

**Times of Holy Mass and Confessions
at St Sabina's, Brightlingsea & St Monica's, Wivenhoe**

Morning Prayer is said before Mass, Monday - Saturday, at 8:40 am

Saturday 30 July	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR St Sabina: 6 pm	Kathleen McVey
Sunday 31 July	St Monica: 10 am University: 12:10 pm	Eileen Hennessy RIP Pro Populo
Monday 1 August	St Alphonsus Liguori St Sabina: 9 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Tuesday 2 August	St Monica: 9 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Thursday 4 August	St John Mary Vianney St Sabina: 9 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Friday 5 August	St Monica: 9 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Saturday 6 August	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD St Monica: 9 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>

**Confessions with
Exposition**

No confessions

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
St Sabina: 6 pm Kevin Fitzgerald RIP

Sunday
7 August St Monica: 10 am Celie Kennedy RIP
University: 12.10 pm Pro Populo

Prayer Group & Rosary

St Sabina Prayer group on Wednesday at 2 pm
St Monica Evening Prayer on Tuesday at 7 pm
Rosary after Mass on Friday

Parish of St Sabina, Brightlingsea & St Monica, Wivenhoe

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A) - 31 JULY 2011

Day for Life

Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer

Day for life—the day in the Church's year dedicated to celebrating the dignity of life from conception to natural death—will this year focus on what it means to live a full and happy life. It takes as its starting point the words of Pope Benedict during his recent visit to Britain, when he said: 'Happiness is something we all want, but one of the great tragedies in this world is that so many people never find it, because they look for it in the wrong places. The key to it is very simple—true happiness is to be found in God. We need to have the courage to place our deepest hopes in God alone, not in money, in a career, in worldly success, or in our relationships with others, but in God. Only he can satisfy the deepest needs of our hearts.'

Response: You open wide your hand, O Lord, you grant our desires.

Next Sunday's Readings: Kings 19:9. 11-13; Romans 9:1-5;
Matthew 14:22-33

Thank you to all the families who supported the Parish Family Picnic last Sunday. In particular we are grateful to the Wivenhoe Montessori, where we took shelter between the showers. Despite the rain, fun was had by all.

Confirmation: The Confirmation Mass for next year will be on Sunday 27 May, 2012. If you would like to know more about being confirmed and are 15 years or over by this date, please see Fr Paul.

First Holy Communion: Would you like your child to make their First Holy Communion? The course will start in January and the Mass will be on 3 June. Please see Fr Paul, if your child is in school year three or over.

Journey in Faith: If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, please make contact with Fr Paul. The day to meet will probably be on Mondays, during school term time.

Book Sale: Would you be able to help with the book stall after Mass at St Monica's on the 14 August? Proceeds to general parish funds. Please see Richard Cronin.

Decorating Party: The inside of St Monica's is in need of decorating. Can you spare some time to help? Work will begin after Mass on Sunday 14 August through to Monday afternoon (15 August). There is a list at the back of church for you to sign your name should you be able to give some time to help. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

August Garden Party: On Saturday 27 August you are invited to the garden of Mr & Mrs Spurling at 12 Pertwee Close, Brightlingsea to join them for a Cream Tea and sandwiches. They have kindly offered to host this event to raise funds for the parish, tickets are £5 each. If you would like to go please sign the list at the back of church.

St Sabina's Drinks: There will be wine after Mass at St Sabina's this Saturday. If anyone would like to bring a bottle of wine, it would be most gratefully received.

Cloyne Report: Following the Cloyne report and the comments by the Taoiseach in the Dail, please find a link on the homepage of our website to the Vatican's response.

Sunday Collection: Gift Aid – £30 Loose – £282.84 Total – £312.84 Thank you.

Mass on the Beach: Colchester Deanery Youthspace are organising Mass on the beach, which will again be held in Dovercourt on Sunday 4 September at 2.30 pm. All young people in the Colchester Deanery are warmly invited to come together for a Mass, followed by food and social. Any musicians who would like to join in for Mass, please feel free to bring along your instruments. Our parish will be taking up the offertory, would you like to help? Location and car parking is at West End Lane.

Churches Together in Wivenhoe: The annual quiet day will be held at Elmstead church on Saturday 13 August from 10.30 am to 3.30 pm (coffee from 10 am). All are welcome. Please sign the list at the back of the church if you would like to come. Lifts will be available if required. Drinks will be provided but a packed lunch should be brought. There will be a collection to cover expenses.

St Mary's Church, Wivenhoe invites you to its annual Pilgrimage Walk to St Peter's Alresford on Sunday 21 August. We will be leaving from the Wivenhoe Sailing Club at 5 pm. There will be snacks and drinks at St Peter's, Alresford at 6 pm, followed by a candlelit service. We will return to Wivenhoe by 8 pm. The event has been organised in cooperation with St Andrew's Church, Alresford and Churches Together in Wivenhoe. For more information please ring 822511.

'Simply Catholic' Conference: A Former Protestant Evangelist and now World Renowned Catholic Convert and Apologist Steve Ray is visiting the UK and will be speaking at a Day Conference at Westminster Cathedral Hall on Saturday 13 August from 9.30 am—5.30 pm. Steve will tell the story of his conversion and share his eloquent and lively presentation of the beauty of the Catholic Faith. Tickets £10 in advance or £15 on the door. Contact Family of Faith Tel: 020 3286 7989 e-mail: familyoffaithuk@gmail.com. For details see their website: www.familyoffaithuk.wordpress.com.

Domestic Abuse Awareness Day: St Augustine of Canterbury, Springfield Chelmsford, 9.30 am to 1.00 pm on Saturday 17 September. A day to learn more about Domestic Abuse and the resources available to help everyone affected by it.

Please pray for the following sick: Kathy Baker, Rosemary Bell, Barbara Brittain, Andree Bruce, Brian Coates, Paula Collins, Sabrina Fry, Carol Furness, Christine Giles, Arthur Hammond, Fr John King, Katherine Lince, Roisin Mannix, Alex Pace, Amanda Perreau-Saussine, Monica Pierce, Mel Scammell, Maura Stone, Marie Taylor, Hugh Teegham, Amanda Clarke Titchener, Ken Wonfor.