

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

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Many of our prayers are prayers of petition, and people seem to think that petition is the lowest level of prayer; then comes gratitude, then praise. But in fact it is gratitude and praise that are expressions of a lower relationship. On our level of half-belief it is easier to sing hymns of praise or to thank God than to trust him enough to ask something with faith. Even people who believe half-heartedly can turn to thank God when something nice comes their way; and there are moments of elation when everyone can sing to God. But it is much more difficult to have such undivided faith as to ask with one's whole heart and whole mind with complete confidence. No one should look askance at petition, because the ability to say prayers of petition is a test of the reality of our faith. (Anthony Bloom, *The Essence of Prayer*)

With very blessing

Fr Gerry



We Welcome our Uniformed organisations to our 10.30 Mass today. Do join them for Coffee in the Parish Centre afterwards.



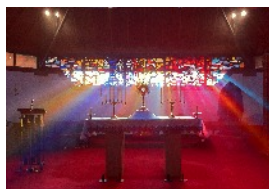
Baby & Toddler Group meets Wednesdays in Term-time in the Parish Centre after a SHORT Mass at 9.20am.

Everyone is most welcome.



The Legion of Mary:

working and praying for the Kingdom of God in our Parish. All welcome to the 5.00pm meeting on Mondays in the St Teresa's Church Narthex.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in church, with refreshments in the Narthex (at the back of

church). Thursdays in term time 2.00-3.15 . Come and pray, come and have a cup of tea!

Healing Mass - Fr Eamonn Power will be celebrating a Healing Mass at Abbotswick House of Prayer on Wednesday 25th April at 2.30pm. All welcome. For further details visit the events page of www.abbotswick.org or call 01277 373959.



OASIS OF PEACE MARIAN PRAYER

DAY: On Saturday April 28th 2012 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, 11, Church Hill, Epping,

Essex, CM16 4RA, from 10.30 a.m. (with coffee) to 4 p.m. Led by Rev. Father Brian McGrath, OFM. Includes Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confession, Talks, testimonies and discussion. Please bring packed lunch – drinks provided

7.30pm tickets are £8.00 each including fish n chip supper. We are also selling horses at £2.00 ea in aid of this years trip to Lourdes with Across please support us if you can Dianne n Terry Alexander on 01702 535751

MAY 2012 LECTURES

BRES/CSJR Lecture: 3rd May 7.30pm **TOPIC:** 'Trafficking Women'. **SPEAKER:** Sr Lynda Dearlove RSM, MBE [Director of Women @ The Well]

BRES Spirituality Evening: 10th May 7.30pm **TOPIC:** The Eucharist at the Heart of Home and School and Parish. **SPEAKER:** Fr Martin Boland MA,STL [Dean of Brentwood Cathedral].

Both lectures to take place at the Conference Centre, Brentwood - cost £5. Contact BRES on 01277 265285 or email: marycronin@dioceseofbrentwood.org .



Boot Sale on Saturday 28 April 2012 from 10 am - 1 pm St. Teresa's Primary School: Cars

£6, Small Vans £8, Large Vans £10, Gates open at 8.30 am for sellers. Refreshments available - Sorry no dogs please and no smoking on the premises. Admission by donation. Please call Sue Childs (FoST's) on 07598 580118 if you wish to book for the above, thank you.



The annual Edell Quinn Pilgrimage to Aylesford takes place on Saturday 12th May.

A coach leaves Eastwood at approximatey 9.15 am and Rayleigh at 9.30 am and returns around 6.00 pm. Anyone interested will be very welcome, please contact: Clare - 200353 or Gerald - 207234 for more information.

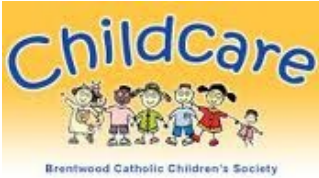


Race Night at St Thomas More Hall in Hadleigh on Sat 28th of April 7 for



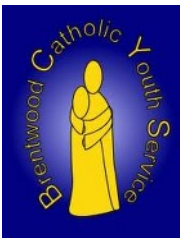
Procession in Honour of Our Lady of Fatima.

In the grounds of Nazareth House, 111 London Rd, Westcliff on sea on Sunday 13th May at 3pm, followed by Adoration in the chapel at 4pm. Finish 4.45pm. Tea & Coffee available in the hall after prayers.



