

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

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22ND WEEK OF THE YEAR

Those of us who fail to follow the rules, who do whatever makes us feel good, end up being held as slaves to our own feelings. Our urges, feelings, and drives hold us in unyielding bondage and slavery, slaves to our own selves. In biblical language that slavery is called hell. We end up living in hellish self-condemnation, damning ourselves mercilessly for what we could have done but did not do, for what we could have had but now do not have.

Many people these days are fond of saying that Jesus accepted everyone and tolerated everything they did. That is simply not true. God's laws are His gifts to us. They protect us from ourselves. They give us freedom and lead us to what we dream we want to be, and for what Jesus Christ died for us to have. God's laws enshrine values, shape our hearts, overrule our tyrannical urges, and lead us into the glorious freedom of the sons and daughters of God.

May God's love, peace, and freedom be yours in order that you may find happiness in this life and forever in the next.

With every blessing for the coming week

Fr Gerry



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.

**GALs meet again on MONDAY 3RD
SEPT. 7.30 - 9.30pm**

at St Teresa's Parish Centre

for an evening of 'Fun & Games'

£5 annual membership due + £1 ~

£2 non-members per meeting

All ladies most welcome, Please bring along a baby/toddler photo of yourself in an envelope for one of the games!

Ring Elaine 257287 or Tracey 202267 for more details.



INVITATION ESPECIALLY FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND TEENAGERS

Theresa Weight's First Profession as a Religious Sister will

take place on Sunday 23rd September, 11.30am Mass, Brentwood Cathedral. Come along for the Mass and then join us for refreshments in the parish hall. If you'll be coming, please send us a quick email or Facebook message so we can make sure we have enough seats! info@abbotswick.org www.facebook.com/TheCOLW



You will be sorry to hear that Peter Henaghan died in a swimming accident at Westcliff. Please pray for Ann, Lisa and all the family at this sad time. Peter's funeral Mass will be at St Teresa's Church on

Tuesday 4th September at 10.00am.



All staff in our Catholic Schools have been invited to a Deanery Mass at St Bernard's High School, Milton Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, at 4.00 pm for 4.15 pm on Monday 10th September 2010, followed by

refreshments. If you are working in a non-Catholic School, we would love you to join us. You would be very welcome.



Parish retreat to Abbotswick, nr Ongar, to mark the start of the Year of Faith. Saturday

29th September 2012; £12 per

person There are only two places left. **Contact Christine Challis (Tel: 07525 248298) or email christinel.challis@tiscali.co.uk. like any more information about the day but please call Chris if you would like further details.**



Next weekend there will be a n appeal for the work of the **Brentwood Catholic Children's Society.**

This important charity provides vital counselling services for children of every faith and none in our Diocese. Please be ready to be generous.



YEAR OF FAITH 2012 2013

YEAR OF FAITH STUDY DAY

The diocesan Commission for Evangelisation and Formation announces a series of study days for the Year of Faith. On Saturday 13th October

from 10.30 until 3 p.m. Professor Paul Murray of Durham University will be speaking about the ecumenical vision of

Vatican II. The day is free of charge and a buffet lunch is provided. Please book your place by email to cef@dioceseofbrentwood.org or by phoning 01277 265 289.

7.30pm Tuesday 30th October. Holy Trinity has recently been extended and refurbished, with a new and permanent altar. Bishop Thomas will dedicate the church, and consecrate the altar in a ceremony not often seen. Everyone is very welcome: past parishioners of Holy Trinity are particularly warmly invited.

Notices



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

Tel: 07799 677600.

Hockley Area Action Plan: you will be delighted to know that I had a telephone call from the planners last week to let me know that the plan to use the land at St Pius X has been dropped. However I still think we would be wise to keep an eye on this!



The Good Counsel Network collection boxes have now been emptied and the money sent off ~ if you brought in a box, please take one home from the back of the

church. If you have a full box that is in need of emptying please do bring it in. Many thanks, Tracey 202267



Flowers at St Pius X - If you would like flowers for a special celebration please contact Rosemary on 01702 202459

Don't give your holiday change to Ryan Air!

We are still **collecting foreign coins and notes.** Last year



this simple collection raised nearly £500 The jar for your contributions is at

the back of church.



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ness. St. George's Parish would like to challenge you to bring a table or two along to pitch your wits against us. Do you dare to take the challenge?? Taking place on Saturday 8th September, 7pm for a 7.30pm start, and tickets are £8 each including a fish 'n' chip supper. For information and bookings please contact Dianne and Terry on 01702 535751

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



Reminder to all parents of children in Year 3 and above who wish to make their **First Holy Communion** next year, forms are now available for collection after Mass from Fr Gerry.

for those thinking about entering into full communion with the Catholic Church, and for those who would just like to know more. *There is absolutely no commitment involved.* Catholics are strongly encouraged to attend RCIA too, and you will all love the film series! Refreshments will be provided.



