

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



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## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

*During Lent we are encouraged to join Jesus in the desert and share his experience of prayer and fasting. Through our Baptism we are given the great gift of grace and it is this grace which will give us true moments of strength when faced with temptations.*

*This Lent, acknowledge your human limitations and need for God's help. The grace of God can be powerful in the heart that is lowly.*

With Every Blessing this Holy Season

*Fr Gerry*



**The Legion of Mary:** The Legion of Mary is here to serve our parish beneath the standard of Our Lady's loving care. If you or a loved one would like a visit, there is a 'Legion of Mary

Box' in the church porch, at both St. Teresa's and St. Pius. Simply put name and phone number into the box and the Legion will contact you. We also 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.

**This Sunday at 10. 30 is our Youth Mass led by our Confirmation candidates. A very warm welcome to you all!**



**Coffee & Cake** will be served after Mass by some of our Year 6 children from St Teresa's School. Please do support

them all!



**Stations of the Cross-Friday at 7.30. This week they will be at St Pius X.** Do try and attend and make this part of your Lenten Journey.



**RCIA** Our next meeting is Monday 10th March at 8pm . If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic or would simply like to learn

more about our Faith please join us then do please come to a join us one evening. All very welcome. This Sunday our candidates will be going to Brentwood Cathedral for the Rite of Election. Please do remember them in your prayers.

**First Holy Communion**

will be meeting this Sunday after 10.30 Mass. Please do remember to keep our children in your Prayers as they prepare to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus for the first time.



Every **Wednesday** during Lent Fr Gerry will be saying Mass at 6.30 am. A perfect

way to start the day and to offer that little extra to the Lord during this period of giving and preparation . After Mass why not join us for a bacon roll and coffee before you set off to work. Look forward to seeing you all there!

**NOTICES**



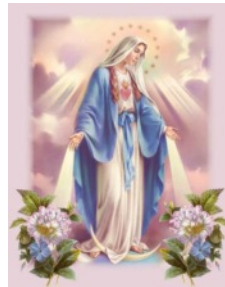
The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable Adults is Mel Packer who can be contacted on : 01702 547954 or

offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk



**'HEALING MASS** celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at Abbotswick House of Prayer on Wednesday 19th

March at 2.30pm. All welcome. For further details, please visit [www.abbotswick.org](http://www.abbotswick.org) or call 01277 373959.



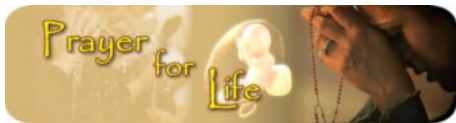
The Legion of Mary is holding its annual Acies ceremony (renewal of Promise) on Sunday 23rd March at Our Lady of Ransom, Rayleigh c o m m e n c i n g 2.00pm. Light

refreshments afterwards. All Senior, Junior and Auxiliary members are invited along with anyone interested in the Legion of Mary. For more information and transport requirements contact: Gerald Miller 01702 207234. -



**Family Walk** - Picnic and Children's treasure trail at Hanningfield Reservoir on

Weds 9<sup>th</sup> April in solidarity with the 1 in 8 people who go to bed hungry each night. Suggested £5 donation per adult, children free. Meet at the visitor centre at 11 am. No need to book just turn up with your picnic. (Fully accessible - sorry no dogs) Hanningfield Reservoir, Hawkswood Road, Downham, Billericay, Essex.



**Prayers for Life** - Each week parishioners across the Diocese meet to pray the Rosary for Life. We hear many stories about women who believed abortion was their only option but through prayer and support they have gone on to have healthy babies and enjoy the true joy of motherhood. A group meets every Thursday outside Southend Hospital between 11-1 or alternatively all are welcome to attend Adoration at St Helens's Church at the same time every Thursday.

If you would like any further information on The Good Counsel Network please see their website [www.goodcounselnetwork.org](http://www.goodcounselnetwork.org).



The Triple H Community Choir will be singing a programme of Choral

Arrangements of music from the 60s & 70s on the evening of Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> March at St Teresa's at 7.30 . A lovely evenings entertainment. All very welcome.

## JOBS



**Brentwood Catholic Children's Society** is recruiting a senior Social Worker to be their new part time (19 hours) Head of

Professional Services to practice manage a strong existing team and to work with the existing Deputy Director who is moving to a part time role. Application Pack from Steven Webb (Director) on [swebb@bccs.org.uk](mailto:swebb@bccs.org.uk) or 01268 78454 Primary Schools'

## Dates for your Diary

**15<sup>th</sup> March - Saturday 10 am - 12 - Altar Servers Club.** Thank you to all those children who joined us last week. If you are an Altar Server please do make every effort to attend.



**6<sup>th</sup> April - Frugal Lunch** served in the parish centre with all proceeds going to CAFOD. Tickets now on

sale.. Please see Christine Challis or Julie McFadden- £5 each

**12<sup>th</sup> April - Parish 'Quiet Day' in preparation for Holy Week.** The day will include an address by Fr Gerry, Benediction, Afternoon Prayer and the opportunity for Confession. This is a perfect way to reflect on Holy Week and to think about your faith away from the normal pressures of a Saturday.