BCCS – Ladies Jubilee Supper

BCCS are delighted to be hosting a ladies only Supper in celebration of the Queens Diamond Jubilee. The event is being held on Thursday 31st May, at the prestigious Crondon Park Golf & Country Club in Stock. Tickets are priced at £39.50 which includes a Drinks Reception, Dinner, tea/coffee. As the evening will be in celebration of the Queens Diamond Jubilee, it will include a host of entertaining activities. All proceeds from the event will be going to the Brentwood Catholic Children’s Society. For further information or to book your tickets please contact: Julie on 01268 784544/ 07912 277413 jabbott@bccs.org.uk



THE BCYS BIG LUNCH -

Open day at Walsingham House - Sunday 3rd June. An afternoon open to all - chilled out fun at Walsingham House for anyone who fancies an afternoon/evening in the sun (hopefully)! There will be a licenced bar, activities for all ages, an opportunity to visit Walsingham House, and have a look round if you've not been before (or if you've not been for a very long time!!). Timings on the day are:-

- Big Lunch - bring you own picnic - 1pm.
- Afternoon cream teas - 4pm.
- Hog Roast and Live music - 6pm until 10pm

Notices

DIOCESE OF BRENTWOOD

*FROM: Rt Rev MGR GORDON READ,
DIOCESAN CHANCELLOR AND JUDICIAL VICAR*

IF YOU KNOW THE WHEREABOUTS OF CHRISTINE JUNE HAMMOND, PLEASE CONTACT THE TRIBUNAL OFFICE ON 01277 265283 QUOTING THE REFERENCE NUMBER 17/12. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT I MAKE CONTACT WITH HER, IF POSSIBLE, IN ORDER TO PROTECT HER RIGHTS UNDER CANON LAW.



The Benedict Guild raises money to pay for the fabric of the St Teresa’s & St Pius X churches. Monthly Draw tickets can be had from John

and Anita Frampton. There are 12 draws per year for £25 each, and at the beginning of December special extra draws of **£100** and **£50**. Tickets are £12 each and cover the whole year: that’s £1 a month. Why not get extra tickets for friends and family? You’ve got to be in it to win it!



The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable Adults is Mr **R i c h a r d**

Grimes. Tel: 07799 677600.



Anyone who could assist with the gardening at St Pius X please contact **David Whines** on 01702 205269

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.*

this could you please contact the Director Steven Webb on 01268 784544. Thank you.



New Hall Preparatory School have vacancies for well-qualified and inspiring KS1/KS2 Class Teachers to start in September

Management allowances in Science or Art are available for suitable candidates. Closing Date: 12.00pm Monday 30 April 2012 Interview Dates: Thursday 3 and Friday 4 May 2012 Further details & an Application Form can be found on our website: www.newhallschool.co.uk Alternatively, please contact the Human Resources Department: Tel: 01245 467 588 Fax: 01245 467 188 Email: hr@newhallschool.co.uk www.newhallschool.co.uk



Vacancies for the posts of Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher at St Bede's Catholic Primary School in

Chadwell Heath, for Sept. 2012. For Job details and an application pack please contact Loren Feeley on 0208 523 6502. Completed application forms should be returned to Loren Feeley at 500 Larkshall Road, Highams Park, London E4 9HH. Loren.feeley@strictlyeducation.co.uk



YOUNG PEOPLE'S SEMINAR -2012. AN INVITATION TO YOUNG CATHOLIC PEOPLE AGED 17 TO 22 YEARS. THEME. 'WHAT AM I ASKED TO DO

WITH MY LIFE?' 10TH- 13TH JULY 2012. HINSLEY HALL LEEDS. Offered by the Knights of St Columba, Head Office: 75, Hillington Road South, Glasgow. G52 2AE. Details from Fr Gerry.

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society would appreciate some volunteers do give a couple of hours of their time every now and then to help out with basic but time consuming administrative tasks such as filling envelopes with our quarterly newsletter and up dating a database. The work would need to be done at our office in Rayleigh and if you could give some time for



We are still **collecting foreign coins** and notes, The jar for your contributions is at the back of church. **Catholic**

Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website www.catholicingles.org.uk or email info@catholicingles.org.uk

Babysitting



Father Gerry's daughter, Gemima Drummond is available for babysitting. For further information please call 07957 330489.

all of our continued prayers for you and yours. With every blessing, Fr Gerry & Family.

