

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

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PALM SUNDAY

Now we begin the "Great Week", in which we remember the momentous events of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his ministry in the Temple and his Passion, death and resurrection.

It is important that we understand what remembering is, and in Deuteronomy 26 we find the answer: when the people of God make their offerings of the first fruits in the promised land, God tells them that they are to remember the Exodus: they are to say: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor ... The Lord brought us out of Egypt ... and he brought us into this place and gave us this land." Notice that the people are to say: "God heard OUR voice... OUR affliction... OUR toil... Brought US out of Egypt ... Brought US into this place ... Gave US this land." The salvation of their ancestors is their salvation too; they participate in that salvation by recalling the saving events of the exodus.

The Easter Vigil begins with the words: "If We keep the memorial of the Lord's Paschal solemnity in this way, ... then we shall have the sure hope of sharing his triumph over death and living with him in God." When we remember Jesus' passion, death and resurrection, we make them present and so that we can be saved and made free!

Wishing you every blessing this Holy Week

Fr Gerry



We welcome our school community at 10.30 Mass as they lead us in the Gospel. Please do join us for tea and coffee afterwards.

There will be a second collection this Sunday for

flowers for the Church. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

Easter Lily envelopes in memory of a loved one are available from this weekend at the back of church. Please return



them as soon as possible as the lilies need to be ordered.

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.



Please make a special effort to come to the **Stations of the Cross on Monday Evening 25 March at 8pm**, to join with Christians

of all churches in the Rochford and Hockley area. Refreshments provided.

Notices

Please remember the two collections next week: on Good Friday there is a retiring Collection for the Holy Land. This assistance maintains the Holy Sites, as well as the communities that dwell there. Together with religious communities, the funds collected provide immediate relief to the catastrophic consequences of war and other emergencies.

Secondly, the Easter Offerings which are for Fr Gerry and form an important part of his income. If you intend to celebrate the Triduum at St Pius X and you wish your offering to go to Fr Gerry, please make sure you put it in a clearly marked envelope.



THE REAL EASTER EGG

Out of the 80 million chocolate Easter Eggs sold each year in the UK, not one of them mentions Jesus on the box. The Real Easter Egg is the UK's first and only

Fairtrade charity egg to mention Jesus and the events of the Christian period of Holy Week on the box. For more information please visit the website: www.meaningfulchocolate.co.uk

Brian Denton - died on 5th March. Brian's Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday 26th March at 1pm at Our Lady of Ransom followed by cremation at Basildon Crematorium. May he rest in peace.



CHANT WORKSHOP

Explore the beauty of plainchant on Saturday 13

April 1pm - 5pm at Our Lady of Lourdes & St Joseph Church, Leigh Road, Leigh on Sea. Directed by Nick Gale MA (Oxon) HonFASC, Director of Music, St George's Cathedral, Southwark. The workshop is designed for everyone - singers and those just interested in learning about chant. It is open to all ages, but anyone under eighteen years must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Why not come along and learn how to read it and what it means. Cost : £5. Bookings and further information : Shirley Timmins 01277 219944 (Tues - Sat 9.30am-5pm) or 01277 233302 at other times or email picturesque@tiscali.co.uk



The Legion of Mary is holding its annual Acies ceremony

(renewal of Promise) on Sunday 14th April at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Tilbury, RM18 7BT commencing 2.00pm. All Senior, Junior and Auxiliary members are invited along with anyone interested in the Legion of Mary. For more information contact: Gerald 01702 207234.

Craft & Coffee at Belchamps Scout Activity Centre

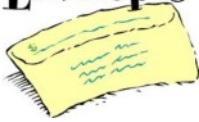
- Why not meet at Belchamps to socialise whilst you enjoy your favourite craft. We aim to have a



demonstration or talk by an experienced crafter every other week. Why not come along and share your ideas. Starts Thur 18th April 2013 1pm - 3pm. Costs £3 per person which includes tea and biscuits. All ages and crafts welcome. Contact Guest Services on 01702 562690 or at info@belchamps.co.uk

for more info, to ask about demonstrating or to book.

