

A warm welcome to

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS

ROCHFORD & ST PIUS X HOCKLEY

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A very warm welcome to you all on the Solemnity of the Passion of the Lord, otherwise known as Palm Sunday. Today we celebrate the triumphal entry of The Lord Jesus into Jerusalem to begin his Passion, Death and Resurrection. The crowds who welcome him with such joy today are the very same people who, just five days later, will be baying for his blood. We pray for courage and constancy in the face of the assaults to our faith that the world presents us with today.

What's On

The Sacrament of Reconciliation. Fr Gerry will be available before and after all services in Holy Week to hear confessions. Make use of this wonderful Sacrament of God's forgiveness. You know it makes sense!

Monday 8.00pm Ecumenical Stations of the Cross. Christians throughout Rochford and Hockley will be joining us for the Stations of the Cross, and joining us for refreshments afterwards. Please make every

effort to come along both for your own benefit, and also so that we are well represented.

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

Baby & Toddler Group recommences at the beginning of the Summer Term on Wednesdays after the 9.20am Mass

RCIA recommences on Wednesday 22nd April. Everyone is very welcome.

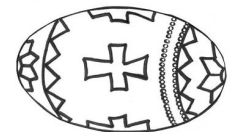
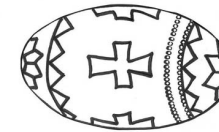
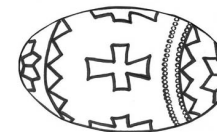
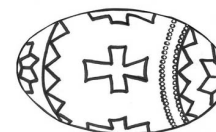
Also beginning on 21st. Tuesdays at 1.30pm **RCIA in the Afternoon.**

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 Zimmer on 01702 343 583 - Ext: 237 for an application form.

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

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat	4	5.30pm	Palm	The People of the Parish	
Sun	5	9.00am At S Pius X	Passion	Noel Morrissey RIP	JR
		10.30am	Sunday		
Mon	6	8.00pm	Ecumenical Stations of the Cross		
Tues	7	7.30pm	Temple Tuesday	Royce Trinder RIP	JT
Weds	8	7.00pm at Brentwood Cathedral	Spy Wednesday	the Chrism Mass	
Thurs	9	8.00pm at St Teresa's	Mass of the Lord's Supper & Watch until midnight.	Douglas Gullick RIP	M G
Fri	10	9.30am at St Teresa's	Morning Prayer		
		10.00am at St Teresa's	Stations of the Cross for Children		
		3.00pm at St Teresa's	The Liturgy of the Passion		
Sat	11	10.00am at St Teresa's	Morning Prayer and the return of the Creed		
		8.30pm at St Teresa's	The Easter Vigil	The People of the Parish	
Sun	12	9.00am At S Pius X	Easter Day	Josephine Micallef RIP	AM
		10.30am	The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ	Harry Price RIP	VP
Mon	13	No Mass Today	Easter Week		
Tues	14	7.30pm	Easter Week	Eucharistic Service	
Weds	15	No Mass Today	Easter Week		
Thurs	16	10.00am At S Pius X	Easter Week	Deceased family and friends of Josephine and Anthony Micallef	AM
Fri	17	No Mass Today	Easter Week		
Sat	18	No Mass This Morning	Easter Week		
		5.30pm	The Second	The People of the Parish	
Sun	19	9.00am At S Pius X	Sunday of		
		10.30am	Easter		



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.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick: Antoinette Cane, Chris Bowler, Marjorie Jay, Cassie Thompson, Ciaran Christopher Carr, Sarah Knight, Zita Killick, Freil, Angele DeCan, Ann Francis, Paul Ross Giza, David Ward, Oliver Kelly, Lucy Clarke, Maria McFairbairn, Ken Cropley, Fuller, Laura Munden, Harry Clark, Terry & Dee Fage, Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Tony Marie Barrett, Vicki Fage, Daphne Lamb, Micallef, Maud Livett, and all who are sick. Jackie Gravestock, Fr William Newton, Drummond & Helen Clapp, Chris Sheehan, Jim Bourne, Shirley Kennenson, Siobhan Taylor, Gareth Lewis, Mark Reilly, Bartly Igoe, Sam Robinson, Dexter Govia, Amanda Walsh, Michael King, Elizabeth Reilly, Johanna Packer, Sylvia Carter, Linda Rowland, Sarah Flint, Marylin Friend, Cyril Hall, The Departed: Nellie Reilly, Peter Cracknell, Ashely Gooding, recently departed, William Savage, Royce Trinder, Sydney King, Nicholas Hartigan, Mary Caunt, William Bailham, Henry Cooney, and all whose years' mind fall this week.

Please don't forget

a week extra

Offering
Total 

1st Collection for 1st March was £971.92
Our parish costs approximately £1620 each week to run. So far we have had donations of £195 towards the sound system for Hockley. Thank you all for your continued generosity.

Do you want to challenge yourself and at the same time raise funds for CAFOD? Why not try something different and take part in the 110ft Sponsored Abseil down the Harlow Water Tower on Saturday 2nd May. The Abseil is organised by the Harlow Tye Rotary Club. Last few places remaining. For further details and registration form contact CAFOD Brentwood - email brentwood@cafod.org.uk or phone 020 8502 9722

PARISH NEWS

Michael Martin

Our warmest congratulations to Michael Martin who has very recently been made Captain of the Queens Guard. It is a great honour and we are very proud of him.

G.A.Ls. (Girls & Ladies) Thank you to Alain and Alexis for a very enjoyable and informative evening last Monday. The girls worked very hard and we tried some great cocktails and delicious canapés. The raffle raised £65 towards a new sound system at Hockley.. The next meeting will take place on Monday, 11th May in St. Teresa's Parish Centre, Rochford.

ST. TERESA'S & ST. PIUS CHARITY SHOP A number of people in the parish share a vision about opening up a charity shop in Rochford; both to ease our financial burden and as an outreach within our community. We are currently in the process of seeking permission from the Diocese. It would run on a voluntary basis so if you have a couple of hours a week or fortnight that you could spare or would like to find out more, please call Tracey on 202267. There is also more info in the Easter News from the Pews.

Hockley Area Action Plan. You may already be aware that the District Council is working on an Action Plan for Hockley Town Centre.

All six proposals appear to propose using the garden area at the side of St Pius X Church as a walk-through between Main Road and Spa Road. At the moment the Council are taking comments regarding the plans, which are available both on the District Council web site and elsewhere. Fr Gerry would be very interested in comments from parishioners. If any of these plans ever see the light of day, this could present us with an opportunity for providing facilities for the town and raising the Parish profile at the same time. So far no approach has been made to the Parish regarding the possibility of purchase or use of this land. Watch this space.

His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI has today appointed the Most Reverend Vincent Nichols, who has been Archbishop of Birmingham since March 2000, as the next Archbishop of Westminster. Pope Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation of Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor as Archbishop of Westminster. The Cardinal will now become the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Westminster until Archbishop Nichols is installed at Westminster Cathedral on Thursday, 21 May 2009. Until then, Archbishop Nichols will remain in Birmingham.

Jobs

Holy Cross Catholic Primary School Daiglen Drive, South Ockendon, Essex RM15 5RP
Tel: 01708 853000 Headteacher required
Sept '09 Group 3 School ISR L18 - L24 Governors wish to appoint an enthusiastic practising catholic to lead, motivate and inspire our school community. For details please contact Mrs P Morris at the school office.
Closing date 22 April'09