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| SATURDAY | 9 th | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) Vigil Mass <i>Maire Bradley - RIP</i> |
| 17:00 | | |
| SUNDAY | 10 th | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) Mass <i>Mary Catherine Hotze & Family - Int</i> Sung High Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> Bible Study |
| 09:00 | | |
| 10:45 | | |
| 15:00 | | |
| 16:00 | | |
| MONDAY | 11 th | Rogation Day No Mass |
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| TUESDAY | 12 th | St John Houghton, Pr, M Mass <i>Philly Morrell - RIP</i> |
| 09:30 | | |
| WEDNESDAY | 13 th | St Erconwald, Bp Vigil Mass of ASCENSION DAY (Divine Worship) <i>Tom Hardy - Int</i> Eastertide Course |
| 19:00 | | |
| 20:00 | | |
| THURSDAY | 14 th | ASCENSION DAY Holyday of Obligation Mass |
| 12:00 | | |
| FRIDAY | 15 th | Feria Monthly Requiem Mass |
| 12:00 | | |
| SATURDAY | 16 th | St Mary on Saturday Mass |
| 08:00 | | |
| 17:00 | | |
| SUNDAY | 17 th | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A) Mass <i>Annie Lyons - RIP</i> Sung High Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> Bible Study |
| 09:00 | | |
| 10:45 | | |
| 15:00 | | |
| 16:00 | | |

CONFESIONS 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: *Annie Lyons; Margaret Aherne; Margaret Mattei; Lesley Johnson; Ken Poxon; Tomasz Bogucki; Lilian Pooleys.*
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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10th May 2026

1st Reading:
 Acts 8:5-8,14-17 *'They laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.'*

Responsorial Psalm:
 R/. **Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.**

2nd Reading:
 1 Peter 3:15-18 *'Being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.'*

Gospel Reading:
 John 14:15-21 *'I will ask the Father, and he will give you another helper.'*

ASCENSION DAY
Thursday 14th May
Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil Mass (Divine Worship) on Weds 13th May at 19:00
Mass of the Day on Thursday 14th May at 12:00

PENTECOST BRING & SHARE LUNCH
Sunday 24th May
Please let Fr Alex know if you are planning to bring something!



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.

FEAST DAY OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LIGHT, SPOUSE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT: Saturday 16th May 2026, commencing at 10:00 with a procession on the sea front at Clacton, and Mass at 11:00. ***Please note that Mass here at St John Payne will be at 08:00 on this day.***

EASTER COURSE: On Wednesday evenings at 20:00 in the Church Hall. A video course *Parousia: The Bible and the Mass* will run throughout Eastertide. Eastertide is the perfect time for all of us to seek to grow in our faith alongside the newly Baptised. No need to book, just turn up!

COLCHESTER FOOD BANK: Our regular monthly collection is this Sunday 10th May. Or you can give at any time! Leave donated food, toiletries and nappies in the boxes on the foyer and church hall, or call me on 07582 502188. Thank you! *James*

LEGO CLUB: The next Lego Club will be on Saturday 9th May from 11:00 to 13:00, in the Church Hall. Children must be accompanied. Refreshments provided.

MEN'S CLUB: The next Men's Club will be on Saturday 9th May from 18:00 in the Church Hall. We will be watching the film 'Fatima', and following this with Benediction and Confession in the Church.

PENTECOST BRING & SHARE LUNCH: We are hoping to hold a Bring & Share Lunch to celebrate Pentecost on Sunday 24th May. If you would like to help organise this, please speak to Fr Alex.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR SUMMER FAYRE! On Saturday 27th June. Volunteers needed! ***Meeting after 10:45 Mass on Sunday 10th May for organisers.***

FREE ELECTRIC ORGAN: We currently have an electric organ in the Church Hall which is surplus to requirements. If anyone would like to have it, please speak to Fr Alex or James Bates.

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!

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.

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.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA ROSARY CRUSADE MAY 2026: Here at St John Payne on Sunday 24th May after the 09:00 Mass. For more details, please contact Michael on 07592 031588. If in need of assistance from the KSC please call 07476781885.

CARITAS BRENTWOOD: You are invited to our online Caritas Conversation on 13th May 2026, 18:30-19:30. This is an opportunity to explore our three areas of focus: Refugees, the Environment, and Homelessness, as well as the Cost of Living. Anyone can join, and we look forward to you registering:
<https://dob-conversations.eventbrite.co.uk>

CAFOD ARE HIRING. Could you inspire Catholics to participate in the Church's mission, working to overcome poverty and injustice? Do you want to work for CAFOD and encourage support and partnership within the Church? We are looking for a Community Participation Coordinator to work in the Diocese of Brentwood. Follow the link for more details and please pass on to any friends or relatives who might be interested. Closing date: 18 May 2026. See cafod.org.uk/work-with-us

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

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