Offering Envelopes



Planned giving envelopes are now at the back of church. Please remember to take yours.

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



HUNGRY FOR CHANGE FAMILY

WALK Come and join us for a Picnic and Children's treasure trail at Hanningfield Reservoir on Friday 5th April in solidarity with the 1 in 8 people who go to bed hungry each night. Meeting at the visitor centre at 11am. No need to book just turn up with your picnic. (Fully accessible - sorry no dogs). Hanningfield Reservoir, Hawkswood Road, Downham, Billericay, Essex CM11 1WT



Do you ever ask, "Who is God calling me to be?" "What is God calling me to do?" Men and women aged 17 - 35 are

very welcome to the Brentwood Vocations Discernment Group; it is informal and friendly, includes a meal and a time of prayer, and we invite excellent speakers to share their story. At our next meeting on Friday 26th April we welcome Mgr John Armitage, Vicar General of Brentwood

Diocese. Fr John was Vocations Director for a decade, and he has superb stories and insights to share about his own path to Priesthood. For full details of the group, and the venue, please email frdominic@brentwoodvocations.org or call Fr Dominic, Vocations Director, 01268 281732. For lots more resources and information, visit www.brentwoodvocations.org.

Year of Faith Events

Pilgrimage to Poland - 8th April - Please remember in your prayers Fr Gerry and our parishioners who will soon be travelling to Poland. May their



journey be a spiritual one in this special Year of Faith.

24th April - GOT A FAITH QUESTION ? Ask the experts: Fr Kevin Hale, Fr Graham Smith & Fr Lee Bennett. Chaired by very own expert Fr Gerry Drummond. All parishes in the diocese have been invited making this an evening not to miss. Refreshments will be provided. For further information please speak to Chris Challis or any member of our Year of Faith Group.



Friday 18th - Sunday 20th Oct 2013 - Pilgrimage to Walsingham A Residential Pilgrimage has been booked for our parish at Elmham House, National Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham, Norfolk. Cost: £24.20 Bed &

Breakfast per night (£12.10 for children 10 years & under) Single and twin bedded rooms only, no en suites. (Coach Extra) There is accommodation for up to 30 pilgrims - £5 deposit required per person, to be paid in the next 28 days. For further information please call Tracey Heddon on 01702 202267



**NEW HALL
PREPARATORY
SCHOOL (Chelmsford)**

Head of English - The Preparatory School requires an outstanding primary classroom practitioner, who has flair and passion for

the teaching of English and a commitment to achieving the highest academic standards. Visits to the school are welcome by prior appointment. For further details and an application form, please contact the Human Resources Department on 01245 467 588, fax: 01245 467 188 or email: hr@newhallschool.co.uk Closing date: Midday, Wednesday 17 April 2013 Interview date: Wednesday 24 April 2013



**BRENTWOOD
CATHOLIC YOUTH
SERVICE**

now have a vacancy for an Assistant BCYS Retreat Manager based at Walsingham

House (our 40 bed Diocesan Youth Retreat Centre) in Canvey Island. This vacancy is for someone who will be resident with and will lead the gap year volunteer community living in a house in the grounds of Walsingham House.

We are looking for a practicing Catholic with a minimum of 2 years experience of living in community and being involved in retreat work. The role requires someone to be studying towards or have a degree in either Youth Ministry or Theology.

Further details of this vacancy and how to apply can be found here: www.bcys.net/pages/details/8



HAVENS HOSPICES

We're looking for a Chaplain to join our multidisciplinary team to provide spiritual support for the children, patients and families we care for - at our two hospices and in the community.

You'll provide one to one support, arrange opportunities for regular acts of worship and devotion such as morning prayers and other organised services. You'll also work closely with the local churches and faith groups, enabling them to provide care and support to their members who need our care.

