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## ***Father Peter Writes***

July is an important month for us at St James. At the end of the month we celebrate our Patronal Festival when on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July we remember St James the Apostle. We look forward to having Fr Barry Hall SSC with us to preach. Fr Barry, you may remember, came and led Good Friday for us a few years ago.

The Apostles were the first bishops in the Church and so we focus not only on St James but remember all faithful bishops and especially those who serve us. This year we have our new bishop, Bishop Norman, newly consecrated to serve us as Bishop of Richborough. We look forward to seeing him with us at some point soon. You will see elsewhere in the magazine about the role and responsibilities of a bishop.

At the beginning of the month some of us will journey to our Cathedral at Chelmsford for the ordination of Fr Taemin as deacon. You can also read about the role of the deacon in this magazine. This is an important beginning not only for Fr Taemin and Helene but also for us at St James as each new deacon and priest presents us with new opportunities and challenges.

It seems, for us, July is going to be an important month for anyone in Holy Orders, the orders of deacon, priest or bishop. We will learn more about their roles and responsibilities at the service to celebrate the Bible at the beginning of the month. The bible, together with our understanding of Holy Orders, is crucial to the life of the Church.

Come and be with us as we celebrate both this month.

***Wishing you every blessing.***

***Fr Peter Walker***

## From The Parish Registers

### Funeral Service

26<sup>th</sup> April 2011

Henry Thomas Hathaway aged 87 years followed by cremation

### Holy Marriage

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May

Julien Lawrence Beavis to Nicola Joanne Hudson

### Holy Baptism

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May

Archie Richard Nieuwenhuis

### Monday Mass

|        |                       |                |                |
|--------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Monday | 4 <sup>th</sup> July  | 7-00pm         | St James       |
| Monday | 11 <sup>th</sup> July | 11-00am        | Colonia Court  |
|        |                       | 7-00pm         | St James       |
| Monday | 18 <sup>th</sup> July | 11-00am        | Cranmere Court |
| Monday | 25 <sup>th</sup> July | No Monday Mass |                |

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|--------|--------------------------|---------|----------------|-----|
| Monday | 1 <sup>st</sup> August   | 7-00pm  | St James       | BCP |
| Monday | 8 <sup>th</sup> August   | 11-00am | Colonia Court  |     |
| Monday | 15 <sup>th</sup> August  | 11-00am | Cranmere Court |     |
| Monday | 22 <sup>nd</sup> August  | 7-00pm  | St James       |     |
| Monday | 29 <sup>th</sup> August. | 9-30am  | St James       |     |

### Friday Mass

During the school holidays the Friday Mass will be in St James' Church rather than in the School. There will be no Mass on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July.

### Saturday Mass

No Saturday Mass on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Saints Days**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July    St Benedict Mass    St James    7-00pm  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July    St James    Mass    St James    8-00am & 10-00am

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August    The Transfiguration of the Lord  
Mass St James 9-00am

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August    The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Mass St James 8-00am 10-00am

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August    St Bartholomew  
Mass St James 7-00pm

## **Celebration of the Bible**

On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July we will be celebrating the Bible. As many of you will realise this year sees the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of King James' Authorised version of the Bible. The service will be at 6-30pm and will be followed by suitable refreshments; you will have to come along to find out what that means! We will also welcome our new deacon and his family to the parish at that service; he will have been ordained that morning in Chelmsford Cathedral. Please come and join us if you can.

## **Confirmation**

Bishop Lindsay will be presiding over the Mass and administering the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July at St Barnabas Church, Abbot's Road, Colchester. We are not present any candidates this year but it would be good to go and support the people of Old Heath, all those being Confirmed and also Bishop Lindsay. The Mass will begin at 7-30pm. Please come if you can, and speak with Fr Peter if you need transport.

## **The Children's Liturgy**

The last Children's Liturgy before the summer holiday break will be on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July. It will resume on Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup>. Please do continue to bring your children along over the summer period, they are no problem in church and should you wish to, you can always retire to the vestry for a break.

## **Holy Rosary**

The Rosary will be prayed in St James Church on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July and Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August both at 7-30pm. If you are not familiar with this style of prayer, instruction is given and if you do not have your own rosary you can borrow one.



