

# THE PARISH OF ST TERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS, ROCHFORD & ST PIUS X HOCKLEY

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## TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Dear Friends in Christ,*

Our Lady of Walsingham Saturday September 24

It is hard to imagine that by the 16th Century, the village of Little Walsingham in Norfolk was, after Rome, the greatest place of pilgrimage in the western Christian world. In 1061 the Lady Richeldis was given a vision of our Lady. In this vision she was taken by Mary to be shown the house in Nazareth where Gabriel had announced the news of the birth of Jesus. Mary asked Richeldis to build an exact replica of that house in Walsingham. This is how Walsingham became known as England's Nazareth.

Sadly the reformation saw the destruction of the shrine and the monastery in 1538, but interest was revived and in 1897, there was a Roman Catholic pilgrimage to the restored 14th century Slipper Chapel, now at the centre of the Roman Catholic National Shrine. Shortly afterwards a renewed interest in the role of Our Lady in the Church of England saw the establishment of the Anglican Shrine under Fr Hope Patten. The newly erected Ordinariate takes the name of Our Lady of Walsingham in recognition of the role of Our Lady's prayers in bringing English Christians back to Mother Church. And in the pious hope that one day England will again be called 'Our Lady's Dowry'

*With every blessing*

*Fr Gerry*



**First Holy Communion** will begin again for children in Year 3 and above on September 18th after the 10.30 Mass. If you have a child who

would like to make their First Holy Communion, please ask for a letter and application form as you leave Mass, or contact Father Gerry for further details.



**The Legion of Mary:** working and praying for the Kingdom of God in our Parish. All welcome to the 5.30pm meeting on Mondays in the Parish Centre.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the New Translation of the Mass** next session Tuesday at 7.30pm in St Teresa's.



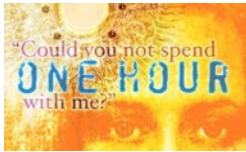
Refreshments provided. If you are not yet in

full communion with the Church and are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please drop Father Gerry a line (contact details in this bulletin), or just come to the meetings!



**Roche Art Group** will be holding a 2 hour art demonstration by James Merriott (watercolourist) on Wednesday 21st September at St Teresa's hall. 7.15pm for 7.30pm. Tickets are

£5 to include refreshments but PLACES ARE LIMITED, so please therefore reserve your seat by telephoning Gill on 01702 421737.



**Holy Hour with Tea and Biscuits. From 2.00 to 3.15 at St Teresa's Church every Thursday.** A

great opportunity for parents of school children to drop in for a chat and spend a few minutes in prayer as they wait for their children to come out of school. Father Gerry will of course be there as well.



**Celebrating Marriage and the Family.**

You are invited to Brentwood Cathedral on

September 24<sup>th</sup> to join us for Mass with Bishop Thomas presiding, to celebrate the vocation of marriage and the joy of family life. To book your place please call Elisabeth Abbott on 01277 265290 or email [Familylife@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:Familylife@dioceseofbrentwood.org).



**TRIP TO WALSHINGHAM**

**Saturday 24th September**

for the concluding Mass of the celebrations for the 950th anniversary of the founding of the shrine. During this Mass Sr Gabriela, a member of the community that runs the Diocesan

House of Prayer, will take her final vows. You are welcome to join us on this special occasion. Coach leaving Brentwood 9am and returning 6pm. Optional donation on the day. For further details visit events page of [www.abbotswick.org](http://www.abbotswick.org) or call Sr Camilla 01277 373959 to book a place.



**The Parish confirmation course starts after 10.30 Mass on Sunday 25th September.**

Those who have applied will shortly receive a letter about it. If

you are in Year ten (this Sept) and above and would like to make this important step of faith, write to Fr. Gerry letting him know why you would like to make your Confirmation and providing your address, date of birth, email and mobile/home phone number. Please also send a copy of your baptismal certificate with the letter, if you were not baptised at St. Teresa's.

**Praise & Worship Evening at SION**

**Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood,** will take place this month on Sunday, 25th September, 7.30 to 9.00pm. Everyone welcome.

