

## A warm welcome to

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS

ROCHFORD & ST PIUS X HOCKLEY

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**Year A** Readings for Sunday 5 of Lent. Psalm Response:  
**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

A very warm welcome to you all. This weekend is the Fifth Sunday of Lent. The readings are again from Year A, since we have candidates for the Easter Sacraments: Tony, Jenna and Steve. Please keep them in your prayers as they approach the Great Week. Today's Gospel tells the story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. Mary and Martha both know Jesus well: their brother Lazarus is a friend of Jesus. They both struggle to accept that Jesus is not only a great healer, but also the Christ, and as the Son of God he has power over all things; even death itself. Let us pray that we may trust more fully in the overwhelming power of the Lord.

### What's On

This weekend there will be an opportunity to see and buy artwork made by Christians in Bethelhem. Normally they would sell their work to tourists and pilgrims, but

because of the troubles in Israel at the moment, they are having a very difficult time of it.

Sunday 29th after 10.30 Mass: **First Holy Communion** Children meet in the Parish Centre, Parents meet in Church.

FR JOHN GLYNN & AQUILA IN CONCERT AT UPMINSTER SUNDAY 29TH MARCH Aquila Music Trust & St Joseph's RC Church, by arrangement with Fr John Taylor, present John Glynn & Aquila's Let Me be your home Tour 2009, supported by the Brentwood Commission for Evangelisation and Formation. The concert will feature psalms and songs of hope and trust from the new CD plus favourites from Open The Door and May the Lord Bless You, including the world famous I Watch the Sunrise. Admission is free. There will be an interval collection. Concert starts at 7.30pm in St Joseph's Church, Champion Road, Upminster RM14 2SY.

**GALS (Girls & Ladies)** As the first Monday in April falls in the Easter Holidays the next meeting of GALS will be on Monday, 30th March. Alain Fern from the Parish has kindly "volunteered" to show us how to make Canapés and Cocktails (alcoholic and

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat	28	5.30pm	Fifth Sunday Of Lent	The People of the Parish	
Sun	29	9.00am At S Pius X		Jimmy McGill RIP	JL
		10.30am		Billy & Tommy Savage RIP	OR
Mon	30	No Mass Today			
Tues	31	10.00am At S Pius X	Benediction		
		7.30pm			
Weds	1	8.00pm	Mass by Candlelight		
Thurs	2	9.30 at St Teresa's	Stations of the Cross led by our School Children		
		10.00am At S Pius X		Intentions of Mary Rolt	
Fri	3	9.20am			
Sat	4	9.30am		The People of the Parish	
		5.30pm			
Sun	5	9.00am At S Pius X	Palm Sunday	Noel Morrissey RIP	JR
		10.30am			

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick: Chris Bowler, Christopher via Carter, Linda Rowland, Sarah Carr, Nellie Reilly, Donna Richardson, Flint, Marilyn Friend, Cyril Hall, Marzita Killick, Ross Giza, David Ward, jorie Jay, Cassie Thompson, Ciaran Madeleine Edery, Oliver Kelly, Lucy Freel, Liam O'Conner, Angele DeCan, Fuller, Laura Munden, Harry Clark, Ann Francis, Paul Clarke, Maria McTerry & Marie Barrett, Vicki Fage, Fairbairn, Ken Cropley, Dee Fage, Daphne Lamb, Jackie Gravestock, Fr Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Tony William Newton, Drummond & callef, Maud Livett, and all who are Helen Clapp, Chris Sheehan, Jim Bourne, Shirley Kennenson, Siobhan Taylor, Gareth Lewis, Mark Reilly, The Departed: Ashely Gooding, Bartly Igoe, Sam Robinson, Dexter Eleanor McGrath, recently departed, Govia, Amanda Walsh, Michael King, William Savage, and all whose years' Elizabeth Reilly, Johanna Packer, Syl- mind fall this week.