**14<sup>th</sup> April - Ecumenical Stations of the Cross** at St Teresa's Church at 7.30 pm with all the other churches in the local area. Please make this a date in your diary.



**6<sup>th</sup> July - Parish Garden Party** -we promise a fantastic, themed afternoon

of fun. Please put this date in your diary now! Our first planning meeting will take place on **Wednesday 26th March at 8pm. Please note change of date!** Please come and offer your support and share ideas. **This is a big and important fundraiser and social event for the parish.**

**and I urge you to think about giving a very small part of your time to the Lord in this way.**



We are still looking for help with cleaning the church. If you could spare just a couple of

hours every fortnight please let Bridget Smith know. It would be great to have to Church looking beautiful for Easter. Thank You!

Pope Francis Tweets:  
@ Pontifex



**The Eucharist is essential for us: it is Christ who wishes to enter our lives and fill us with his grace.**

**Our church choir needs new members! Rehearsals are just once a week and include delicious homemade cake. Music is such an important part of the Liturgy**



## Worship Through Giving



### Offertory Giving

1st Collection for 16th Feb was £936.34 - £340 of which was Standing Orders.

2nd Collection for Lourdes Sick was £92.43



## St Teresa's Pilgrimage to Rome - 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2014 - 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 2014

We are now taking bookings for our parish pilgrimage to Rome. The itinerary includes a half day tour to St Paul's Outside the Walls, St John Lateran, the Scala Sancta and St Mary Major by private coach with a local guide.

A walking tour to Piazza Navona, the Pantheon, Trevi Fountain and the Spanish Steps with Vapour Trails staff member. There is also an optional guided tour of the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel and St Peter's Basilica with Guide (Cost approx £45.00 pp )

Mass arranged for the group in a Chapel in St Peter's Grotte  
Wednesday Papal Audience tickets if the Holy Father is in Rome  
Price per person in a twin share - £759.00  
Single Supplement £150 (Limited Availability) for 5 Nights  
Half Board accommodation at the Domus Carmelitana  
Please see Fr Gerry for a Booking Form

### *FOR YOUR PRAYERS*

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

Sunday: The Sick: Fr Stewart Foster. Fr Paul Dynan. Lily-Rose Robinson. Mary Stacey. 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.

Monday: The Sick: Audrey Northfield. Dennis Goodman. William Gough. Nancy Isaac. Adele Weatherley. Lisa Hughes. Philomma Antony. Emily Rose Gough. Christopher Carr. David Squires. and Pamela Emberson. Those who live in Blackthorn Road. Clements Hall Lane. Greensward Lane and Lascelles Gardens.

Tuesday: The Sick: Chris Godfrey. Sarah Knight. Anthony Igoe. Chris O'Shea. Edward Cunado. Patricia Spikin. Delf Williams. Jean King. Betty Allen. Joseph Merceica. Constance Longman. Ken Cropley. The people of Hullbridge Free Church and their Minister Revd Brian Gibson

Wednesday: The Sick: Chris Godfrey. 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: Jeannette Oatley. Mike Cross. Craig Perryman. 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: The recently departed: Ivan Breed. Patrick Foxwell. Sheila Harding and Roseanna Ashbrook. For those whose anniversaries fall this week Jennie Lyus. Baby Robinson. Gwendoline Grimes. Alan Nightingale. Violet Bailey. Hilda Snaith. Eileen Graffin. Colin Clapp. Ashley Gooding. Ivy Roud. George Boulter. Alan Tamsett. Stephen Lench and Victor Smith For 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. Katie Autton. Jim



# Mass Times and Intentions

Sat	8	5.30pm		The Holy Souls	Fr G
Sun	9	9.00am St Pius X	1st Sunday of Lent	Michael Nicholson RIP	C Boylan
		10.30am		Pro Populo	
Mon	10	7.30pm		The Proclamation of the Faith	Fr G
Tues	11	9.20am		Jennie Lyus RIP	VM
Weds	12	6.30am		Persecuted Christians	
Thurs	13	9.00am St Pius X		Michael Nicholson RIP	G Grob
Fri	14	9.00am St Pius X			
Sat	15	9.30am		Private Intention	
		5.30pm	2nd Sunday of Lent	Cepta Howard, Ita Ryan, Mary Jane Smith RIP	OR
Sun	16	9.00am St Pius X		Pro Populo	
		10.30am		Patricia Driscoll RIP	GP

*In preparation for Holy Week*



*Quiet Day*

*St Teresa's Church, Rochford*

*Sat April 12<sup>th</sup>*

*10.30 - 4.30*

*Addresses*

*Benediction at Noon*

*Opportunity for Confession*

*Bring a Packed Lunch*

*Drinks Provided*