## **St James' Day**

We will be marking St James' Day on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July. Mass times as usual, said Mass 8-00am and sung Mass at 10-00am. Fr Barry Hall SSC will preach for us at the 10-00am Mass. This is an important day in the life of our church please join us if you can.

## **The Book of Common Prayer**

The Mass will be celebrated according to the rite of the Book of Common Prayer on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August. Many people tell me they love the old Prayer book, so here is another opportunity for you to enjoy it.

## **Fr Matthew Catterick**

Many of you will remember Fr Matthew, who was assistant priest here from 1995 to 1999; he is to be the new vicar of the church of St Saviour, Pimlico, London. He will be collated to the living on 15<sup>th</sup> September. Our prayer and best wishes to him and his family as they prepare to move and take up new challenges and responsibilities.

## **Motor Neurone Disease**

Join us for a 3 mile Sponsored Walk in aid of local

Motor Neurone Disease Association

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July 11am

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back

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## *At Home*

*Caroline and Fr Peter will be  
At Home on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August.*



*Ploughman's lunches will be served from 12-30 and afternoon  
tea and ice creams will be available in the afternoon.*

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*There will also be a raffle, tombola and cake stall and  
face paint and a treasure hunt for the children.*



*Please add this date to you dairy now.*



## **Gift Day**

There will be a day of Prayer and Giving for the work  
of God's Church

on

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

Please add this important day to your diary now.



**The Feast of the Transfiguration of Christ** celebrates the revelation of Christ's divine glory on Mount Tabor in Galilee (Matthew 17:1-6; Mark 9:1-8; Luke 9:28-36). After revealing to His disciples that He would be put to death in Jerusalem (Matthew 16:21), Christ, along with Ss. Peter, James, and John, went up the mountain. There, St. Matthew writes, "he was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as

the sun: and his garments became white as snow."

The brightness was not something added to Christ but the manifestation of His true divine nature. For Peter, James, and John, it was also a glimpse of the glories of heaven and of the resurrected body promised to all Christians. As Christ was transfigured, two others appeared with Him: Moses, representing the Old Testament Law, and Elijah, representing the prophets. Thus Christ, Who stood between the two and spoke with them, appeared to the disciples as the fulfilment of both the Law and the prophets.

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**The Feast of the Assumption**, celebrated every year on August 15, is a very old feast of the Church, celebrated universally by the sixth century. It commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay--a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a holy day of obligation.



## **Treasurer**

We are in great need of a Treasurer to the Parochial Church Council. The role is an important one and needs someone who has a good grasp of figures, who can be responsible for maintaining our computerised record of accounts, who can pay bills and present the results of this in a clear way to the PCC. The computer work takes around an hour a week and the paying of bills etc. a little less than that. If you feel you could help out with this please speak with Fr Peter soon.

## **BRF Notes**

We currently are looking for someone to take over the administration of the Bible Reading Fellowship notes. Five people currently make use of these notes, so it will not be an onerous task. Please see Fr Peter if you can help with this.

## **Contact Centre**

The St James Child Contact Centre meets every other Saturday and supports families that have broken down. It provides a safe environment in which the absent parent can meet with their children. It is run by a group of volunteers from St James and a few more are needed at the present time. If you could help with this, it would mean a commitment of a few hours on Saturday afternoon on a regular basis but not too often, please speak with Fr Peter.

## **Scrap Precious Metals**

To support the newly launched Restoration Fund it was suggested that we ask for people to search out any scrap precious metals they might have. You have responded very generously to this and people brought in old broken chains, watches and earrings. Some people found of rings that the stones had fallen out of and others old weddings rings from the bottom of drawers. Some silver jewellery and cutlery was donated too. This was not just the ladies either as one gold cufflink was in the collection pot. I was astounded when I took the donated times for sale and left the shop with £ 1007. This was a wonderful and magnificent response. Thank you to all those who searched and found old broken jewellery, keep searching and keep up this wonderful work. Fr Peter.

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## Diary Dates for the Year

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

Fr Tae Min Oh's ordination as deacon Chelmsford Cathedral

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 6-30pm**

Service of celebration of the Bible - to commemorate the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the King James Version of the Bible.

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 7-00pm**

Confirmation Service at St Barnabas Colchester  
Bishop Lindsay Irwin to preside and confirm.

### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Parish Ramble Meet 7-00pm at East Bay to walk to Wivenhoe.

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July**

St James' Day

### **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July**

Ploughman's Lunch after Mass for anyone who would like to join us. The cost of lunch will be £2-00. Please add your name to the list in church if you would like to have lunch after Mass, in church, that Sunday.

### **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August**

The St James Pudding Club will meet on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 7-00pm at the Rectory. The Charge for an evening of old fashioned *proper* puddings will be £7-00. Everyone welcome but tickets will be limited. The evening will consist of a small savoury appetiser, which will be followed by three old fashioned puddings for everyone to sample. In the past this has been a very popular and filling evening, so do come and join us. There will also be a raffle and all will be in aid of church funds.

### **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 3-00pm**

**At Home** at the Rectory

### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham

## **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

Colchester Heritage Day and Friends of Essex Churches Ride and Stride

The Annual Ride and Stride, in aid of the Friends of Essex Churches, is on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September. This coincides with the National Heritage Weekend and as it is an important part of our national heritage, we plan to have St James open all day. If you can take a turn in keeping St James open that would be very helpful.

Have you thought about taking part in the Ride and Stride? It is a sponsored walk or cycle ride visiting the many churches that are in Essex. One is sponsored for the number of churches visited. It does not have to be arduous, there are many churches in Colchester Town Centre alone, and so any one of any age and most levels of fitness could be part of this. People usually ride their cycle or walk but some people do make the journey on horseback, or perhaps you might even undertake this on your mobility scooter. Half of all money raised will go to the Friends of Essex Churches and half to the home church, so if you take part we can benefit in two ways. First from the direct sponsorship for St James and secondly in that the Friends of Essex Churches have made us very generous grants towards our building in the past and we hope they will again in the future.

With a building of the age of St James there is always work that needs to be done and we will have to begin another Restoration Project very soon. This would be a good way to start it off. Please give some thought to this and think whether or not you might be able to Ride or Stride for St James this year. Please see Fr Peter for more details or if you would like to be the St James co-ordinator for this day. Sponsor forms available from Paul Bareham.

## **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

Tabletop Sale at the home of Stephen Pawlak. Any help with this would be much appreciated and it will run from 10-00am until 3-00pm. We hope to be selling cakes, perhaps plants, certainly Bric-a-Brac and books, so begin turning out your cupboards to see what you have that you may no longer require. All in aid of general church funds. See Stephen for more details and any ideas you may have.

## **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 7-00pm**

Harvest Supper

## **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 8-00pm**

Parish Dinner at the Anchor Rowhedge

## **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 11-00am**

Annual Bereavement Service

## **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 10-00am**

### **Advent Sunday Sung Mass**

Preacher Fr Darren Smith SSC, general Secretary of the Additional Curates Society.

### **Parish Finances**

At the June PCC meeting it was reported that our finances are in a difficult position and to help rectify this several ideas have been mooted with regard to fund raising. So in the autumn, please look out for a Quiz Evening, and an Italian Evening. Next year we hope to organise some Tea Parties and a Jubilee Flower festival over the extended Bank Holiday weekend at the beginning of June 2012, which might also include a Street Party. It was also suggested we might enjoy a Children's Nativity Play at Christmas time.

Offers of help or other suggestions to Fr Peter please.

### **Thai 1 Evening**

A very happy and fun filled evening was held at the Thai 1 Restaurant in June. We were well looked after, as ever, the food was delicious and £45-00 has been sent to the Additional Curates Society.

### **Jubilee Tea Parties**

To mark the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen we plan to hold a series of 60 Jubilee Tea Parties throughout her Jubilee year. These might be large affairs or very small ones. The small ones might be just two or three of your friends being invited to tea at your home in return for a small donation. The large ones could be much more elaborate. All money raised will go to support church funds. A calendar will be in church soon to add your date to the Jubilee Tea Party list.

## Talking of Tea...



Once-upon-a time-everything in Britain did stop for tea, an Afternoon Tea. Afternoon tea recipes aren't complicated but do need a little planning as the quintessentially British tradition of sandwiches, scones, cakes and tea takes time. One easy way to make it easier is to make some components (scones, cakes etc) in advance, freeze then defrost when needed. Afternoon tea is such a special treat and even though it may not fit a modern life-style it is good especially on high days, holidays and celebrations.

