



# University of Essex Catholic Chaplaincy



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## Third Sunday of Lent (Year A) – 19<sup>th</sup> March 2017

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### Sunday Mass on Campus - 12:10pm in the Chaplaincy

**Confession (Sacrament of Reconciliation) in Chaplaincy office:**

before and after each Mass, and whenever requested.

Behind screen: Fridays 6 to 6:40pm (\*6:30 this week) and during adoration.



*...anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again.*

Directions to the Chaplaincy: Take entrance 2NE on Square 2; go down to the 3rd floor and follow signs for the Multi-Faith Chaplaincy.

Brainstorming Session - After the Mass this Sunday we will have a second “brainstorming” session – to help Maris and Annie to have good information to present to the diocese (as part of the Stewards of the Gospel process) – to explain the importance and value of University Chaplaincy as plans are made for the future.

There is Mass at the University every Sunday of the year. Please check your emails during the Easter Holidays if you will be around. The Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil Mass) will be at St Monica’s, Wivenhoe.

Catholics at University website...I have been asked to help set up a website for people in the VI form at Catholic Secondary Schools – to tell them about University Chaplaincy. I would very much appreciate peoples’ guidance and advice with this. At the moment there is a functional website, which was set up a year ago. It is a good beginning: <http://www.cathchaps.co.uk/> - but what would be helpful and encouraging for people going to University? – Fr M.

Mass on Monday evening in the Chaplaincy On Monday evening we have Mass at 7pm as usual. There will also be a Holy Hour at 7:30pm, with Rosary

Lunchtime Mass on Tuesday – There is no lunchtime Mass this week.

Lenten Night Vigil – Tuesday 10pm to midnight in the Chaplaincy. Adoration, the Rosary, meditation and Mass at 11pm. Hot Chocolate and cake afterwards.

Friendship group Meets on Wednesday afternoons. For more information please contact Stephanie – [sogunm@essex.ac.uk](mailto:sogunm@essex.ac.uk)

Mass on Thursdays – No Mass this Thursday, but Rosary at 6:30pm

Sacrament of Confession – on Friday from 6pm to 6:30pm. Anonymous Confession behind a screen is available.

Also Confession is possible whenever requested. Please phone, text or email

Mass and Stations of the Cross on Friday

We have Mass at 7pm on Friday, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.

Rosary Novena – to prepare for the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord we are having a novena (nine days’ prayer) when we will pray the Rosary together...

Day 3	Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> March	After Mass and simple lunch	Chaplaincy
Day 4	Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> March	8pm, during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Chaplaincy
Day 5	Tue 21 <sup>st</sup> March	During Night Vigil, at about 10:30pm	Chaplaincy
Day 6	Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	6:30pm	Chaplaincy
Day 7	Thu 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	6:30pm	Chaplaincy
Day 8	Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> March	6:30pm, before Mass	Chaplaincy
Day 9	Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> March	2:30pm	Chaplaincy

## Holy Hour to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

There will be a Holy Hour to pray for Vocations on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm. This takes place at St James the Less, Priory Street, Colchester. If you are here at that time, please do make a special effort to attend.

Vocations Promoter - Bishop Alan has appointed me to the post of “Vocations Promoter”, with the task promoting vocations (particularly to the priesthood) within the diocese. Please pray for God’s blessing on this work. – Fr Mark

## Prayers for Paolo

Giulia Montesor asks our prayers for her brother, Paolo, who is very ill with a form of Leukaemia. Her family are asking people to pray to the Servant of God, Don Vittorino Faccia, asking for a miraculous cure.

## Film Night –

The next Film Night is this Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm in 3.320 (down the corridor from the Chaplaincy).

Film: Spirited Away



## Legion of Mary, Friday, 2:30pm

If you have a devotion to Our Lady and would like to help people discover the beauty of the Catholic Faith, this is for you. The meeting lasts about 1 hour and includes the praying of the Rosary. Takes place in the Chaplaincy.

The Legion of Mary also have a stall on Square 3 on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> from 12-2pm, selling posters, greetings cards and other items.

