

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

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**33<sup>RD</sup> WEEK OF THE YEAR**

*Today's readings use images which announce the approach of the end. The natural question, which comes to mind is - when Lord will this happen?*

*Jesus, however, does not answer this question because, in his human nature, he does not know the answer. All we can do is be prepared.*

*Let this Year of Faith be the perfect opportunity for us to examine our faith lives. As we welcome back the lapsed of our parish this Sunday let us together think how we can be more attentive to our relationship with God. Today is therefore a special day. A day to acknowledge that we must stand ready as we live our lives in full view of that door which stands always open to receive us, the door to eternal life.*

*We set personal and career goals all the time. What would you like your faith life to be like in 6 months, one year, five years?*

*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



The funeral of John Colvill RIP will take place at St Teresa's Church on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 11.30am. All very welcome. Please remember Ana Maria and family in your prayers.



Catholicism at St Teresa's Church every Thursday evening at 8pm. We continue with the fantastic film series, *Catholicism*, which unfolds the truth and beauty of the Catholic Faith. Refreshments provided



St Bernard's Open Evening for Prospective Sixth Form - Wednesday 21st November 2012, 7.00 to 9.00 pm: We

shall be very pleased to welcome students currently in Year 11, to our Open Evening for Prospective Year 12s. During the evening there will be the opportunity to tour the school visiting the various departments and to speak to staff and current students. There will also be an address by Mrs Barron, Head Teacher, and staff available to give advice on Higher Education opportunities and student finance. If you have any queries, please consult the website ([www.stbernardswestcliff.org](http://www.stbernardswestcliff.org)) or call the school on 01702 343583.



**St Thomas More High School Sixth Form Open Evening - Thur**

**22<sup>nd</sup> November 6.00 - 9.00 pm - For Families who have pupils -**

Boys & Girls - In Year 11 of secondary school who are intending to begin sixth form studies in September 2013. Come and visit the school and meet the staff and current sixth form students. The interim Headteacher's talk begin at 7.00pm.

**'Come and See' weekend with the Community of our Lady of Walsingham. Sat 1st - Sun 2nd Dec** Join other young men and women aged 18 plus, interested in exploring religious life, for a time of prayer and sharing with this new community based at the Diocesan House of Prayer near Brentwood. For further details please call us on 01277 373848 or visit [www.walsinghamcommunity.org](http://www.walsinghamcommunity.org)



**FUN QUIZ** on 1st December at St Helen's in our parish hall to raise funds for our parish Lourdes Fund. 7.00pm for 7.30 start. Come and join us. £5 ticket bring your own drinks and nibbles. Let the challenge begin! Tickets phone Sue 07979746707



**A Day With Mary - Saturday 8 December 2012 St Cedd, High Road, Goodmayes, Ilford. Prayers will be offered for your intentions. All very welcome. Email: [dwm@adaywithmarg.org](mailto:dwm@adaywithmarg.org)**

**ADVENT RETREATS**



**The Catholic Fellowship will have a special Mass at Brentwood Cathedral on 25th November 2012 at 3.00pm To say a big 'Thank You' to Bishop Thomas for all the**

**support he has given us over the many years. We invite all the families and all our supporters to join us in this great celebration. There will be refreshments in the Cathedral Hall after Mass.**



**"I Have Done all These Things From my Youth" Fri 14th - Sun 16th Dec** An Advent Retreat for young adults aged 18 -35 who

are asking questions regarding choice-making, the meaning of life etc. Led by Fr Seamus Mulholland OFM, a lecturer at the Franciscan International Study Centre, Canterbury. For further details please call us

on 01277 373848 or visit the events page of [www.free2become.org](http://www.free2become.org)

**Youth Retreat** -14th-16th December. 'Tell the World' Advent open retreat at Walsingham House for those in school years 7-9. A chance for you to enjoy a weekend retreat without the need to come with your school or Parish. £50 will cover the cost of the weekend including all your meals. Email [Jon@walsinghamhouse.org](mailto:Jon@walsinghamhouse.org) or phone 01268 515970 for an application form.

## Notices



The Bruce family would like to thank everyone who

supported the Coffee morning and the Rock and Roll dance in aid of the Meningitis Research Foundation. The two events combined, along with a very generous donation raised almost £1000! This is a fantastic result, thanks to your generosity. A big thank you also to everybody who baked cakes, provided raffle prizes and helped in any way at the events. Your continuing support for this charity is very much appreciated by us all!



The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable Adults is Mr Richard Grimes. Tel: 07799 677600.

## YEAR OF FAITH



**11<sup>th</sup> Dec - Carol Service** - This is going to be a beautiful, candle-lit service involv-

ing both the parish and school and one not to be missed. The service begins at 7.30 and will be followed by refreshments. Put this date in your diary now as it is going to be very popular.



**Evangelising for the Year of Faith**

**Study Days for the Year of Faith**

**A Question of Faith**

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> November - The Catholic Parish of Our Lady & All Saints at The Most Holy Trinity Church Hall, Wickhay, SS15 5AD

Question of Faith is an opportunity for the audience to ask questions of a panel of priests and lay Catholics about living the Catholic Faith. Drinks and nibbles available and the evening is free of charge to participants. 7.30 - 9.00 pm. Booking is not required.

**NEW WEBSITE FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH** The diocesan Commission for Evangelisation and Formation announces the launch of a new website [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org) It is designed for anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith and particularly those involved in parish ministries and evangelisation. On it you will find reflections on gospel passages, articles and talks relating to evangelisation, recordings of our Ecumenical Study Days, and much more

# Pilgrimage to Poland for the Year of Faith led by Fr. Gerry Drummond- St Teresa's Rochford. Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2013 - 6 Days/5 Nights

## Day 1 - Arrival in Krakow

**Day 2** - Guided visit to the **Bishop's Palace** in which the Holy Father Pope John Paul II gave sermons and heard confessions. There will also be a visit to **Wawel Cathedral** and a visit to the **New Basilica**.