### Afternoon Tea - What is it?

It is believed that credit for the custom of the Afternoon Tea goes to Anna, the 7th Duchess of Bedford in the early 19th century. Serving dinner as late as 9:00 pm left the Duchess hungry, so stave off hunger she would order tea, bread, and cakes in her room. The habit caught on and afternoon tea was born.

A traditional afternoon tea will start with finger-sized sandwiches, followed by scones with butter, jam and/or cream, then an assortment of cakes and, of course, lashings of tea.

- The sandwiches are usually made with thinly sliced bread, and in smart establishments, the crusts are removed. There should be a mixture of white and brown bread sandwiches.
- Super light, warm scones usually follow on from the sandwiches. The scones can be plain, fruit, or cheese depending on what you serve alongside. Plain or fruit will demand butter, jam and or cream, for the cheese, serve alone with butter.
- The final course in a traditional afternoon tea is the cake - either slices of a large cake, cupcakes, or small iced buns (also known as Fancies) and/or depending on how hungry or decadent you feel, a slice or two of tart.

There are traditional recipes for an afternoon tea, and there are, as always, those anomalies of local tradition, family customs, or personal taste that involve recipes outside of the norm. Some, often in Scotland, will also include a savoury dish, nothing heavy just a snack type dish to balance with all the sweet.

*If you have any tea recipes you would like to share then please send them in 'to-print' ready for the Jubilee!*

## **The Role & Responsibilities of a Bishop**

A bishop is called to lead in serving and caring for the people of God and to work with them in the oversight of the Church. As a chief pastor he shares with his fellow bishops a special responsibility to maintain and further the unity of the Church, to uphold its discipline, and to guard its faith. He is to promote its mission throughout the world. It is his duty to watch over and pray for all those committed to his charge, and to teach and govern them after the example of the Apostles, speaking in the name of God and interpreting the gospel of Christ. He is to know his people and be known by them. He is to ordain and to send new ministers, guiding those who serve with him and enabling them to fulfill their ministry.

He is to baptize and confirm, to preside at the Holy Communion and to lead the offering of prayer and praise. He is to be merciful, but with firmness, and to minister discipline, but with mercy. He is to have a special care for the outcast and needy; and to those who turn to God he is to declare the forgiveness of sins.

## **The Role of a Deacon**

A deacon is called to serve the Church of God, and to work with its members in caring for the poor, the needy, the sick, and all who are in trouble. He is to strengthen the faithful, search out the careless and the indifferent, and to preach the word of God in the place to which he is licensed. A deacon assists the priest under whom he serves, in leading the worship of the people, especially in the administration of the Holy Communion. He may baptize when required to do so. It is his general duty to do such pastoral work as is entrusted to him.

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## **A New Jerusalem (Psalm 147)**

**John Thompson**

Solomon's temple had been the jewel in a glorious crown. In contrast, the new temple was more a gold filling in a mouth of rotted teeth, all gums and broken stumps. Having been told of this sorry state Nehemiah, a later generation exile, who had risen to high rank in the Persian court felt confident that with the aid of his Lord God he would be able to restore the once renowned city. The current Persian king, the first of three named Artaxerxes, granted him the governorship of Judah, a new post created specifically to facilitate this work of renewal; Persia's struggles with Egypt had given the southern Palestinian states a new significance, their stability and loyalty had become of increased importance to military commanders.

In truth however, as Nehemiah was quickly to discover, the most serious threat to civil stability in Judah was not the decay of Jerusalem's walls but a widening rift between a comparatively small number of wealthy families and a mass of debt ridden poor many of whom had lost their land following prolonged drought and been forced to sell themselves or pledge their children to slavery. In an act of extreme self constraint and pity for what he found on arrival Nehemiah declined to receive his Persian salary and expenses which would have been drawn from local taxes and by which most governors acquired considerable affluence. Needless to say he was not popular with neighbouring officials who subsequently did their utmost to ensure his failure and recall. Even more remarkably he also persuaded the prosperous few to strike off loans, remit pledges and return land, vineyards and olive orchards.

