask Judy on 07530956440 or just turn up.

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP meets every Tuesday, in the SJP Church Hall, from 10.00 – 10.45. Come and join this friendly group as we pray one of the readings for the following Sunday. Copies of the reading are supplied. There is usually a bit of social time afterwards. For further information see Judy after Mass or tel. 07530956440.

FIRE MARSHALS: To ensure people's safety in the event of a fire or other emergency evacuation event, we need to have fire marshals in the church. If you would like to volunteer, please speak to Fr Alex.

CAFOD - RESPONSE IN GAZA: Your donations to Gaza since the start of the conflict have been a vital lifeline. Right now, CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem, is delivering essential medical treatment to displaced people and providing medicines to treat chronic illnesses. We have helped 1,400 households with cash to buy supplies in the last month and we are currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice. Despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza, CAFOD's local partners are working tirelessly to help people. And with your ongoing support, they will do all in their power to keep doing so. You can find out more about how you can make a difference in Gaza at cafod.org.uk. Thank you for backing our work through holding collections for our Family Fast Day appeals and for continuing to [pray for peace](#) in the Middle East. As Cardinal Pizzaballa (Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem) says, *"Christ is not absent from Gaza. He is there - crucified in the wounded, buried under rubble, and yet present in every act of mercy, every candle in the darkness, every hand extended to the suffering."*

MARCH FOR LIFE SATURDAY 6th SEPTEMBER: The annual March for Life takes place from 1.30pm to 16:00, starting at The Emmanuel Centre, 9-23 Marsham Street, London SW1P 3DW and finishing at Parliament Square. See the March for Life website for more details on how to join this important pro-life event www.marchforlife.co.uk

SISTER CHRISTINA'S GOLDEN JUBILEE OF RELIGIOUS PROFESSION: will be celebrated on Sunday 7th September. Coffee and cake after the 10:45 Mass in the Church Hall. All welcome!

BRENTWOOD CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE - YOUTH GATHER 25th – 26th OCTOBER: Youth Gather is a weekend of faith, fun and friendship – with speakers, workshops, prayer and outdoor activities, meeting friends old and new, and all while sharing in and celebrating our Catholic faith. There will be coaches offering transport from around the Diocese included in the cost, as well as all meals, cabin accommodation and activities. This event is for year 9 and above. Apply now at www.bcys.net/events

NAPPIES: If you need to change a baby's nappy while at Church, please use the baby changing facility in the disabled toilet, and **dispose of the nappy in the bin provided.**

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 Ann Bates or Lindsay Francis at greenstead@brcdt.org or via the Parish Office.

PARISH FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM AND NEW WEBSITE: We have a [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) page, St John Payne Catholic Church, and a new look website. Check them out!

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