

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



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25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer for Faith Rediscovery

Loving and merciful Father, we know and believe that you are near and are attentive to our every need. We bring before you now all those we hold dear, who are distant from the family of faith, the Body of Christ..

We ask in the name of Jesus, Your Son., that you bless them abundantly. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, Use us to reach out to them in a way that they feel free to respond. May we all seek and discover afresh the joy of faith and life in Christ, and always remember that your ways are not our ways, that the last will be first, and the first last.

Amen



**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 Claire & Ian Chandler who celebrate their Ruby Wedding Anniversary. Sending our Love and Prayers to you both at this very

special time.

Fr Gerry will be travelling to Lourdes on **Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> September until 5<sup>th</sup> October.** Fr Gerry will be taking with him the prayers of all our parish as he leads this Pilgrimage for Across. Please do keep him in your prayers too. If you would like a Mass offered in Lourdes

please take a special Mass envelope and return to Fr Gerry before Thursday.



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** every **Wednesday** at 2 pm. 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. **This week I urge you**

**all to come and pray for our Christian brothers and sisters being persecuted daily for their faith. Please pray sincerely for the deliverance of the people of Northern Iraq. Please pray for the children being martyred . We need to make a special time of prayer for this. We need to stand in the gap for our fellow Christians.**

**This Sunday is Home Mission**

**Sunday** and Pope Francis has called for us all to help reach out respectfully and with joy to people who have lost their way in their faith.



Please join us after in the Parish Centre for a delicious shared lunch and meet friends old

and new. Look forward to seeing you all there.

**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. We will begin our preparation on the 5<sup>th</sup> October after 10.30 Mass. I am pleased to confirm that our retreat has been booked and is the weekend of 7-9 November. This is a very special part of the preparation so please return your forms as soon as possible. Thank You.

**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.



St Teresa's & St Pius X Retreat to Abbotswick 4th October 10.30am - 5pm.

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 . There are only 15 spaces left so don't delay. Book your place now by calling or texting Tracey on 07975964726. The cost is just £12 per person and a packed lunch is required. We will be making our own way there and car-share is available. An evening meal and drinks is booked at a local pub after for all those interested.

## NOTICES



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

**offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk**

**PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING** at SION Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, will take place on Sunday 28th September, 7.30pm to 9pm. All welcome.

**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

**'Abbotswick Retreat - St. Teresa of Avila 13th - 17th October 2014':** Please join us for a 5 day retreat led by Fr Matthew Blake OCD, to discover more about St Teresa of Avila on the occasion of the 500th anniversary of her birth. Residential guests are welcome to arrive on Sunday 12th October from 5pm with the retreat commencing on Monday morning or alternatively, attend daily from 10:00am. Residential guests £250pp / non-residential attendance £175pp with all meals and refreshments provided. Spaces are limited and booking is essential. For more information, please visit our website [www.info@abbotswick.org](http://www.info@abbotswick.org) or email [info@abbotswick.org](mailto:info@abbotswick.org), alternatively, please call Abbotswick on 01277 373959.'



**A Day With Mary - Westminster Cathedral**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

**9.45 am - Entry**  
Procession of Our Lady of Fatima

**10.30 am - Mass**

**11.30 am** - Consecration of the Parish to the Immaculate. The Five Joyful Mysteries

**12.15 pm** - Lunch

**1.20 pm** - Exposition, Sermon, Meditations and Procession

**4.45 pm** - Tea Break



**Pastoral Administrator** required at **St Bernard's High School**  
**8.30am** -  
**4.30pm** (with flexibility to

work additional hours when required)

Term Time plus one week (usually last week in the summer holidays) Band 3:17 - £15,062 pa (actual) This is a senior post requiring excellent computer skills and high level of confidentiality. For further details please see our website:

[www.stbernardswestcliff.org.uk](http://www.stbernardswestcliff.org.uk) or contact Mrs Sue Clancy on 01702 608005

Closing Date: Monday 22 September 2014, 9.00am

## 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)

**If you would like to visit the Wellspring but are unable to get there, Dave Hatton (a parishioner) has kindly offered to do**

**free pick ups and drop offs. Please call him on 545191/07788271012 to arrange a life.**

**A Thought from The Legion of Mary:**  
*'Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.'* (St.Catherine of Siena)

## **Future Dates for Your Diary**

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

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

**5<sup>th</sup> October** - Confirmation begins

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

**1st 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

**3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30** - Candlelit Mass

**.16<sup>th</sup> November** - Welcome Mass for our new reception children at St Teresa's followed by a coffee morning.



**29<sup>th</sup> November** - Parish Christmas do and our big fundraiser. Come and enjoy cui-

sine 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 tery. Here is a clue on our



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**Shrines of France Pilgrimage Meeting**  
**27<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm in St Helens Parish Hall**

**St Helens Parish** - By air visiting Ars, Paray-le-Monial, Nevers, Rocamadour &

Lourdes 6th April - 12th April 2015  
Please ring Sue Baillie on 07979 746707 for further information of this amazing pilgrimage. Don't miss this opportunity. £750 per person based (Deposit secures place) based on two sharing (price includes air flights, hotel accommodation in Nevers, Rocamadour and Lourdes, Luxury coach travel) under the spiritual direction of Fr. Joseph Whisstock.

### **The Faith Store**

Please remember to donate all your good quality donations to our fantastic church shop. The shop is run entirely by volunteers - would you like to join the team? It is a truly worthwhile way to spend a few hours of your time. If you can help please speak to either Phil Capon or pop into the shop. Thank you!

**Is God a verb or a noun?**



### **Offeratory Giving**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection for 31<sup>st</sup> Aug was £852.66(£340 S/O)

1<sup>st</sup> Collection for 7<sup>th</sup> Sept £904.62 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	20	5.30pm	25th Sunday of the Year Home Mission Sunday	Sarah Kitchens RIP	DK
Sun	21	9.00am St Pius X		Clare & Ian Chandler 40th Wedding Anniversay	C& IC
		10:30		Elizabeth McFadden RIP	JM EF
Mon	22	7.30pm		Ints Andrew Harris	CC
Tues	23	9:20 am	St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Pr	Rev. John Gordon RIP	
Weds	24	9:20am			
Thurs	25	9.00am St Pius X		Eucharistic Service	
Fri	26	No Mass Today			
Sat	27	9.30am	St Vincent de Paul, Pr	Eucharistic Service	
		5.30pm			
Sun	28	9.00am St Pius X	26th Sunday of the Year		
		10:30:00		Rita Bolton RIP	AB

### *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 Road. Vaughan Close. The Chase & Wheatley Close.

**Tuesday:** The Sick: Sarah Knight.. Chris O'Shea. Edward Cunado. Jean King. Betty Allen. Joseph Merceica. Constance Longman. Ken Cropley. The people of Hockley & Rochford Methodist Church and their Ministers Revd Phillip Warrey & Revd. Bryan Tolhurst. **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. 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 : Nancy Isaac and Derek Thorn . For those whose anniversaries fall this week Anny Kucly. Doreen Steward. Vitolina Price. Eileen Smith. Lee Ronnie. Hazel Parisio. Marie Louise Nathan. William Challis. Ann Davis. Fr Gordan Godfrey & Ita Ryan. 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.