

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



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2nd Sunday of Lent

The Transfiguration is an extraordinary event, an anticipation of the resurrection.

A snapshot of Jesus' glory was revealed to the Apostles and for the first time they received a glimpse of His awesome divinity. This is a reminder to us that when we look at who Jesus really is we too can gain strength from Him to face our trials and know how necessary these are if we are to reach the Kingdom of God.

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 weekend we extend a warm welcome to Sr Mary Joseph from The Holy Family Sisters of the Needy . There will also be a second collection. Please be as generous as you can.



Last Friday it was **Lent Family Fast Day** - Envelopes are available at the back of the Church for y o u donations. Fasting is an

important part of Lent and it would be good if your giving reflected the amount you would have spent on your meal for this day.



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



Candlelit Mass - St Patrick's

Day on Monday 17th March at 7.30 pm. A peaceful and reflective time away from the stress of life as well as a time to give a little more of yourself to God during Lent.

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?



RCIA Our next meeting is Monday 24th 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.

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.

Thank you so much **Frances, Alice, Charlotte, Sophie, Aimee, Sophie, Kacper, George, Alice, Michelle & Rebecca** for organising such a wonderful Youth Mass last Sunday. Please

hold them all in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on June 8th.



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. It was great to see so many faces last week.



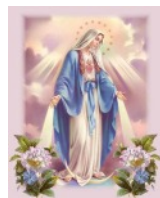
Coffee & Cake will be served after Mass by some of our Year 5 children from St Teresa's School.

Thank you Carys, Regan, Charlie, Gjorel and Lucy for being so fantastic last week.

NOTICES

The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable Adults is Mel Packer who can be contacted on : 01702 547954 or offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk

You will be very sorry to hear of the sudden death of Malvern Smith on Thursday morning following a fall. Our hearts go out to his wife Siobhan and their children Andrew, Siobhan, and Katherine. Please keep them in your prayers. Details about his funeral will be given as soon as they are finalised.



The Legion of Mary is holding its annual Acies ceremony (renewal of Promise) on Sunday 23rd March at Our Lady of Ransom, Rayleigh

commencing 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. -

or contact the school on 01376 513418 or email: admin@holycatholicprimary.essex.sch.uk

Dates for your Diary



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

Weds 9th 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



The Triple H Community Choir will be singing a programme of Choral Arrangements of music from the

60s & 70s on the evening of Saturday, 22th March at St Teresa's at 7.30. Tickets £7 Concessions £5 including refreshments from Denise Hazlewood 01702 201786 or triplehtickets@gmail.com

JOBS

Holy Family Catholic Primary School (Witham) seeks to employ a committed Catholic to the post of Deputy Head from September 2014. (Salary Range L8-L11). Closing date 24/03/2014. Interviews 23/04/14. For more details see Job scene



6th 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

12th 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.



14th 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.

6th 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.**

The Catholic Social Group - This is a new social group for young adults (students and young professionals) aged between 18-30. Their vision is to provide support and community as a group across the deanery. We are very fortunate that our parish will be represented by Veronica Van de Vyver . If you too would like to join then please see our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CatholicSocialGroup
The next meeting is Thursday 3rd April.



Pope Francis Tweets:
@ Pontifex

Lent is a good time for sacrificing. Let us deny ourselves something every day to help others.



Across - Appeal for Helpers

As the start of our season on 10th April, comes rushing towards us, I would like to make an appeal for helpers, chaplains and nurses to join our

pilgrimages. Without our helper teams we would not be able to give our VIPs the wonderful ACROSS experience. Our pilgrimages run from April - October. For details of these vacancies please see www.across.org.uk

Or call 01499 302715

St Teresa's Choir -Rehearsals for Easter

Friday 4th April - 8-9 pm

Saturday 5th April - 11 am - 12.30

Friday 11th April - 8 - 9pm

Good Friday, 18th April 8 - 9pm

Holy Saturday 19th April 5.30 - 7.30pm

Please do come along, it would be great to have a large number.

Heavens Road fm Catholic Radio, a new internet Radio, seeks enthusiastic people to help make programmes, techies to operate the Radio and administrators to hold it all together. Much can be done over the internet - they have people in 10 different dioceses contributing. Further info at <http://www.heavensroadfm.com/vols/> . Listen on www.heavensroadfm.com . Follow on Facebook Heavens Roadfm or twitter @HeavensRoadFM.

Worship Through Giving



Offertory Giving

1st Collections: 23rd Feb was £979.32 - £340 of which was Standing Orders.

2nd March was £1030.87 - £340 of which was Standing Orders.

9th March was £881.04 - £340 of which was Standing Orders.

2nd Collection for Catholic Education Service was £196.33

Collection for Across Jumbulance was £305.84



St Teresa's Pilgrimage to Rome -8th Nov 2014 - 13th 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 Grotto 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. Anthony George. Emily Rose Gough. Christopher Carr. David Squires. and Pamela Emberson. Those who live in Blenheim Close. Clements Hall Way. Greensways and Leamington Road.

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 Rochford Community Church and their Ministers David Clayton. Geoff Durham. Mike Ewers and Steve Liberty.

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: For those whose anniversaries fall this week George Boulter. Alan Tamsett. Stephen Lench. Victor Smith. Ann Bownes. Anne Cremin. Len & Hazel Giles. Maureen Cleary. Catherine Cook. Charles Cook. and Eileen Paris. 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 Aulton. Jim Bourne. Terry Purton. Gareth Lewis. Bartly Igoe. and all those in hospital.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sat	15	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	
Mon	17	7.30pm	St Patrick, Patron saint of Ireland	Ints Anthony George	X&L A	
Tues	18	9.20am		Mgr Canon Adrian Arrowsmith	FACT	
Weds	19	6.30am	St Joseph, Husband of the BVM	Ints Parish Evangelism Group		
Thurs	20	9.00am St Pius X		Fr Geoffrey Webb	FACT	
Fri	21	9.00am St Pius X		Ints Sarah Autton		
Sat	22	9.30am				
		5.30pm	3rd Sunday of Lent	For the Propagation of the Faith		
Sun	23	9.00am St Pius X				
		10.30am		Pro Populo		

In preparation for Holy Week

Quiet Day

St Teresa's Church, Rochford

Sat April 12th

10.30 - 4.30



Addresses

Benediction at Noon

Opportunity for Confession

Bring a Packed Lunch

Drinks Provided