Confirmation

- Anyone beginning year 10 and above who would like to be Confirmed next year should email Fr Gerry and explain why they would like to be

confirmed. Please remember to include contact details.



RCIA begins again this September 27th 8.00pm at St Teresa's Church. The sessions begin with a fantastic film series, *Catholicism*, which clearly and

logically illustrates the truth and beauty of the Catholic Faith. RCIA is a journey in faith



YEAR OF FAITH ²⁰¹²/₂₀₁₃

begins on the 11th
October. Want to
be a part of it?

Everyone is invited to participate in this year of celebration. It is a time to rediscover our faith and remind ourselves how precious it is to us. Our faith is not meant to be private but professed and shared. Start now by joining in the many events taking place within our parish:

Dates for your diary - Sept/Oct 2012

6-12 Oct - Little Way Week for our young parishioners

11th Oct - Inaugural Mass at Brentwood Cathedral to mark the start of 'Year of Faith'. A coach will be leaving St Teresa's Church at 6pm. £5 per person. If you would like to book a seat please call Chris on 07525248298

16th Oct - 8pm - 9.30pm. An inspiring evening led by David Payne Director of CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration). The evening will be a mix of testimony, input, DVD clips, refreshments, prayer and lots of laughter too. A wonderful evening to give your faith a boost.



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OFFERTORY GIVING

*THE 1ST COLLECTION FOR 19TH AUG
WAS £1000.46*

*THE 1ST COLLECTION FOR 26TH AUG
WAS £949.78*

*OUR PARISH STILL COSTS ABOUT £1600 PER
WEEK TO RUN. UNFORTUNATELY THE SHORT-
FALL IS NOT MADE UP BY THE DIOCESE OR
THE GOVERNMENT.*

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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

Sat	1	5.30pm	Twentysecond Sunday of the Year	Andrew & George Balaam and Family	^{SB}
Sun	2	9.00am St Pius X			
		10.30am		Pro Populo	
Mon	3	7.30pm	St Gregory the Great, Pope, D		
Tues	4	9.20am			
Weds	5	9.20am			
Thurs	6	9.00am St Pius X		Josephine Micallef RIP	^A ^M
Fri	7	9.00am St Pius X		Ordinariate Mass	
Sat	8	9.30am	The Birthday of Our Lady		
		5.30pm	Twentythird Sunday of the Year	Pro Populo	
Sun	9	9.00am St Pius X			
		10.30am			

*PLEASE REMEMBER
IN YOUR PRAYERS*

DAILY: for the building up of the Faith in our Parish; The safe return of Natasha and Phoenix.

SUNDAY: The Sick: Mel Packer, Andrew Stevens, Alison Shepherd, Tom Cullen, Sidney Barker, Mary Smith, Ann Shrimplin, Del Williams, Baby Leah, Derek Steward, Fr Andrew Dorricott, Mike Cross, Craig Perryman, Sid Williamson, John Colvill, The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

MONDAY: The Sick: Maria Santana Rodrigues, Ann Whines, Philomma Antony, Emily Rose Gough, Christopher Carr, Sarah Knight, David Squires, Ellie-Mae Robinson. Those who live in Spa Court, Uplands Road, The Candlemakers, and Wheatfields

TUESDAY: The Sick: Margaret Lench, Ellen Gander, Maureen Savage, Edward Cunado, Betty Allen, Dee Fage, Vicky Fage, Joseph Merceica, Lisa Hughes, Elizabeth McManamon, Constance Longman. The people of Bramerton Road Community Church and their minister David Sebley.

WEDNESDAY: The Sick: Ethan Adlum, Delia Cheek, William McArthur, Collette Hague, Margaret Hennessy, Sarah Fisher, Ciaran Freel, Angele De Can, Marjorie Jay, Cassie Thompson, Michael King, Paul Clarke, Ken Cropley, The Queen and her ministers, that the may govern us wisely.

THURSDAY: The Sick: Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Mark Reilly, Terry Alexander, Joanne Lloyd, Gail Airey, John Quinn, Joyce Hall, Len Smith, Dexter Jackson, James Robinson, Sianne Robinson, Samantha Robinson. Those selecting the new Bishop of Brentwood.

FRIDAY: The departed: Peter Henaghan, Chris Sheehan, Joyce Drew, Vic Gooding, Aoife Treacy, Bartholomew Buckley, John Graham, Veronica McKinney, Fr Pat Cavanagh, Eleanor Spiers, Luke Kavanagh, Bo Mann, Rosa Coleman, Peter Connor, Derrick Crisp, Ann Cater, Gabrielle Whines, Sylvia Yeadell, and all the Holy Souls who have none to pray for them.

SATURDAY: The Sick: Alan Gunn, Anthony Micallef, Ross Giza, Oliver Kelly, Drummond & Helen Clapp, Jim Bourne, Shirley Kennenson, Gareth Lewis, Bartly Igoe, Dexter Govia.

6 Ourselves and our own needs. The Pope.