

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

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24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

“Maybe someone among us here is thinking: my sin is so great, I am as far from God as the younger son in the parable (of the merciful Father), my unbelief is like that of Thomas; I don't have the courage to go back, to believe that God can welcome me and that he is waiting for me, of all people. But God is indeed waiting for you; he asks of you only the courage to go to him... Do not be afraid, go to him, he is waiting for you, he will take care of everything.” Pope Francis

With every blessing  
Fr Gerry



**The Legion of Mary:** working and praying for the Kingdom of God in our Parish. We meet every Monday at 5.00pm in the narthex. If this is something you feel you

would like to be part of then please do speak to Fr Gerry or to Gerald Miller after Mass. Why not join us at the next meeting? All very welcome.

the Threshold” : Ministry and Outreach to Non-Churchgoing (lapsed) Catholics. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you



### Holy Communion

There will be an information meeting for all parents whose children will be making their Holy Communion in 2014 directly after 10.30 Mass. It is also the last day for applications.



This weekend after every Mass there will be a second collection for Home Mission Sunday. This year's theme is “Crossing



The Parish Council will be meeting on

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm. Please remember them in your prayers as they meet to discuss the needs of our parish and support the work of Fr Gerry.

Family Choir and Friends Arcade Studio Orchestra. Tickets: 07908 886513



Saturday 21st September 3.30pm at Brentwood Cathedral. You are warmly invited to join us

for a Mass to celebrate Marriage and the Family with Bishop Thomas McMahon presiding. Please contact the Marriage and Family Life Office on 01277265252 or email [familylife@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseofbrentwood.org). to let us know how many people you will be bringing so that we can cater for numbers at the reception in the Parish Hall afterwards.



Saturday 28th September: A Day for the Year of Faith - renowned author and theologian Fr Daniel O'Leary, will lead the day - Registration from 10.00am- for a 10.30am

start. Finish 4.00pm. Loving the Lord- the heart of our lives; the heart of God. Cost: £10 per person. Please bring a packed lunch. Cathedral Conference Centre, Brentwood. To book a place, contact the Adult RE Office on 01277 265255/219 or email [are&fm@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:are&fm@dioceseofbrentwood.org)



Next Sunday after 10.30 Mass there will be a coffee morning in aid of The Meningitis Research Foundation in memory of a very dear parishioner, Daniel Bruce RIP. This is held every year and



you will not be disappointed in the lovely cakes for sale! Please do support the Bruce family and be as generous as you can. Thank You

**28th Sept at 7.30pm - Brentwood Cathedral The Knights of St Columbia in Aid of BCCS present JOB!** A 25th Anniversary Concert based on the Old Testament Book of JOB performed by The Holy



THE LEGACY OF VATICAN II

Thursday 26 September Mgr David Manson's talk considers the

development of liturgy since Vatican II - 'Towards Authentic Liturgy'. On Thursday 3 October Michelle Moran will discuss 'The Universal Call to Holiness', exploring the new movements and communities in the Vatican II church. On Thursday 17 October Fr Paul Keane tells the story of 'The Catholic Church and Freedom of Conscience', the Declaration on Religious Liberty, Dignitatis Humanae, and explores its repercussions. All talks begin at 7.30 p.m. and take place at the Cathedral House Conference Centre, Ingrave Road, CM15 8AT. There is no charge and no need to book. Refreshments provided. The last 3 talks take place in November. For full details please go to [www.whatgoodnews.org/](http://www.whatgoodnews.org/) and click on 'Events' or the Commission on phone 01277 265289.

## Offertory Giving

1<sup>st</sup> collection for 25th August was £840.64. £340 of which was gift aided.

Your Parish costs about £1600 per week to run. Where do you think the £600 shortfall EVERY week will come from?

From this day forward - Responding to the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act National Tour 2013

Redefining Marriage - The new law which creates same-sex marriage has been pushed through Parliament. How should Christians continue to stand for the biblical definition of marriage? What legal protections are available for churches, schools and individuals at work? This tour aims to inform Christians, encourage prayer and equip you as together we continue to stand for marriage in the years ahead. For tour dates please see the church notice board.