The Parish of St Teresa of  
The Child Jesus, Rochford

& St Pius X Hockley



## Cuppa & Comfort

### Bereavement Care Group

The group aims to give a place and time for friendship, support and encouragement to anyone experiencing loss or bereavement.

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 3.30pm in St Teresa's church porch. Please come and join us for a cuppa, cake and comfort. The church is open for quiet prayer or contemplation. One-to-one support is also available.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4

If you would like further information call:

Father Gerry	07939 418 283
Pat Doman	07930 753 342
Ann Marie King	01702 200784
Peddy Lester	01702 203773

Table Sale – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October at Sacred Heart Church Hall (418 Southchurch Road, Southend-on-Sea, SS1 2QB). Tables are £5.00 each (payable in advance). From 10.00am to 12noon with stall holders arriving at 9.00am. Entry will be 20p and refreshments will be on sale. To book a table please ring Janet on 01702 291032.

**Supporting Lay Ministry** A day of reflection will be held on **Saturday 15th October 2011** at St Peter's Parish Centre (Eastwood) from 10.00am-4.00pm for all those involved in lay ministry eg. readers, musicians, catechists etc. The day will be led by members of the Diocesan Spirituality team. All are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch. For further

details contact: Sr Nuala Gannon 01277 265219 Jim & Fran McEvoy jimncevoy@live.com

## Notices



The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable Adults is Mr Richard Grimes. Tel:

07799 677600.



**Hospital Visits At Southend Hospital** Fr Gerry has been appointed as Chaplain to

Southend Hospital. There are regular arrangements for visits by the Catholic chaplain and for Holy Communion on Sunday, however you *must* let the nursing staff know you would like a visit. In emergencies, a Catholic priest can be called by hospital staff.



ARE YOU  
FUN,  
FRIENDLY,  
FULL OF  
GOOD IDEAS  
AND  
COMMITTED  
TO YOUR

PARISH??

If so, we need you!! We are setting up a committee to organise social events and 'Gets Together' for our parish. As a church

we meet together at Mass and that's great! However, as a family we also need to meet together in a social context; in order to form strong friendships and provide support for those who are lonely or in need. If you are interested in joining the **Social Committee**, call or text Tracey on 202267 / 07513149541 or email me: [tracey@greengages.com](mailto:tracey@greengages.com).



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for your intentions, write your name and the intention on a piece of paper, and put it in an envelope together with your offering if you like, there are special brown envelopes at the back of church for this purpose. Pope Paul VI wrote in the *Motu Proprio Firma in Traditione* that "the faithful, desiring in a religious and ecclesial spirit to participate more intimately in the Eucharistic sacrifice, add to it a form of sacrifice of their own by which they contribute in a particular way to the needs of the Church and especially to the sustenance of her ministers." Just as we make an offering when we light a candle and, even more so we do the same with the offering of Mass intentions. Our offering to the priest is joined with the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross in the Mass.

McDonald on 01702 343823 or by email to [a.mcdonald@st-helens.southend.sch.uk](mailto:a.mcdonald@st-helens.southend.sch.uk). Closing date for applications-26 September 2011.

**Headteacher Vacancy:** St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Harwich is currently advertising for a new Headteacher. For information and application forms phone 01245 436247 or email [headships@essex.gov.uk](mailto:headships@essex.gov.uk) Closing date for receipt of applications is 26th September 2011.

**VACANCY: PRINCIPAL - ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE COLCHESTER**

The Governors of this popular and successful Catholic College are looking to appoint a dynamic and visionary Principal to lead this potentially outstanding College as it faces the challenges ahead. For informal enquiries, to obtain an application pack or to arrange a visit to the college, please contact: Mrs Mary Moriarty on 01206 514910 / [moriarty.benedicts@gmail.com](mailto:moriarty.benedicts@gmail.com). The closing date for completed applications is Thursday 29th September 2011.

