

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



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Palm Sunday

Today marks the beginning of Holy week and we celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.. Less than one week later Jesus is nailed to the cross by the very same people who greeted him with such joy and excitement.

As you accompany Jesus on his final journey to Jerusalem will you stay with him or abandon him? We are no different to the people who demanded Jesus' death.,. It was for us all that he emptied himself, and for the sake of all people of every time and place.

During Holy week we should be asking ourselves whether we accept the challenge to become repentant or will we avoid the discomfort of God's will leading us where God wants us to be instead of where we want to be.

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

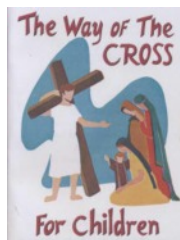
This Saturday we welcome Julia Lamb as she is received into full communion with the Catholic Church. We offer her our love and prayers on what is a joyous day for her. Congratulations and welcome Julia!



14th April - Ecumenical Stations of the Cross at St Teresa's Church at 8 pm with all the local churches Please do make every effort to come and share this special evening.

Refreshments will be served afterwards.

16th April -The Mass of Chrism - 7pm
Brentwood Cathedral. If you've never celebrated it, you are missing one of the most solemn and significant liturgies of our church. Bishop Thomas will bless the oil of catechumens, the oil of the sick, and the oil of chrism. Everyone is most welcome.



Stations of the Cross for Children will take place on Good Friday at 10 am at St Teresa's . Fr Gerry leads the children through the Stations helping them to understand the passion, death and Resurrection of

our Lord. It is done in a wonderful way with the children playing an active part in acting out the journey taken by Jesus. Please do make every effort to bring your children to this.



RCIA - Please do keep **Nicola Birkett, Julia Lamb, Erin Williams, Cindy Johnson and Rebecca Clark** in your prayers as they come ever closer to being received into full communion with the Catholic Church this **E a s t e r** .

Confirmation - There will be a meeting after 10.30 Mass on the 13th April for all **C o n f i r m a t i o n** candidates. Please also note that the retreat at Walsingham House is now confirmed for the

weekend of 2-4th May. Please keep our



candidates **Frances, Alice, Charlotte, Sophie, Aimee, Sophie, Kacper, George, Alice, Michelle & Rebecca** in your prayers.

First Holy Communion - the next meeting will be Sunday 27th April 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. It was great to see so many faces last week.



Coffee & Cake - Meeting together after Mass is a fantastic way for us to chat together, share news and meet parishioners we may not already know. A coffee morning rota is at the back of the church and it would be great to see a few more people signing up . It is not hard work, everything is there for you (apart from the cakes) and you would be carrying out such a great role. Thank You!

NOTICES



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

offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk



Easter Bonnet competition . If you would like to enter just bring your Easter bonnet to Mass with you on Easter Sunday and

judging will take place afterwards. Good Luck everyone!

A Message from the Tamil Catholic Chaplaincy - A Tamil Mass will be said every 4th Sunday of the months at St Helen's Church, Westcliff at 12.30 pm. In addition to this there will be a special Easter Sunday Mass on 20th April at 12.30 pm.

Mass for Migrants: the annual Mass for Migrants, in honour of St Joseph the Worker, will be held on Bank Holiday Monday, 5th May in Westminster Cathedral, London. Mass begins at 11am and will be preceded by a banner procession at 10.30am. If you require more information please contact Davina Bolt 01277 265234 email davina@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

“Let us Entertain You 2”



A Candlelit evening of song and music presented and performed by St Bernard's Chamber Choir at Our Lady Of Ransom Church, Rayleigh - Friday 7th May at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5.00 Under 11's Free . Refreshments will be available after the Performance. For Tickets please call Jean Marshall on 07790675854

Spring Youth Gather - The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service would like to invite anyone in school **years 7-9** to join us for a day of outdoor activities at



Stubbers Adventure Centre in Upminster on 17th May. The cost of the day is just £20 and includes all activities. More information can be

found at www.bcys.net/events or call 01277 265286 - Application Forms are at the back of Church.

St Teresa's Choir - Rehearsals for Easter



Good Friday, 18th April 8

- 9pm

Holy Saturday 19th April 5.30 - 7.30pm

Please do come along, all welcome!

Parish Evangelism Group

In response to our Holy Father Pope Francis our parish is answering the call to embark on a new chapter of evangelisation. With the help of the Holy Spirit and Our Lady we want to be a

church which goes forth , a church which spreads the joy of the Gospel to all



those around us.