These acts of selflessness did much to improve the people's feeling of solidarity as God's chosen people and bring Nehemiah himself ongoing popularity and success in spite of the many arduous tasks he was to impose.

Jerusalem was his primary concern. The city had been severely depopulated following the destruction either by forced exile or people moving to build anew in neighbouring towns and villages. Nehemiah intended that each of the administrative areas into which Judah had been divided for taxation purposes would be balloted to send one family in ten to move to Jerusalem where in many cases their

forefathers had lived. But before this great disturbance would be feasible the city needed to become more inviting and secure. A private survey taken in part after dark had shown him that the city had no defences against marauders, hill bandits or nocturnal thieves let alone an invading force: the walls had been breached in several places, their height reduced and the gates with their support posts and beams reduced to ashes. The city was open to any who chose to enter by day or night.

Rebuilding the walls was an astonishing feat of organisation and faith that the task could be accomplished. Each of the administrative areas and every street of Jerusalem were given a section of wall or gate to restore. The great gaps were a priority while raising heavy wooden gates not only required arduous labour but considerable engineering skill. All sections of society took part from slaves and labourers to priests and nobility. Work continued simultaneously on all sides, day in, day out while light lasted. When armed intimidation threatened Nehemiah organised his own protection. He was later to write

'So we continued with the work, half the men holding spears from daybreak until the stars came out. At the same time I said to the people "Let every man and his servant pass the night in Jerusalem to act as a guard for us by night and a working party by day." So neither I nor my kinsman nor the men under me or my bodyguard ever took off our clothes each keeping his right hand on his weapon.'

The wall was completed and great doors barred and bolted in remarkably short time. Jerusalem was then secure to receive new inhabitants. Two choirs toured the walls while priests blessed each gate. Once more Zion temple was to have a worthy setting, a city teeming with solvent citizens, their new homes well protected.

Psalms 124 could have served both as a work song by day and a comfort in the long hours of guard duty by night.

'The LORD is rebuilding Jerusalem.

He gathers in the scattered sons of Israel  
he who numbers the stars one by one  
and names them one and all.'

'Sing to the LORD a song of thanksgiving  
sing psalms to the harp in honour of our God.'

## **'MONASTERY OPEN DAY**

The Open Afternoon at the Monastery of St John the Baptist, in Tolleshunt Knights, will be on Saturday 17 July 2011 from 2pm to 5pm. There is always a great welcome from the Community. There are guided tours led by the Monks. A splendid Afternoon Tea is served throughout the afternoon - lots of delicious sandwiches and cakes with plenty of cups of tea.

We have an invitation from the Community to join them for Vespers at 6pm (this lasts for about 1 hour for us and at least 2 hours for them); the unaccompanied singing from the Gallery is wonderful.

Those of you who have been to the Open Day before will know what a wonderful place the Monastery is - so peaceful - with wonderful wall paintings to enjoy both inside and outside the buildings. No charge is made for the afternoon but donations towards their work - they are self-supporting - would, I know, be very welcome.

If you would like further information,  
please have a word with Pat French on 01206 862118.

## **MAMPONG BABIES HOME**

Thank you very much indeed for your Lent contributions to the Babies Home. The total collected this year was £99.41 and will be put to very good use.

As you know the home in Ghana cares for young babies who may be weak or unwell and whose mothers are unable to cope. These children return to their families when they are able and receive love and care at the home during their stay.

We are asked to pray for staff and children at the home and for babies' and children in need in Ghana and throughout the world.

# School News

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CHICK, CHICK, CHICK, CHICK, CHICKEN, LAY A LITTLE EGG FOR ME! To date, on average, we are getting 3 eggs a day. The children are having a wonderful time looking after them and it is very restful, looking at how they feed and move around our outdoor courtyard area. No major mishaps today and it is hard to imagine life in school without them. A constant focus of mine is about 'Making Learning Real' and this is exactly what we are doing with the chickens!

ART ON THE ROOF HAS MOVED! Art on the Roof has become Art on the Wall because of health and safety concerns. The first exhibition is on the theme of Mini-beasts and we plan to have a termly exhibition. The panels have created a real buzz and significantly improved the outdoor environment.