Invocation 2013. Aged 17-30? Considering who God is calling you to be? What God is calling you to do? Join a group from Brentwood Diocese to enjoy

excellent speakers (Fr Glen Sudano, Fr Dermott Donnelly), magnificent music (Edwin Fawcett, fresh from WYD Rio) and inspiring drama (RISE theatre) on Saturday October 12th, St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham. All participants must register, and there is transport from Essex and East London. The cost for the day is just £10, including lunch. Full details from Fr Dominic Howarth, Vocations Director, [frdominic@brentwoodvocations.org](mailto:frdominic@brentwoodvocations.org) or call 01268 281732. Subsidies possible for those

who want to travel direct from university. Application deadline NEXT FRIDAY, 20th September.



### Women Religious History Day with Essex Recusant & Who were the Nuns?

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at the Brentwood Cathedral Conference Centre.

Talks commence at 12.30 with Dr Caroline Bowden and Dr James Kelly on the English convents in exile, 1600 - 1800 and their links to Essex and the South East. Dr Carmen Mangion will also be offering a talk on Catholic Religious Life in Victorian England. As numbers are limited places will be allocated on a first come first served basis: Please register with Miss Isobel Parks on 01268 289678 or [isobelparks@rocketmail.com](mailto:isobelparks@rocketmail.com)



### Southern Deanery Harvest Supper

- Brentwood Catholic Children's Society will be hosting a

Deanery Supper on Friday 11th October 2013 at The Rayleigh Golf Club, Hullbridge. Tickets cost £25 per person with guests being served a traditional three course Harvest Supper followed by

Tea/Coffee. The event will begin at 7.30 for 8pm supper and finish at 11pm and entertainment will be provide by a live vocalist. This is a unique opportunity to join your parish priests and fellow parishioners in community celebration and I do hope you are able to support the event and join us. For further information or to book tickets please contact Julie Abbott - 01268 784544 / 07912277413 / jabbott@bccs.org.uk



**SILENT RETREAT**  
 From 6pm Friday  
 22nd to Sunday 24th  
 November 2013.  
 Theme: 'Be Still, my  
 Soul'. This silent

retreat is an opportunity to step out of our daily routine and spend time with the Lord. Talks, Mass, prayer & quiet reflection form part of the weekend. Book early as we have limited places. For more information, please call Allegra on 01277 215011 or e-mail allegra@sioncommunity.org.uk / admin@sioncommunity.org.uk

**NOTICES**



The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable Adults is Mel Packer who can be contacted on : 01702 547954 or

offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk

St Pius X primary school in Chelmsford is seeking a visionary and inspirational Head teacher who will provide strong, professional and spiritual leadership. Are you ready for the challenge of advancing this improving school to good and then to outstanding? Please contact headships@essex.gov.uk for an application pack. Closing Date 4th October 2013.



**Walsingham Pilgrimage 18th-20th Oct.** If you put your name down for Walsingham the payment is now due. Please put £70 cash or cheque made payable to St. Teresa's RC Church

(plus £5 deposit if still owing) in an envelope marked with your name, address and phone number. This should be handed to Father Gerry or Mike and Tracey Heddon ASAP. A list of names is in the church porch - there may still be a couple of places available. Any queries please ring Tracey on 202267 / 07975964726. Thank you so much - here's to a wonderful Pilgrimage!!



Maryvale Institute and Sion Community

are collaborating to offer New Evangelisation & Ministry Courses beginning October 26th 2013. Study at home with tutor support from Maryvale. Attend Study Days in Brentwood, Essex - one per term. This course will help deepen and develop your faith and bring increased confidence and skills in your ministry to others. Pathways offered: Parish Ministry, Ministry to the Sick, Youth Ministry & Family Ministry. To book on the course or get more information please contact: Maryvale Institute, Tel. 0121 360 8118, email: evangelisation@maryvale.ac.uk, website: www.maryvale.ac.uk APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 10TH OCTOBER



### **The Faith Store**

This is a fabulous shop selling good quality donations and is run purely by volunteers

to support our church.

We are always in need of more clothes, cd's, DVD's, bric-a-brac and toys. Please ring Tracey on 01702 202267 if you have donations you would like us to collect. Alternatively the shop is open from 10 am to 4pm daily if you have any you would like to drop off.

