

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

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## 23<sup>ND</sup> WEEK OF THE YEAR

*The Gospel today tells the story of Jesus healing a deaf man with a speech impediment. However though Jesus was a great healer, this was not why he had come into this world. Mark's climactic ending to the story "Be opened" invites us to reflect upon the importance of openness, and to acknowledge the many ways in which we can be more open to God's call to the fullness of life. True joy will be found by those who become true disciples of the Crucified One.*

*How often do we REALLY hear Christ's words, understand them, let them guide us in life? We have to have our own deafness cured and allow Him to open us to his word, His gift of life.*

*Interestingly Jesus chose not to speak in this miracle but used actions instead. Perhaps it is time for us to think about how we communicate with people. Are we using a language people understand? If we are to proclaim Christ to a 'deaf' world we need to think carefully about our actions and how we go about doing His work.*

*As the 'Year of Faith' fast approaches let us unblock our ears, listen to His word and tell the world, or even just one friend the wonders of Christ.*

*With every blessing for the coming week*

Fr Gerry



Next weekend there will be an 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.



**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

**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.



**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](mailto:info@abbotswick.org) [www.facebook.com/TheCOLW](http://www.facebook.com/TheCOLW)



**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.**

**New Hall School Open Morning** - The Principal, staff and students of New Hall

School, Chelmsford, are delighted to invite you and your family to an Open morning on Saturday 29th September 2012, from 9.00am-12.00noon. Please visit [newhallschool.co.uk](http://newhallschool.co.uk) if you would like to register to attend our Open Morning.



**Harvest Mass - The first of many Family Masses led by our parish school will take place at 10.30 on 7th October 2012. HARP**

**will be collecting all donated goods at the end of this Mass so please be as generous as you can. They have especially asked for the following items ; Instant mash, rice, pasta sauces, tinned veg, gravy, baked beans, spaghetti hoops, soup, coffee, sugar, UHT milk. A great opportunity for us to celebrate Mass together.**



**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](mailto:cef@dioceseofbrentwood.org) or by phoning 01277 265 289.



**Coffee Mornings** - We would love to serve coffee after every 10.30 Mass in

the Narthex. If you would like to help with this very rewarding role then please speak to Tracey on 01702 202267 so you can join the rota or why not join us for a cuppa and a catch up.

**St Pius X** - Coffee mornings have been arranged on 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept, 20<sup>th</sup> Oct and Nov 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Everyone is warmly welcome.

**SION COMMUNITY SCRIPTURE RETREAT** The Sion Community is organising a Scripture weekend retreat from 6pm Friday 26th October to Sunday 28th March 2012. Theme: 'The Word of God'. This weekend will enable us to explore and understand the importance of Scripture in our lives and ways in which the Word of God can become an integral part of our Christian walk. Cost: £95 residential, £65 non-residential. Book early as we have limited places. For more information, please call Allegra on 01277 215011 or e-mail [allegra@sioncommunity.org.uk](mailto:allegra@sioncommunity.org.uk) / [admin@sioncommunity.org.uk](mailto:admin@sioncommunity.org.uk)

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.

Adults is Mr Richard Grimes. Tel: 07799 677600.



If you have a full box that is in need of emptying

please do bring it in. Many thanks, Tracey 202267

There are also now **EMPTY** Good Counsel Network and Mission Boxes available for collection. Please take one.



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

**HEAD TEACHER** - Required January or April 2013 St. Luke's Catholic Primary School, Harlow Group 2, NOR: 207, L11-L18 (a starting point of L14 for the right candidate). We are seeking to appoint a practising Catholic, as Headteacher of our school, who will have real ambition and commitment, to lead our school team on its journey of raised aspirations, achievement and love. To arrange a visit, contact the school office on 01279 423499. For an application pack, please contact Helen Edwards, ECC Schools Workforce Team on 01245 436247

## Notices



The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable

**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



## 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.

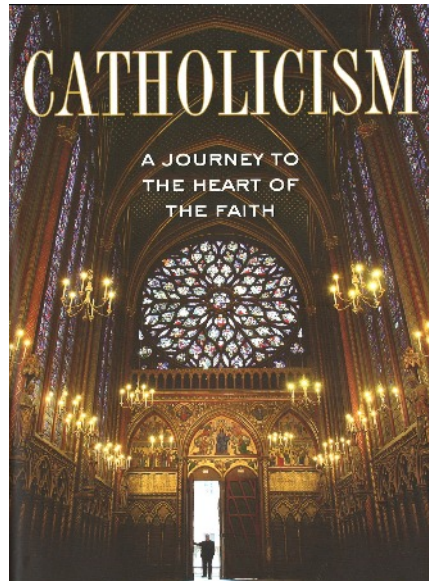
Donation pick up is available ~ call Tracey on 202267  
Many thanks for your continued support

jar for your contributions is at the back of church.

Anthony Micaluff has moved. Please note his new address is St Vincents Nursing Home Wiltshire Lane Eastcote Pinner Middx HA5 2NB



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.



### 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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 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.



YEAR OF FAITH <sup>2012</sup>/<sub>2013</sub>

Church at 6pm. £5 per person. If you would like to book a seat please call Chris on 07525248298. There is a list at the back of St Pius and St Teresa's Church for you to sign up. A special treat has been arranged for the journey back!

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.

Check out the Year of Faith website - [www.annusfidei.va](http://www.annusfidei.va) - containing information about and a full calendar of special events.

## 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



### OFFERTORY GIVING

THE 1ST COLLECTION FOR 2ND SEPT WAS £1027.25

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	8	5.30pm	Twentythird Sunday of the Year	Pro Populo		
Sun	9	9.00am St Pius X				
		10.30am			Peter Henaghan RIP	
Mon	10	7.30pm		Peter Henaghan RIP	SB JC	
Tues	11	9.20am				
Weds	12	9.20am		Tom Stuart	JC	
Thurs	13	9.00am St Pius X	St John Chrysostom, B, D	Ints Anthony Micallef	A M	
Fri	14	9.30am	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross			
Sat	15	9.30am	Our Lady of Sorrows			
		5.30pm	Twentyfourth Sunday of the Year	Sally Duggan	JC	
Sun	16	9.00am St Pius X			Pro Populo	
		10.30am			John & Pamela Emberson on their 45th Wedding Anniversary	J& PE

*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, 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 St. Thomas of Canterbury Hullbridge CofE and for right appointment of Vicar

**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 Sylvia Yeadell, William Catling, Douglas Gullick MaryPike, Catherine Whittlesey, Fred Whittlesey 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. Ourselves and our own needs. The Pope.