Our meeting on the 2nd April gave us an opportunity to look at how we can help those around us feel welcome within our parish community.

We also spoke at length about the need for us all to grow spiritually and to be able to respond to God's love more fully in our lives. Tracey Heddon shared with us a wonderful vision she has for our parish and plans for this are now underway. Tracey will be revealing these plans over the next couple of weeks. We ask that you pray that the Holy Spirit pours over each and everyone of us allowing us to answer God's call to share our faith and ultimately His love.

HUNGRY FOR CHANGE

Frugal Lunch - A big Thank You to everyone who supported our Frugal Lunch on Sunday.

It was an amazing team effort raising £300 for CAFOD. Thanks Julie, Elaine, Simon, Ruth, Veronica, Pat and Fr Gerry who helped so much on the day. Your were all fabulous!

A thought from the Legio Mariae: *'It is part of your vocation to shout the Gospel from the rooftops, not by your words, but by your life.'*

Dates for your Diary

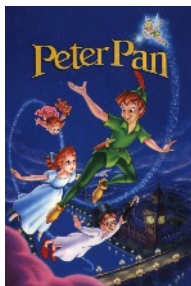
28th April - Candlelit Mass at 7.30pm

1st May - Button Art with GALS in the Parish Centre at 7.30 pm

6th July - Parish

Garden Party Our theme this year will be 'Peter Pan' with an emphasis on having fun and not growing up. This is a big and important fundraiser and social event for the parish all help would be

greatly appreciated. Our next meeting will take place at 8pm on Wednesday 23rd April. Look forward to seeing you all there.



Church Cleaning

Next Saturday we will be cleaning the Church ready for the Easter Vigil. There is so much to clean and we need as many helpers as possible. Please come and offer your help. More hands really do



make light work!

Worship Through Giving



1st Collections for 30th March was £1031.52 - £340 of which was Standing Orders.

A little reminder that all Easter Offerings are offered up to Fr Gerry and make up part of what is a very small annual salary. Please be as generous as you can.. It is always very much appreciated.

Offertory Giving



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 Bradley Way, Cornwall Gardens, Hainault Avenue and Lever Lane.

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 Rockdene Christian Fellowship and their Minister John Stanton.

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: Julia Lamb, Alain Kennedy-Fern, 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: Rita Bolton, and Victor Beach. For those whose anniversaries fall this week Ray Asciak, William Bailham, Mary Caunt, Nicholas Hartigan, Ashley Fort, Henry Cooney, Charles Devlin, Joan Hewlett, Helen Roe, Christopher Eva, Phyliss James, William O'Brien, Patrick Reilly, Peter Budgen, and Michael Gormley. Our Student Priests: Rick Fernandez, Simon Augustus-Payne and Paschal Uche.

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

Mass Times and Intentions

Sat	12	5.30pm	Palm Sunday	Ints Julia Lamb	
Sun	13	9.00am St Pius		Joan Grant RIP	The
		10.30am		Rita Bolton RIP	LoM
Fig Monday	14	7.30pm	Fig Monday Mass		
		8.00pm	Stations of the Cross for all Christians		
Temple Tuesday	15	9.20am	Temple Tuesday Mass	Douglas Gullick RIP	MG
Spy Wednesday	16	6.30am	Spy Wednesday Mass		
		7.00pm Chrism Mass at the Cathedral			
Maundy Thursday	17	8.00pm	Maundy Thursday Mass		
			Watch until Midnight		
Good Friday	18	10:00 AM	Childrens' Stations of the Cross		
		3.00pm	Good Friday Liturgy of the Passion		
Holy Saturday	19	9.30am	Holy Saturday Morning Prayer Blessing of Easter Food		
		8.00pm	Easter Vigil		
Easter Sunday	20	9.00am St Pius	Easter Day	Pro Populo	
		10.30am		James & Sidney Watkins RIP	SB
Mon	21				
Tues	22	9.20am			
Weds	23	9.20am			
Thurs	24	9.00am St Pius X			
Fri	25	No Mass Today			
Sat	26	9.30am			
		5.30pm	Divine Mercy Sunday	Ron Condon RIP	T&MH
Sun	27	9.00am St Pius X		Pro Populo	
		10.30am		Ivan van de Vyver, Toribia Ballesteros and Rudolpho Quinones RIP	F&S vdv