OFFERTORY GIVING

THE 1ST COLLECTION FOR 1ST APRIL WAS £1026.65

OUR PARISH COSTS £1620 PER WEEK TO RUN. UNFORTUNATELY THE SHORTFALL IS NOT MADE UP BY THE DIOCESE OR THE GOVERNMENT.

COLLECTION AT STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR BRENTWOOD CHILDREN'S SOCIETY WAS £109.84

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

SUNDAY: The Sick: Del Williams, Baby Leah, Fr Francis Coveney, Derek Steward, Fr Andrew Dorricott, Ellen Gander, Craig Perryman, Sid Williamson, Emily Rose Gough, Elizabeth McManamon, John Colvill, The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

MONDAY: The Sick: Ann Whines, Colin Burwell, Fr Conrad Smith, Philomma Antony, Christopher Carr, Sarah Knight, Audrey Northfield, Siobhan Taylor, Mary Stacey, David Squires, Ellie-Mae Robinson. Those who live in Branksome Avenue, Cromwell Road, Hampstead Gardens, and Selbourne Road.

TUESDAY: The Sick: Maureen Savage, Miriam Gardner, Katie Honeyands, Edward Cunado, Betty Allen, Dee Fage, Vicky Fage, Joseph Merceica, Lisa Hughes, Constance Longman. The people of Ashingdon Elim Church and Rev. David Redbond, Rev. Simon Law, Pastor Keith Maynard, Rev. Tony Tween, and Pastor Dean Courtier their ministers.

WEDNESDAY: The Sick: Ethan Adlum, Delia Cheek, William McArthur, Collette Hague,⁵

Margaret Hennessy, Sarah Fisher, 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: Terry Alexander, Joanne Lloyd, Gail Airey, John Quinn, Joyce Hall, Len Smith, Mary Plews, Dexter Jackson, James Robinson, Sianne Robinson, Claire Dean, Samantha Robinson. Those selecting the new Bishop of Brentwood.

FRIDAY: The Recently Departed; Ron Condon, John Stuttle; those whose anniversaries fall this week: Christopher Eva, Phyllis James, William O'Brien, Patrick Reilly, Michael Gormley, Peter Budgen, Charles O'Shea, Alf Maynard, Thomas Clare-Dunbavand, Jimmy Nagle, and the Holy Souls who have none to pray for them.

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

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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

Sat	21	5.30pm	Third Sunday of Easter	Douglas Gullick RIP	MG
Sun	22	9.00am St Pius X		Laurence Redmond RIP	
		10.30am St Pius X			
		10.30am		The people of the Parish	
Mon	23	7.30pm	S George, M, Patron of England	Ints Baby Leah	
Tues	24	9.20am	S Mellitus, Bishop	Fr John McCoy RIP	PA CT
Weds	25	9.20am	S Mark, Evangelist	Ints Anthony Butler	M &S S
Thurs	26	9.00am St Pius X		Ints Anne Myers	E& AS
Fri	27	9.00am St Pius X			
Sat	28	9.30am	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Ints Patricia Xerri	T& TS
		5.30pm		The People of the Parish	
Sun	29	9.00am St Pius X		Ints Thomas Rolt	MR
		10.00am St Pius X			
		10.30am		Ronald Condon RIP	R& JG

Who was Saint George?

The story of Saint George is so wrapped in myth and legend that it's difficult to extract the historical facts of a real life. Some believe he never existed or that he's a Christianised version of an older pagan myth. In the early centuries of Christianity, followers would write up fabulous accounts of the lives of their heroes. This enhanced George's reputation but left the details of his life very blurred. What we believe to be the truth is that George was born in Cappadocia, an area which is now in Turkey, in the 3rd century; that his parents were Christians; and that when his father died, George's mother returned to her native Palestine, taking George with her. George became a soldier in the Roman army and rose to the rank of Tribune. The Emperor of the day, Diocletian (245-313 AD), began a campaign against Christians at the very beginning of the 4th century. In about 303 AD George is said to have objected to this persecution and resigned his military post in protest. George tore up the Emperor's order against Christians. This infuriated Diocletian, and George was imprisoned and tortured - but he refused to deny his faith. Eventually he was dragged through the streets of Diospolis (now Lydda) in Palestine and beheaded. It's said that Diocletian's wife was so impressed by George's resilience that she became a Christian and that she too was executed for her faith.