RINGSFIELD: By the time this magazine will have been published, our Year 6 pupils will have returned from their residential school journey to Ringsfield Hall. I am sure that they will have had a marvellous time and would like to thank staff for giving up their time to take them to this very special place.

READ, WRITE INC. MODEL SCHOOL SUCCESS: It was a very proud moment for me on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June when our school gained official recognition as the first Read, Write Inc! model school in Essex. Our school has introduced a very detailed phonics programme in to the school and it is good to know that the hard work of the staff and success we have had in implementing this new initiative has been recognised.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** We welcome Tony Whitehead, Camilla Harvey, Sarah Hennessy and Abbie Fairbairn, who will be joining our Teaching and Learning Team in September. I am very excited about the appointments that we have made and I am sure that they will soon settle in to the 'Saint James' way of doing things.

**BUILDING WORKS:** It is hoped that work will be starting in the coming weeks on installing a new demountable, to meet our increasing number of pupils on roll.

**BEYOND THE CLASSROOM:** Learning doesn't just take place in classrooms and in books and the school is using the summer term to extend the learning of pupils, with visits to a butterfly farm and to John Constable country.

**HONK!** Pupils in Key Stage 2 are putting on a very ambitious production of Honk! in July. We have 2 casts and the performance involves more learning of lines by principal actors than has previously been the case. I don't know much about the plot, but believe it is an in-depth story about The Ugly Duckling! If you would like to find out more, contact the school for a ticket!

**THANK YOU!** I cannot quite believe that as this term comes to an end, I shall have completed my fifth year at Saint James'. It is a privilege to lead your church school and your prayers, friendship, support and practical help is much appreciated.

Thank you!

AND FINALLY.....,

The little girl was sitting with her grandmother, who had presented her with her first little children's Bible, in an easy-to-read translation, when she was very young.

Now, a decade or so later, the elderly lady was ready to spend a few sweet moments handing down the big old family Bible, in the time-honoured King James Version, to her only grandchild.

Understandably excited, the youngster was asking a number of questions, both about the family members whose births and deaths were recorded therein, and about various aspects of the Scriptures themselves.

Her grandmother was endeavouring to answer all the child's questions in terms she could understand, but the one that stopped her cold was this sincere inquiry:

"Which Virgin was the mother of Jesus? Was it the Virgin Mary, or the King James virgin?"

Have a good July and August!

**Jeff Graham, Head Teacher**

## Mass and Prayer Intention for July

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| 1 Fri   | Thanksgiving                           |
| 2 Sat   | Fr Taemin and Helene                   |
| 3 SUN   | Church and Parish                      |
| 4 Mon   | The Newly Ordained                     |
| 5 Tue   | Parish Finances                        |
| 6 Wed   | Bishop Norman                          |
| 7 Thu   | Baptism and Confirmation Candidates    |
| 8 Fri   | Samuel & Stephanie to be Married Today |
| 9 Sat   | Vitus & Elisabete to be Married Today  |
| 10 SUN  | Church and Parish                      |
| 11 Mon  | The PCC                                |
| 12 Tue  | Missions to Seafarers                  |
| 13 Wed  | St James' School Governors             |
| 14 Thu  | Bishop Stephen of Chelmsford           |
| 15 Fri  | Parish Social Life                     |
| 16 Sat  | Parish Finances                        |
| 17 SUN  | Church and Parish                      |
| 18 Mon  | Residential & Nursing Homes            |
| 19 Tue  | Peace & Justice                        |
| 20 Wed  | The C B S                              |
| 21 Thu  | Prisons & Prisoners                    |
| 22 Fri  | School children on Holiday             |
| 23 Sat  | Walsingham                             |
| 24 SUN  | Church and Parish                      |
| 25 Mon  | Thanksgiving                           |
| 26 Tues | Parents                                |
| 27 Wed  | Stewardship                            |
| 28 Thu  | Colchester Garrison                    |
| 29 Fri  | The Soup Run                           |
| 30 Sat  | Baptism Candidates                     |
| 31 SUN  | Church and Parish                      |

