



Parish Newsletter Twentieth Sunday Year C 2025

Mass Intentions 16th August – 24th August

Our Lady of Fatima (OLF)

St Thomas More (STM)

Saturday	9.00am 6.00pm	Alphonsa George (RIP) Theresa Regina Cywinski, John Cywinski		
Sunday Polish	10.30am 12.15pm	Oswald Donkor (SI, Thanksgiving) Urszula Wnęk	8.30am	People of the Parish
Monday	9.00am	Veronica Nyekanga (RIP, 1st Ann.)		
Tuesday	10.00am	Funeral mass Noreen Ward (Moran)		
Wednesday	7.00-8.00pm	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament	10.00am	For mental wellbeing for our daughter & graduation (from Clarissa)
Thursday	9.00am	Marie Christine Galagala (RIP 2 nd Ann.)		
Friday			10.00am	Mihaela (SI)
Saturday	9.00am 6.00pm	People of the Parish Jerome Gomes (RIP)&Souls in Purgatory		
Sunday Polish	10.30am 12.15pm	Veronica Fletcher (RIP) Hubert Drozdowski (RIP)	8.30am	Za Dusze w czyśćcu cierpiące



For many How often have we found ourselves in situations where we have been advised -"You can't sit on the fence; you have to decide one way or the other"! And no matter which decision is made, the result is division and disagreement. The readings today highlight "for or against" situations.

Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10: Jeremiah, prophet of "doom and gloom" so irritated the people that they decided to be rid of him. His constant pessimism left them drained of hope, and so it was resolved to free themselves from his carping criticism by a fairly drastic solution.

Hebrew 12: 1-4: The unknown author of the letter to the Hebrews continues to hold up examples of faithful men and women as encouragement to a small Christian community experiencing difficulty and persecution, as it struggled to live with the decision to convert to Christ from their traditional Judaic faith.

Luke 12: 49-53: The Gospel passage is puzzling and off-putting, and appears to contradict other statements by Christ where He states that His mission is to bring peace and love into peoples' lives. We need to understand that, here, Christ is making a prediction and a lament. He knew that people would use Him as an excuse for conflict and division. How right He was!

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - STM: Wednesday, Friday 9.30am-10am OLF: Saturday 5pm - 5.50pm
CHURCH CLEANING: OLF Friday 22nd August FHC Parents Team C.

FEASTS of the Week:

Wednesday 20th August – St Bernard, Ab, D – Memorial

Thursday 21st August – St Pius X, P – Memorial

Friday 22nd August – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Memorial

Social Events: Jubilee Year Outing

To mark the Jubilee Year there will be a visit to Our Lady of Light & St Osyth Church in Clacton, on **Saturday 20th September 2025**. This church is one of the three churches in The Diocese that you can walk through The Holy Door. There will be a mass held, afterwards we will have a picnic on the beach. If you are interested in joining us, can you please see Kay (OLF), Clara/Kay (STM) **by 17th August**. Once numbers are known we will advise you of the coach cost. Please see the notice board for further details/updates.

"A pilgrimage has a vital part to play in our life of faith for it removes us from our homes and our daily routines and gives us time and space to encounter God more deeply." - Pope Leo XIV, July 2025

Social & Fund Raising:

We are looking for volunteers to help organise our **Christmas Bazaar**. It is being held on **Saturday 6th December 2025** in OLF Hall. If you would like to volunteer, please see Kay (OLF) or Clara/Kay (STM) after Sunday mass. We would like to invite you to join us for another **Quiz** at **STM Hall** on **Saturday 25th October 2025**, further updates will be issued in due course.

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 25 August 2025 from 10:30 am to 4pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Call Millie on [07957594646](tel:07957594646) for more information.

Pray for the sick: Keith Harris, Pam Barnard, Ivan Pirnak, J.C. Nkosa, Teresa Lamb, Noreen Wright, Romualda Ratajczyk, Grace Fisher, Kathleen Evans, Fr Bernard Grogan, Angela Walsh, Jeremy Collins, Peter Kelly, Mary Kelly, Pam Matthews, Władysław Borecki, Ewa Samborska, Peter Ryan, Adele Ryan, Nial Briody, Maria Lunnon, Fabian Andrade, Eileen Rowan, John Brickley, Helen Doherty, Philip Ketedzi, Caroline Berry, Anna Sweeney, Stanisław Kostecki, Carmel Delaney, Donnah Dris, Conrado Shea, Ryan Tomlin, Mat Quinlan, Krystyna, Josie Cronin, Mary Quinlan, Anna Borsuk, Ruby Antony, Eileen Jolly, Anna Slota, Monica, John O'Donnell and their children, Neil, Anna Gawlik, Eileen, Kathleen Kidney, Andrew Sinclair, Pauline, Alica and Rodney Bill, Valda, sick parishioners from Ashlyn, Alexandra and Abbot Care Home.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of: Eileen Banting, Anne Marie (France), Peggy Kellett, Brian Quinn, Fr Mieczysław Szeptycki MS, Halyna Wetaszczuk, Mary Fitzgerald, Pope Francis, Patrick Joseph McCarthy, Helen Noyo Owie, Fr Augustyn Hamielec MS, Fr Józef Załucki, Włodzimierz Cieślak, Andrew Dodge, Anna Frances Daly, Fr Antony Ciula MS, Collin White, Patrick Travers, Brian Mooney, Romualda Ratajczyk, James Keenan, Giona Nkuni Botchway-Adjei, Christopher Keenan, Denis Grogan, Kathleen Thompson, Fr Andrzej Kuder MS, Fr Z. Pałys MS, Fr Piotr Sofij MS, Hayley Wright, Mary Sage, Patricia Carter, Radosław Iwańczyk, Billy Lomasney, Kenneth Samuels, John Stenson, Terry Farrington, Kevin McGrath, Julie Bush, Janina Zdrojewska, Zbigniew Piątek, Józef Chapski, Peter Mwangi Gekonyo, Eileen Hynes, Irene Heaphy, Joby Joy, PJ Thomas, Eveline Falzon, Dolores Lawless, Zbigniew Sienkiewicz, John Cywinski, Maria Cristina Galagala, Thomas Nelson, Paul Gaize, Bridget Minihane, Barbara Vernem, Romie Quinn, and all those whose anniversaries occur this month.

Congratulations

To Angela and Timothy on their marriage on Sunday 10th August 2025.

To Cara and Jo on the Baptism of their baby, Kellen Peter Michael on Saturday 9th August 2025.

Condolences

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Noreen Ward (Moran) who recently died. Noreen's body will be received into the church on Monday 18th August at 5.30pm. The funeral will be held on Tuesday 19th at 10.00am.