**Day 3** - Today we have a trip to Czestochowa, a town of special importance to John Paul II. Its focal point is the **Chapel of the Blessed Virgin** and its miraculous icon of the **Black Madonna, said to be painted by St Luke himself**.

**Day 4 - Krakow** - After breakfast excursion to **Auschwitz - Birkenau**. Witness here one of the most memorable lessons of modern European history. In the afternoon we will depart to Kalwaria **Zebrzdowska**, a pilgrimage destination home to Bernardine Abbey, St Mary's Church and one of **Europe's oldest Ways of the Cross**.

The cost of this Pilgrimage is £625 per person (single room supp £130) based on half board and including all travel. If you are interested in joining this wonderful pilgrimage please see Fr Gerry for an application form.



The Repository at the back of church now boasts a wide range of Christmas cards, gifts and devotional

items, all at much better value than the shops. Why may more?



Coffee at St Pius X - Sat 24th Nov 10-12 - Why not forget the shopping and enjoy a chat and piece of cake and make a change to your Saturday. All proceeds go directly to the church so please do try and attend.



**A number of Mission Boxes are still awaiting collection at the back of church. Please check if there is one for you. There are also Good Counsel**

**Network Boxes, please feel free to take one home today. All spare change is gratefully received.**

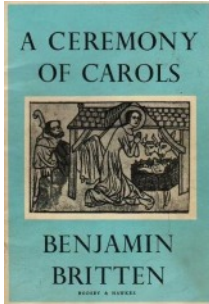
## JOBS

The Governors of St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Billericay wish to appoint an excellent classroom teacher to work in Year 2 from January 2013 for two terms on a fixed term contract. The successful candidate will be motivated and enthusiastic with high expectations, flexible and creative, and able to support and nurture our Catholic ethos. A practising Catholic is preferred but not essential.

For further details, contact the school office on 01277 653770.

Closing date: Noon on Wednesday 28 November 2012

**Bishop Thomas** - There will be a second collection for Bishop Thomas next weekend for his retirement . Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.



"On Tuesday, 27th November at 7.30 pm in Brentwood Cathedral there will be a concert given by Southend Boys' Choir, Southend Girls' Choir and the Ursuline Chamber

Choir conducted by Roger Humphrey. Music will include Britten's Ceremony of Carols and music by John Rutter and Bob Chilcott.. This concert is very unique. It is the first time the two Southend Choirs have sung together in our cathedral and it is also combining with the Ursuline Chamber Choir. Tickets are available from the Cathedral Music Office, Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood, CM15 8AT / email: music@dioceseofbrentwood.org and also from the three choirs."



**Publication:** The Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes

& St Joseph, Leigh-on-Sea (1912-2012) by Father Stewart Foster. This new book, illustrated throughout in

colour and black & white, has been written to commemorate the Centenary of the Catholic Parish of Leigh-on-Sea, Essex. Copies cost £10 and may be ordered from: Parish History, 1 Cliffsea Grove, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex SS9 1NG. Please make cheques payable to 'Our Lady of Lourdes Church'.

### THE FAITH STORE

This store is run by volunteers and funds raised go towards our parish.

We require good quality donations to sell including clothes, DVDs, bed linen, bric-a-brac, toys etc

Why not have a good sort out now and make room for new Christmas gifts.?

If collection required please call Tracey on 01702 202267



### OFFERTORY GIVING

*THE 1ST COLLECTION FOR 4TH NOV WAS £987.96*

*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	17	5.30pm	Thirty third Sunday of the Year	Helen McCarthy	VH
Sun	18	9.00am St Pius X		Harry Clark RIP	BM
		10.30am		Pro Populo	
Mon	19	7.30pm		Ints Tess Bowles	SC
Tues	20	9.20am		Jim Irwin RIP	OR
Weds	21	9.20am	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	John Colvill RIP	J&P C
Thurs	22	9.00am St Pius X	St Cecilia, V, M		
Fri	23	No Mass Today			
Sat	24	9.30am	St Andrew Dung-Lac, P & Comps,Mm		
		5.30pm	Christ the King	Ann Reiss RIP	
Sun	25	9.00am St Pius X		Mary Murphy RIP	
		10.30am		Pro Populo	

*PLEASE REMEMBER  
IN YOUR PRAYERS*

**DAILY: for the building up of the Faith in our Parish;**

**SUNDAY:** The Sick: Andrew Stevens, Alison Shepherd, Tom Cullen, Sidney Barker, Mary Smith, Del Williams, Joe Mullany, Derek Steward, Fr Andrew Dorricott, Mike Cross, Craig Perryman, . The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

**MONDAY:** The Sick: Nancy Isaac, Maria Santana Rodrigues, Philomma Antony, Emily Rose Gough, Christopher Carr, Sarah Knight, David Squires, Ellie-Mae Robinson. Those who live in Steeple Close, Watts Lane, The Garners and Wood Avenue.

**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. Rev. David Redbond, Rev Simon Law, Pastor Keith Maynard, Rev. Tony Tween and Paster Dean Courtier.

**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, Joanne Lloyd, Gail Airey, John Quinn, Joyce Hall, Len Smith, Dexter Jackson, James Robinson, Sianne Robinson, Samantha Robinson.

**FRIDAY:** The departed: Anne Marie King, John Colvill, Harry Clark, Peter Doman, John Rowley, Anna Kubiak, Wladyslaw Kubiak, Gerald Mann, Edward Rolt, Preston 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 Gareth Lewis, Bartly Igoe, Dexter Govia. Ourselves and our own needs. The Pope.