

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



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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The Cross is a sign of glory and shows the extent to which God loves us and how far He will go to give himself to us. We exalt Christ's cross whenever we freely take it up. The Cross is not so heavy that you cannot carry it. There is no burden that you and He cannot carry together. Carry it with humility and the faith that this unending event brings and your lives will be blessed with the fulfilment you crave.

Wishing you every blessing.

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.



Congratulations to **Pamela & John Emberson** who celebrate their 47<sup>th</sup> Wedding

Anniversary this weekend.



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** every **Wednesday** at 2pm.

Come and spend just one hour with our Lord in prayer and reflection before you collect your children from school. It will be the best hour of your day. **Please note change of day.**

**This Monday at 8pm** we will be continuing with our series on the Sacraments and this week we will be looking at the Sacrament of Holy Orders. These evenings are very informal and a



wonderful way to meet together and learn more about our faith. We also ask that you bring a plate of food for a shared meal .

**Rebecca Ley** is on a mission to purchase new candle holders and will be serving coffee after Mass on Saturday and after 10.30 on Sunday to raise money. Please try and support her.

## Next week is Home Mission Sunday 2014

I am confident that every one of us will know at least one person who has lost their way and for their own personal reasons become lapsed in their faith. I am therefore asking you all to help me reach out respectfully and with joy to these people and invite one person we know to attend Mass with us on this Sunday.

Please join us after for a delicious shared lunch and meet friend old and new. Look forward to seeing you all there.



A list is up at the back of each church for you to

note down what dish you would like to bring.

There will be a second collection after each Mass, please be as generous as you can.



### Confirmation -

Thank you to all those who have expressed their wish to receive this Sacrament next year. It is still not too late! If you are in Year 9

or above please send Fr Gerry a short email to let him know you wish to be confirmed . The first meeting for parents and candidates is **this Sunday** after 10.30 Mass.

### First Holy Communion

**2015** - If you have a child who is in Year 3 or above who would like to make their First Holy



Communion next year please see Fr Gerry for the necessary forms.

Preparation for this Sacrament will

commence on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October** after 10.30 Mass and this meeting will be for both children and parents.



**RCIA** -If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic or would simply like to know more about our faith then these sessions are for you. First session will be

**6<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm.** If you are already a catholic I also urge you to come along and

support those preparing to be received into our church.

## NOTICES



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

**offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk**

**Do you have questions on living your Catholic faith?** You are warmly invited to attend an evening to ask these questions including those on Moral Issues and Catholic Social Teaching, Theology and Scripture, The Church and its history and Our experienced panel members will help you! Join us on Wednesday 24 September 2014 at Our Lady and St George Parish Hall, Shernhall Street, Walthamstow, London E17 9HU from 7.30 p.m. No charge and wine and nibbles are provided. Further details from the parish on 020 8520 5877 or The Commission for Evangelisation and Formation on 01277 265289.

**Day of Recollection in preparation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Centenary of St Teresa of Avila on 27<sup>th</sup> September.**

The local community of Lay Carmelites invite you to join them on a journey of exploration, reflection and prayer at Our Lady of Lourdes parish centre. The day will commence at 10.15 with tea/coffee and our guest speaker will be Fr Michael Cox O.Carm



**The Cardboard Box Challenge-**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October at Southend High School for

Boys. Can you survive 12 hours under the stars? Join HARP'S sponsored sleep out. From 8pm - 8am with music, theatre and comedy. £10 registration fee and tea/coffee and breakfast included. Pre - register o9nly due to limited space at [www.harpsouthend.org.uk](http://www.harpsouthend.org.uk) or by calling 01702 415834



**St Teresa's & St Pius X Retreat to Abbotswick 4<sup>th</sup>- Abbotswick House of Prayer is set in 24 acres of beautiful grounds and is a place to**

**help you find peace, tranquility and personal space to pray or just be.....**

The theme of our retreat will be 'Healing' and we are delighted to announce that **Bishop Alan will be saying Mass for us at 11am**. This is a day retreat and an amazing way to start your weekend. Places are going quickly so if you would like a place please contact Tracey on 01702 202267. The cost is just £12 per person and a packed lunch is required. If you would like further info please call Chris on 07525248298



### Cleaning jobs sought

- A parishioner at St Teresa's is seeking cleaning work to raise sufficient funds to go to Lourdes . If you or anyone you know is aware of anyone requiring an honest and trustworthy cleaner please call Lorraine on 07948 139834. Thank You!

### New Children's Centre Vacancy - Assistant Family Worker (35hrs)

The Assistant Family worker will work as part of the team to provide direct service provision to children and families primarily through universal activities. 01702 541460

## The Wellspring Tearoom

St. Teresa's Church Narthex  
Tuesday & Friday, 10 - 4pm

We are non-profitmaking ~ existing only to serve the kingdom of God in our parish.

All are most welcome . . .

'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me.'