**St. Helen's Catholic Primary School, Westcliff on Sea** – the Governors are seeking to appoint a

Deputy Headteacher for our Group 2 school from January 2012. For further details or to arrange a visit please contact Anne



1ST COLLECTION FOR 11TH SEPT WAS £1085.91  
AFTER EXPENSES THE CASINO NIGHT RAISED £41.50  
THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY. OUR PARISH COSTS ABOUT £1620 PER WEEK TO KEEP GOING.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

*SUNDAY:* The Sick: Craig Perryman, Sid Williamson, Emily Rose Gough, Elizabeth McManamon, Jeanette Oatley, Ruby Evans, John Colvill, The recently departed: Audrey Dear, Maud Livett, Yvette Grimes. The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

*MONDAY:* The Sick: Christopher Carr, Sarah Knight. Fr John King, Audrey Northfield, Siobhan Taylor, Terry Alexander, Alex Brennan, Joanne Lloyd, Mary Stacey, David Squires, Ellie-Mae Robinson. The Departed: Eleanor Spiers and Luke Kavanagh. Those who live in Canewdon Road, Fleethall Road, and Hill Lane.

*TUESDAY:* The Sick: Edward Cunado, Bridie Mullany, Betty Allen, Dee Fage, Vicky Fage, Joseph Merceica, Lisa Hughes, Constance Longman. Those who worship in the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham, and Fr Jeff Woolnough and Fr Bob White their priests.

*WEDNESDAY:* The Sick: Delia Cheek, William McArthur, Collette Hague, Margaret

Hennessy, Sarah Fisher, Paul Davis, Ciaran Freel, Angele De Can, Marjorie Jay, Cassie Thompson, Michael King, Paul Clarke, Ken Cropley, Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Mark Reilly. The Queen and her ministers, that the may govern us wisely.

*THURSDAY:* The Sick: Gail Airey, Antoinette Cane, John Quinn, Joyce Hall, Len Smith, Mary Plews, Dexter Jackson, James Robinson, Sianne Robinson, Claire Dean, Samantha Robinson. The Departed: Ernie Greenburgh, Nial McNamee. Those selecting the new bishop, for the needs of the diocese a wise appointment to the See of Brentwood.

*FRIDAY:* The Departed: Ernie Greenburgh, Niall McNamee, George Hanagan, Anny Kuchly, James McKinney, Eileen Smith, Ronnie Lee. The Holy Souls who have none to pray for them. The Pope's intentions.

*SATURDAY:* The Sick: Alan Gunn, Aaron Hobbs (wounded in combat), Tony Micallef, Ross Giza, Oliver Kelly, Lucy Fuller, Drummond & Helen Clapp, Chris Sheehan, Jim Bourne, Shirley Kennenson, Gareth Lewis, Bartly Igoe, Dexter Govia. Ourselves and our own needs.



## The Faith Store

3, Roche Close, Rochford (opposite the Co op)  
OPEN MONDAY - SATURDAY  
10 til 4

Our parish shop is run entirely by volunteers and 100% profit made goes straight to the church for much needed funding. We always welcome your donations of clothes, toys, books, CDs, DVDs, bric-a-brac etc.

Donation pick up is available ~ call Tracey on 202267  
Many thanks for your continued support

## *The 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.*



### *MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS*

Confessions: Saturdays 10.30-11am St Pius X, 5.00-5.30pm St Teresa's or by appointment

Sat	17	5.30pm		Ints Diane & Denis Tilbrook	DD T
Sun	18	9.00am St Pius X	Twentyfifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ints Molly McIntyre	ES
		10.30am St Pius X		Ordinate Mass	
		10.30am		In Thanksgiving for the wonderful support of the People of the Parish shown to the van de Vyver family	FBS vdV
Mon	19	7.30pm		Alan Grant RIP	MG
Tues	20	9.20am	S Andrew Kim Taegon, priest & S Paul Chong Hasang & Companions, Martyrs		
Weds	21	9.20am	S Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist		
Thurs	22	10.00am at St Pius X			
Fri	23	9.30am St Pius X	S Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest, religious	Ordinate Rosary & Mass	
Sat	24	9.30am	Our Lady of Walsingham		
		5.30pm		The people of the Parish	
Sun	25	9.00am St Pius X	Twentysixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Harvest		
		10.30am St Pius X		Ordinate Mass	
		10.30am			