## DIARY FOR JULY

|    |             |       |                      |               |
|----|-------------|-------|----------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Fri         | 9-00  | Mass                 | School        |
| 2  | Sat         | 9-00  | Mass                 | St James      |
| 3  | SUN         | 8-00  | Mass                 |               |
|    |             | 10-00 | Sung Mass            |               |
|    |             | 18-30 | Celebration of Bible | St James      |
| 4  | Mon         | 19-00 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 5  | Tues        |       | NO MASS              |               |
| 6  | Wed         | 19-00 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 7  | Thurs       | 12-30 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 8  | Fri         | 9-00  | Mass                 | School        |
|    |             | 19-30 | Confirmation         | St Barnabas   |
| 9  | Sat         | 9-00  | Mass                 |               |
| 10 | SUN         | 8-00  | Mass                 |               |
|    |             | 10-00 | Sung Mass            |               |
|    |             | 18-30 | Evening Prayer       |               |
| 11 | Mon         | 11-00 | Mass                 | Colonia Court |
|    | St Benedict | 19-00 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 12 | Tues        |       | NO MASS              |               |
| 13 | Wed         | 19-00 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 14 | Thurs       | 12-30 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 15 | Fri         | 9-00  | Mass                 | School        |
| 16 | Sat         | 9-00  | Mass                 | St James      |
| 17 | SUN         | 8-00  | Mass                 |               |
|    |             | 10-00 | Sung Mass            |               |
|    |             | 18-30 | Evening Prayer       |               |
| 18 | Mon         | 11-00 | Mass                 | Cranmere Crt  |
|    |             | 19-30 | Holy Rosary          | St James      |
| 19 | Tues        |       | NO MASS              |               |
| 20 | Wed         | 19-00 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 21 | Thurs       | 12-30 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 22 | Fri         | 9-00  | Mass                 | School        |
| 23 | Sat         | 9-00  | Mass                 | St James      |
| 24 | SUN         | 8-00  | Mass                 |               |
|    | St James    | 10-00 | Sung Mass            |               |
|    |             | 18-30 | Evening Prayer       |               |
| 25 | Mon         |       | NO MASS              |               |
| 26 | Tues        |       | NO MASS              |               |
| 27 | Wed         | 19-00 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 28 | Thurs       | 12-30 | Mass                 | St James      |
| 29 | Fri         |       | NO MASS              |               |
| 30 | Sat         |       | NO MASS              |               |
| 31 | SUN         | 8-00  | Mass                 |               |
|    |             | 10-00 | Sung Mass            |               |
|    |             | 18-30 | Evening prayer       |               |

## Mass and Prayer Intention for August

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <b>1 Mon</b>   | <b>Farmers</b>                                |
| <b>2 Tue</b>   | <b>Holiday Missions</b>                       |
| <b>3 Wed</b>   | <b>Parish Finances</b>                        |
| <b>4 Thu</b>   | <b>Parish Social Life</b>                     |
| <b>5 Fri</b>   | <b>The Church Army</b>                        |
| <b>6 Sat</b>   | <b>Thanksgiving</b>                           |
| <b>7 SUN</b>   | <b>Church and Parish</b>                      |
| <b>8 Mon</b>   | <b>Local Emergency Services</b>               |
| <b>9 Tue</b>   | <b>St Helena Hospice</b>                      |
| <b>10 Wed</b>  | <b>Local Health Services</b>                  |
| <b>11 Thu</b>  | <b>R N L I</b>                                |
| <b>12 Fri</b>  | <b>Coastguards</b>                            |
| <b>13 Sat</b>  | <b>Bishop Norman</b>                          |
| <b>14 SUN</b>  | <b>Church and Parish</b>                      |
| <b>15 Mon</b>  | <b>Parish Prayer Life</b>                     |
| <b>16 Tue</b>  | <b>Church Music and Musicians</b>             |
| <b>17 Wed</b>  | <b>Teachers and Lecturers</b>                 |
| <b>18 Thu</b>  | <b>Examination Candidates</b>                 |
| <b>19 Fri</b>  | <b>Universities and Colleges</b>              |
| <b>20 Sat</b>  | <b>Contact Centre</b>                         |
| <b>21 SUN</b>  | <b>Church and Parish</b>                      |
| <b>22 Mon</b>  | <b>Our Neighbouring Parishes</b>              |
| <b>23 Tues</b> | <b>Walsingham</b>                             |
| <b>24 Wed</b>  | <b>Our Bishops</b>                            |
| <b>25 Thu</b>  | <b>Examination Candidates</b>                 |
| <b>26 Fri</b>  | <b>Colchester 6<sup>th</sup> Form College</b> |
| <b>27 Sat</b>  | <b>Baptism Candidates</b>                     |
| <b>28 SUN</b>  | <b>Church and Parish</b>                      |
| <b>29 Mon</b>  | <b>Rest and Work</b>                          |
| <b>30 Tue</b>  | <b>St James' School</b>                       |
| <b>31 Wed</b>  | <b>All Returning to School</b>                |