BENEDICTION  
TUESDAYS IN LENT  
AT ST PIUS X  
10.00 - 11.00 AM

### PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, send out your light  
and your truth.

Open our eyes to the opportunities  
you give us;

Open our ears to hear your call;

Open our hearts to your love,

That we may serve you

And bring others to your light

Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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Offering  
Total 

1st Collection for 1st March was  
£1132.77 Our parish costs approximately  
£1620 each week to run. So far we have  
had donations of £130 towards the  
sound system for Hockley. Thank you all  
for your continued generosity.

non alcoholic). We can all have a taste and  
try to make some cocktails too. Raffle pro-  
ceeds to go towards a new sound system at  
St. Pius X. Meet at 7.30 p.m., St. Teresa's  
Parish Centre. Maureen 01702 201688

**The Legion of Mary** meets each Monday at  
5.30 pm in the Parish Centre - new mem-  
bers always welcome.

**Benediction** at St Pius X, Hockley 10.00am

**Baby & Toddler Group** meets on Wednes-  
day 10am to 12pm: in the Parish Centre;  
everyone very welcome.

Wednesday 8.00pm **RCIA** meeting in St  
Teresa's Church. Everyone welcome as we  
explore the Liturgy for Holy Week. Why not  
come and learn more about it yourself!

Thursday 9.30am **Stations of the Cross** in St  
Teresa's Church led by the children for our  
School. Please come and join in this act of  
worship.

Thursday 12.40 at Southend Crematorium.  
The funeral of Ashley Gooding. Please re-  
member her and her family in your prayers

**STRANDS - Youth Club - Now on Fri-  
days! Friday 27th March - Strands  
now meets on Friday - 7.00 to 9.00  
in the church hall.**

Friday 7.30pm **Stations of the Cross** at St  
Teresa's. Come and walk in the footsteps of  
Jesus and pray for yourself and for the world.

Saturday 4th April 10.30am **Confessions** at  
St Pius X Hockley.

### PARISH NEWS

Triumph & Passion: a Lent Retreat for Young  
People at Walsingham House. Come and

join other young people from around the  
diocese for a Lent Retreat where we will  
explore together what it means to be pas-  
sionate and the Passion of Jesus. Time for  
fun, good food, prayer and to join with the  
Brentwood All-Night Vigil. Only £35, 3-5  
April for info and a booking form see our  
web site: [www.walsinghamhouse.org](http://www.walsinghamhouse.org) or  
email [sarah@walsinghamhouse.org](mailto:sarah@walsinghamhouse.org)

There will be a special Easter edition of  
**News from the Pews** available in April. If  
you have any contributions could you let  
Tracey have them by Sunday 29th March  
please. Email: [tracey@greengages.com](mailto:tracey@greengages.com),  
post: Greengages, Mount Bovers Lane,  
Hawkwell SS5 4JE or pop them in the box in  
the church porch. Many thanks!

**We are now collecting ink and toner car-  
tridges for recycling**, so don't forget to  
bring them along and help us raise a few  
pounds in the process!

**The sound system at St Pius X** We already  
have £70 towards the cost of £500 to re-  
place it with a modern and more appropri-  
ate system. Donations or fund raising  
events for this project would be very much  
appreciated.

**Pottery Classes** at St Bernard's High School  
and Arts College: Tuesday Evenings 8-  
Week course - 21 April to 16 June (there will be no  
class on 26 May due to Half Term) 7.00pm -  
9.00pm Cost: £50 Please contact Kim Zim-  
mer on 01702 343 583 - Ext: 237 for an  
application form.

**OASIS OF PEACE (MARIAN) DAY:** Forget  
your troubles and rest in the Lord on Satur-  
day May 2nd 2009 at the Church of the  
Immaculate Conception, 11, Church Hill, Ep-  
ping, Essex, CM16 4RA, from 10.30 a.m. to  
4 p.m. Includes Mass, Adoration and Rosary.  
Bring packed lunch - drinks provided.