Finding Mass when you are travelling. Usually the best thing if you are travelling is to do a Google search with the name of the town you are in and “Catholic Church”

## Theology of the Body

If you’re in the London area, 19-22<sup>nd</sup> April, do go to this!

<http://stpatricksoho.org/clcl/>

A poster for the 'Theology of the Body' symposium. It features a stylized orange question mark icon on the left. The text reads: 'formed for love' in large orange letters. Below that, it says 'THEOLOGY OF THE BODY AN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35) ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, SOHO, LONDON 19TH-22ND APRIL 2017'. On the right side, there is a blue section with white text: 'THEOLOGY OF THE BODY AN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35) ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, SOHO, LONDON 19TH-22ND APRIL 2017'. Below that, it says 'EXPLORE KEY THEMES OF THEOLOGY OF THE BODY LEARN HOW TO SHARE CATHOLIC TEACHING ON LOVE DEEPEN YOUR RESPONSE TO THE CALL OF LOVE IN YOUR LIFE DEVELOP NEW FRIENDSHIPS GROUNDED IN A COMMON SEARCH FOR TRUTH DISCOVER AN INTEGRATED VISION OF THE HUMAN PERSON AND GOD'S PLAN FOR HUMAN LOVE'. At the bottom, it lists 'LECTURES • WORKSHOPS • DISCUSSIONS DAILY MASS • PRAYER MINISTRY • EUCHARISTIC ADORATION • SOCIAL TIME' and 'TO BOOK YOUR PLACE OR FIND OUT MORE, VISIT: WWW.FORMEDFORLOVE.COM'.

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## This week – Events and Fr Mark’s availability...

In the grid below I have put the times I am available in the office; do call in.

At other times, please email, text or phone me at any time if you would like to speak

Sun	19	Mar	12:10pm	Chaplaincy	Sunday Mass
Sun	19	Mar	12:50pm	3.320	Lunch and “Brainstorming”
Sun	19	Mar	2:30pm	Chaplaincy	Rosary Novena, day 3
Mon	20	Mar	7pm	Chaplaincy	Mass
Mon	20	Mar	7:30pm	Chaplaincy	Adoration
Mon	20	Mar	8pm	Chaplaincy	Rosary Novena, day 4
Tue	21	Mar	9am	St Monica	Mass at St Monica’s, Wivenhoe*
Tue	21	Mar		Chaplaincy	Fr Mark available 11am-7pm
Tue	21	Mar	10pm-12	Chaplaincy	Night Vigil in the Chaplaincy
Tue	21	Mar	10:30pm	Chaplaincy	Rosary Novena, day 5
Wed	22	Mar	2pm		Friendship group - Contact Stephanie; sogunm@essex.ac.uk
Wed	22	Mar	6:30pm	Chaplaincy	Rosary Novena, day 6
Thu	23	Mar		Chaplaincy	No Mass today
Thu	23	Mar	6:30pm	Chaplaincy	Rosary Novena, day 7
Fri	24	Mar	9am	St Monica	NO Mass today at St Monica’s
Fri	24	Mar	2:30pm	Chaplaincy	Legion of Mary meeting
Fri	24	Mar	6-6:30pm	Chaplaincy	Confession with screen for anonymity
Fri	24	Mar	6:30pm	Chaplaincy	Rosary Novena, day 8
Fri	24	Mar	7pm	Chaplaincy	Mass
Fri	24	Mar	7:30pm	Chaplaincy	Stations of the Cross
Fri	24	Mar	8pm	3.320	Film night – Spirited Away
Fri	24	Mar		Chaplaincy	Fr Mark available after Mass
Sat	25	Mar	9am	St Monica	Mass at St Monica’s, Wivenhoe*
Sat	25	Mar	2:30pm	Chaplaincy	Rosary Novena, day 9

\*There is Mass at 9am at St Monica’s Church in Wivenhoe on Tuesday (not this week), Friday and Saturday. The address of St Monica’s is: De Vere Lane, Wivenhoe, CO7 9AU. It is near the Co-op. in Wivenhoe and is about 2 miles (or one Rosary) walk from Sq3.