



ST. JAMES THE GREAT CHURCH & ST PAUL'S CHURCH
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 9TH AUGUST, 2026
GOSPEL YEAR A (SUNDAYS) – WEEKDAY II (2)



✦ TODAY AT ST JAMES:

08:00 — Low Mass

10:00 Sung Parish Mass

Dates For the Diary

Tue 11th 9- 10.30 am Church Cleaning

Wed 12th 11am Mass at Blomfield House – Fr James McCluskey

2.15pm Mass at Paxman House Alderwood Care Home – Fr James McCluskey

Thur. 13th 12.30pm Said Mass at St James the Great.

Fri 14th Midday Rosary Prayers



PLEASE PRAY FOR

The Infirm and Housebound: Adam, Ava Mills, Arabella, Gaby, Fr. Clive French, Charlotte Hefferman, David Beattie, Donna Canning, Jackie Bliss, Marilyn Mary Canning, Joyce & Ralph, Lubomira, Madeline Bates, Noreen Cunliffe, Naomi & family, Peggy Lewis, Sheila Townsend, Sharon.

The Recently Departed: Karen Cracknell, Elizabeth Jane Ross.

The Years Mind: 11th Minnie Lott.

12th Pauline Wilkinson, John Edward Hyam Clarke

13th Violet Summers, Clary John Simmons.

Anna Swaris. 14th Mabel Totman. 15th Jessi Sparrow.

Key Dates for 2026

16th August, Sunday Sung Parish Mass at 10.00 am

Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Sunday 18th October, 4:00 pm Choral Evensong with Bradley Smith, Chairman of the Prayer Book Society as our guest preacher. As this is a significant event for our City and the Colchester Deanery, please spread the word widely to family, friends, and colleagues. Let us fill the church with people we invite for this wonderful worship.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

• **Blessed Sacrament lamp:** Is sponsored by Paul Bareham in thanksgiving for his sister's Golden Wedding Anniversary.

• **St James the Great lamp:** Is sponsored by Morag in thanksgiving to God for the safe birth of a Grandchild.

• **The Aumbry Lamp:** not sponsored this week.

The Lamp for the civilians in Iran: not sponsored this week.

Sponsoring Our Sanctuary & Shrine Lamps

If you would like to sponsor one of our weekly seven-day candles, you are warmly invited to do so

How to Sponsor a Lamp

1. **Sign the List:** Locate the sign-up sheet on the notice board. Write your name alongside the candle you wish to sponsor, stating your intention (e.g. *In Thanksgiving, In Blessed Memory, or Requiescat in Pace etc.*).

2. **Prepare Your Contribution:** Take one of the envelopes available on the courtesy board or as you enter the church.
3. **Provide Your Details:** On the envelope, clearly write:
 4. The specific candle you are sponsoring
 5. Your name and any dedication details
6. **Gift Aid:** If you pay tax and are happy to Gift Aid your contribution, please mark the envelope accordingly.
7. **Submit Your Envelope:** Place your contribution in the collection or hand it in.
8. Or use the QR Code or scan the payment at the back of the church to pay and complete the details on the sign-up sheet.

If you have any questions or require assistance, please speak to **Jean** (Deputy Churchwarden) or any member of the team who will be glad to help.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Friday 19th – Sunday 21st February 2027

There are still vacancies — please think again about whether you can come and do sign up as soon as possible. If you have never been before, please do come. And if you would like to sponsor someone for whom the cost might be a struggle, please speak to Clare — in privacy — who can make arrangements in complete confidence with Lucy Mason, our Treasurer. You are equally welcome to approach Lucy directly.

The Lunchtime Concert last week raised £242.38 in donations.

PARISH CALENDAR & THE DAILY OFFICE

You are invited to us in church Tuesday–Saturday.

Morning Prayer 07:45 Evening Prayer: 18:00

This week: PSALTER **Divine Office Week 3**

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