Candidates will have at least 5 years ordained experience, a commitment to providing spiritual care and support, and be looking for an opportunity to make a real difference to children and families and patients across Essex.

Full Time 37.5 hours per week Closing date: 27th March 2013 Please email lkanyepi@havenshospices.org.uk for more information .



When we truly recognize all that Christ has done for us, we will want to offer ourselves wholly to God as a living sacrifice of worship to him. Our offerings will flow freely from a heart of gratitude.



ST PIUS X Gardeners required to help with the upkeep of the grounds of St Pius X. This

The picture of our financial giving simply reveals a reflection of our lives

is a voluntary post . If you are able to help please contact David Whines 205269

NEW HALL SCHOOL OPEN MORNING



The Principal, staff and students are delighted to invite you and your family to an Open Morning on Bank Holiday Monday 6 May 2013, from 9.00am-12.00noon. New Hall, founded in 1642, is one of the top performing

Catholic co-educational independent day and boarding schools in the UK. We welcome students from ages 3-18 and each year we offer 11+ and 13+ scholarships specifically for Catholic students coming from both maintained and independent schools. Priority is given to weekly and full boarders. Visit newhallschool.co.uk/open morning or call 01245 467 588 to book your place .

Faith Store

All good quality donations gratefully received!

Thank you!



OFFERTORY GIVING

THE FRUGAL LUNCH FOR CAFOD RAISED £300

THE COLLECTION FOR THE LENT FAST DAY FOR CAFOD WAS £508.44

THE 1ST COLLECTION FOR 3RD MAR WAS £956.78 WHICH INCLUDED £340 IN STANDING ORDERS.

1ST COLLECTION FOR 17TH MARCH WAS £1059.92. WHICH INCLUDED £340 IN STANDING ORDERS.

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

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| | | 5.30pm | | |
| Sun | 24 | 9.00am St Pius | Palm Sunday | The People of the Parish |
| | | 10.30am | | |
| Mon | 25 | 7.30pm | Fig Monday | Bridget Reilly RIP |
| Tues | 26 | 9.20am | Temple Tuesday | Ints Rita Bolton |
| Weds | 27 | 9.20am | Spy Wednesday | Bob Hillier RIP |
| Thurs | 28 | 8.00pm | Maundy Thursday | |
| Fri | 29 | 3.00pm | Good Friday Passion | |
| Sat | 30 | 9.30am | Holy Saturday Morning Prayer Blessing of Easter Food | |
| | | 10.30am | Childrens' Stations of the Cross | |
| | | 8.00pm | Easter Vigil | |
| Sun | 31 | 9.00am St Pius | Easter Day | The People of the Parish |
| | | 10.30am | | Jim Bowles RIP |

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

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

SUNDAY: The Sick: Sheila Burton, Alison Shepherd, Andrew Stevens, Sheila Clegg, Mary Smith, Del Williams, Joe Mullany, Derek Steward, Fr Andrew Dorricott, The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

MONDAY: The Sick: Sarah-Jane Lovibond Jackson, Nancy Isaac, Philomma Antony, Emily Rose Gough, Christopher Carr, Sarah Knight, David Squires, Ellie-Mae Robinson, Mike Cross, Craig Perryman.. Those who live in Allerton close, Broadlands Avenue, Durham Road and Hawkwell Road.

TUESDAY: The Sick: Margaret Lench, Ellen Gander, Maureen Savage, Edward Cunado, Betty Allen, Dee Fage, Vicky Fage, Joseph Merceica, Constance Longman, Paul Clarke, Ken Cropley. The people of Hawkwell Baptist Church and their Minister Rev'd Richard Lles.

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

THURSDAY: The Sick: Lisa Hughes, Elizabeth McManamon, Bert and Dorian Churcher, Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Mark Reilly, Joanne Lloyd, Gail Airey, Joyce Hall, Len Smith, Dexter Jackson, James Robinson, Sianne Robinson, Samantha Robinson.

FRIDAY: The departed: Vicky Hunter, Dora Byrne, William Savage 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.