### **A message from the family of Connie Charles RIP**

**Paul, Jeanine and Steven would like to express their thanks and gratitude to everyone who attended Connie's funeral and for the many messages of sympathy they received. It brought the family great comfort. They are also truly amazed by the generous donations received in aid of Havens Hospices. Thank you.**



### **Antica Roma -**

**2<sup>nd</sup> October - all seats have now been booked and we have filled the restaurant. This**

date was chosen as it was the closest day we could have to our Feast Day and what a wonderful celebration it will be. If you have not paid your deposit yet could you

please give it to either Fr Gerry or Chris Challis as soon as possible. We would also be grateful if you could write your menu choices down on the list provided so that we can pre-order prior to the night. Many thanks

## ***Dickensian Fayre - 24<sup>th</sup> November***



– Come and enjoy a fun afternoon in the parish centre and help raise essential funds at the same time. Transport yourself into the world of Charles Dickens novels. Enjoy some delicious soup in Our Oliver Twist kitchen or browse around our Old Curiosity shop and purchase some Christmas delights and lots, lots more. Our first planning meeting will take place



on **Thur 26<sup>th</sup> Sept at 8pm in the Narthex.** We do encourage you to attend and share your ideas.

***“Doubt, despair and indifference are the opposite of faith, hope and love”***

*MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS*

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

Sat	14	5.30pm	24th Sunday of the Year	Pro Populo	
Sun	15	9.00am St Pius X		In Thanksgiving Tony Sylvester	E&AS
		10.30am		John & Pam Emberson in thanksgiving for 46 years of Marriage	J&PE
Mon	16	7.30pm	Ss Cornelius, P & Cyprian. Bp. Mm	Connie Charles RIP	PJ&S
Tues	17	9.20am	St Robert Bellarmine. B. D		
Weds	18	9.20am			
Thurs	19	9.00am St Pius X	St Januarius. B. M	Connie Charles RIP	J&Bm
Fri	20	No Mass Today	Ss Andrew Kim Taegon. P & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Comps. Mm		
Sat	21	9.30am	St Matthew. Ap. Ev		
		5.30pm			
Sun	22	9.00am St Pius X	25th Sunday of the Year	Pro Populo	
		10.30am			

***FOR YOUR PRAYERS***

Daily: for the building up of the Faith in our Parish:  
For Peace in the Middle East.

Sunday: The Sick: Mary Stacey, Lina Price, Margaret Spiers, Sheila Burton, Andrew Stevens, Sheila Clegg, Mary Smith, Del Williams, Derek Steward. The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

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Tuesday: The Sick: Chris O'Shea, Edward Cunado, Patricia Spikin, Delf Williams, Jean King, Betty Allen, Joseph Merceica, Constance Longman, Ken Cropley. The people of Rockdene Christian Fellowship and their Minister John Stanton.

Wednesday: The Sick: Paul Clarke, Maureen Savage, Ethan Adlum, Delia Cheek, William

McArthur, Margaret Hennessy, Sarah Fisher, Ciaran Freel, Angele De Can, Marjorie Jay, Cassie Thompson, Michael King. The Queen and her ministers, that they may govern us wisely.

Thursday: The Sick: Bert & Dorian Churcher, Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Joanne Lloyd, Gail Airey, Joyce Hall, Len Smith, Sarah Jane Lovibond Jackson, James Robinson, Sianne Robinson, Samantha Robinson, Dee Fage and Dexter Govia.

Friday: For those whose anniversaries fall this week: William Catling, Douglas Gullick, Mary Pike, Catherine Whittlesey, Fred Whittlesey, Ernie Greenburgh, Anne McGowan, Nial McNamee, George Hanagan and Amy Kuchly. Ourselves and our own needs. Pope Francis, Bishop Thomas, Our Student Priests: Rick Fernandez, Simon Augustus-Payne and Paschal Uche.

Saturday: The Sick: Mary Rolt, Alan Gunn, Alain Kennedy-Fern, Anthony Micallef, Ross Giza, Oliver Kelly, Drummond & Helen Clapp, Jim Bourne, Terry Purton, Gareth Lewis, Bartly Igoe, and all those in hospital.