## DIARY FOR AUGUST

|    |       |                     |                |                |
|----|-------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1  | Mon   | 19-00               | Mass           | St James BCP   |
| 2  | Tues  |                     | NO MASS        |                |
| 3  | Wed   | 19-00               | Mass           | St James       |
| 4  | Thurs | 12-30               | Mass           | St James       |
| 5  | Fri   | 9-00                | Mass           | St James       |
| 6  | Sat   | The Transfiguration | 9-00           | Mass           |
|    |       |                     | 12-00          | Sung Mass      |
| 7  | SUN   |                     | 8-00           | Mass           |
|    |       |                     | 10-00          | Sung Mass      |
|    |       |                     | 18-30          | Evening Prayer |
|    |       |                     | 11-00          | Mass           |
| 8  | Mon   |                     |                | Colonia CRT    |
| 9  | Tues  |                     | NO MASS        |                |
| 10 | Wed   | 19-00               | Mass           | St James       |
| 11 | Thurs | 12-30               | Mass           | St James       |
| 12 | Fri   | 9-00                | Mass           | St James       |
| 13 | Sat   | 9-00                | Mass           | St James       |
| 14 | SUN   | The Assumption      | 8-00           | Mass           |
|    |       |                     | 10-00          | Sung Mass      |
|    |       |                     | 18-30          | Evening Prayer |
| 15 | Mon   | 11-00               | Mass           | Cranmere CRT   |
|    |       | 19-30               | Holy Rosary    | St James       |
| 16 | Tues  |                     | NO MASS        |                |
| 17 | Wed   | 19-00               | Mass           | St James       |
| 18 | Thurs | 12-30               | Mass           | St James       |
| 19 | Fri   | 9-00                | Mass           | St James       |
| 20 | Sat   | 9-00                | Mass           | St James       |
| 21 | SUN   | 8-00                | Mass           |                |
|    |       | 10-00               | Sung Mass      |                |
|    |       | 18-30               | Evening Prayer |                |
| 22 | Mon   | 19-00               | Mass           | St James       |
| 23 | Tues  |                     | NO MASS        |                |
| 24 | Wed   | St Bartholomew      | 19-00          | Mass           |
| 25 | Thurs |                     | 12-30          | Mass           |
| 26 | Fri   |                     | 9-00           | Mass           |
| 27 | Sat   |                     | 9-00           | Mass           |
| 28 | SUN   |                     | 8-00           | Mass           |
|    |       |                     | 10-00          | Sung Mass      |
|    |       |                     | 18-30          | Evening prayer |
| 29 | Mon   | 09-30               | Mass           | St James       |
| 30 | Tues  |                     | NO MASS        |                |
| 31 | Wed   | 19-00               | Mass           | St James       |

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**Services at *St James the Great, East Hill***

|                  |                 |                             |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Sundays</b>   | Morning Prayer  | 07.25                       |
|                  | Said Mass       | 08:00                       |
|                  | Sung Mass       | 10:00                       |
|                  | Evening Worship | 18.30                       |
| <b>Weekdays</b>  | Morning Prayer  | 07.45                       |
|                  | Evening Prayer  | 18.00                       |
| <b>Monday</b>    | Mass            | See page 4                  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | No Mass         |                             |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Mass            | 19:00                       |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Mass            | 12:30                       |
| <b>Friday</b>    | Mass            | 09:00 In School during term |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | Mass            | 09-00                       |

*Festivals and Saints Days see monthly calendar.*

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**Confession** By appointment with the clergy  
**Holy Baptism** By arrangement after preparation  
**Ministry to the Sick** Names of the Sick to the clergy, the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for the communion of the Sick, and the Oil of the Sick for Anointing