(John 7:3)



### A Thought from The Legion of Mary:

"God never hurries. There are no deadlines against which he must work. Only to know this is to quiet our spirits and relax our nerves." (A. W. Tozer)

## Future Dates for Your Diary

**20<sup>th</sup> September- Altar Servers Club at 10am.** *If you wish to serve it is very important that you attend these sessions for support and training*



**21<sup>st</sup> September** - Home Mission Sunday. *We will be having a shared lunch in the Parish Centre. Lets see if we can all bring just one friend/relative back to church.*

**3<sup>rd</sup> October** - Harvest Fast Day

**4/5<sup>th</sup> October** - Parish Retreat to Abbotswick

**5<sup>th</sup> October** - First Holy Communion Course begins

**6<sup>th</sup> October** - RCIA begins

**1<sup>st</sup> November** - St Teresa's Church Christmas Craft Fair 1pm until 4pm followed by **fireworks** at 7pm. *This is always a great family event. If you would like to hire a stall for the craft fair please contact Debbie on 07779414736*

**.16<sup>th</sup> November** - Welcome Mass for our new reception children at St Teresa's followed by a coffee morning. *Please do join us. Please note change of date.*

**29<sup>th</sup> November** - Parish Christmas do and fundraiser. This is our big fundraiser please do put this date in you diaries now. Come and enjoy cuisine



from around the world as we transform the parish centre into a number of mini-restaurants celebrating the many different nationalities we are blessed to have in our parish. Thank You **A planning meeting to discuss details will be held on Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Oct at 8pm. All very welcome.**

**13<sup>th</sup> December** - The 'Drummonds' delicious Hotpot Supper

**6<sup>th</sup> June** - Parish trip to Epsom

**5<sup>th</sup> July**- Summer Party in the Presbytery. Here is a little clue on our theme!



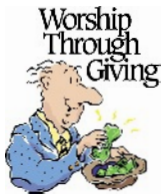
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**Brentwood Catholic Youth Service** are pleased to announce that bookings for World Youth Day 2016 are now being taken!

The location is Krakow (Poland) - 22<sup>nd</sup> July - 2<sup>nd</sup> August. For more information email [INFO@BCYS.NET](mailto:INFO@BCYS.NET) or go to [WWW.BCYS.NET](http://WWW.BCYS.NET)

**GODthefather: an offer you can't refuse**

### Offertory Giving



1<sup>st</sup> Collection for 17<sup>th</sup> Aug was £892.99(£340 S/O)

1<sup>st</sup> Collection for 24<sup>th</sup> Aug was £864.40 (£340 S/O)

Our parish needs £1600 a week

Sadly offerings are down and your parish needs your help. Could you increase your giving just a little? Please be as generous as you can. Thank you

If you are a UK taxpayer, the value of your gift can be increased by 27% under the Gift Aid scheme at no extra cost. Please gift aid all donations, it makes a huge difference.

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## Mass Times at St Teresa's & St Pius X

Sat	13	5.30pm	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Pro Populo	
Sun	14	9.00am St Pius X		Malvern Smith RIP	S M
		10:30		Ints Pamela & John Emberson	
Mon	15	19:30	Our Lady of Sorrows	Bill Gray RIP	C& V G
Tues	16	9:20am	Ss Cornelius, P, and Cyprian, Bp, Mm		
Weds	17	9:20am		May & William Catling RIP	M G
Thurs	18	9.00am St Pius X		Patricia Holohan RIP	E& TS
Fri	19	No Mass Today			
Sat	20	9.30am			
		5.30pm	25th Sunday of the Year		
Sun	21	9.00am St Pius X		Clare & Ian Chandler 40th Wedding Anniversay	C& IC
		10:30		Elizabeth McFadden RIP	JM CF

### *FOR YOUR PRAYERS*

Daily: for the building up of the Faith in our Parish: For those taking exams.

**Sunday:** The Sick: Barry Atherton. Jonathan Somervell. Fr Stewart Foster. Fr Paul Dynan. Lily-Rose Robinson. Mary Stacey. 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: David Pearce. Dennis Goodman. William Gough. Russell Short. Adele Weatherley. Lisa Hughes. Anthony George. Emily Rose Gough. Christopher Carr. David Squires. and Pamela Emberson. Those who live in Spa Court. Uplands Road. The Candlemakers and Wheatfields.

**Tuesday:** The Sick: Sarah Knight. Chris O'Shea. Edward Cunado. Jean King. Betty Allen. Joseph Merceica. Constance Longman. Ken Cropley. The people of St Thomas of Canterbury Hullbridge and their Ministers Rev Brenda Wallace and Rev Sue Adams

**Wednesday:** The Sick: Chris Godfrey. Paul Clarke. Maureen Savage. Ethan Adlum. Delia Cheek. William

McArthur. Margaret Hennessy. Sarah Fisher. Ciaran Freal. Angele De Can. Marjorie Jay. Cassie Thompson. Samantha Robinson & Sianne Robinson. The Queen and her ministers. that they may govern us wisely.

**Thursday:** The Sick: Ian Chandler. Julia Lamb. Alain Kennedy-Fern. Jeannette Oatley. Mary Walmsley. Mike Cross. Craig Perryman. Dorian Churcher. Louise Knight. Ann Moore. Joyce Hall. Len Smith. Sarah Jane Lovibond Jackson. Dee Fage.

**Friday:** The recently departed: Doris Fisher. Edward Roach. Nancy Isaac & Derek Thorn. For those whose anniversaries fall this week William Catling. Douglas Gullick. Mary Pike. Catherine Whittlesey. Ernie Greenburgh. Ann McGowan. Niall McNamee. Kitty King. George Hanagan and Anny Kuchly. Our Student Priests: Rick. Patrick. David. Gary. Paschal & Eamonn.

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