

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



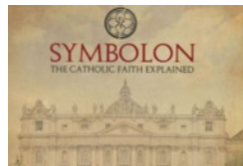
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The Baptism of the Lord

Jesus' Baptism was a defining moment in his life and marked the beginning of his public ministry. Our Baptism should be a defining moment in our lives too and we should take time to reflect on the significance our Baptism has on our lives. The rediscovery of the value of one's baptism is the basis of the missionary commitment of every Christian and we should proclaim our faith always, regardless of the consequences. The dreadful murders at Charlie Hebdo should never prevent us from speaking the truth.

Wishing you every blessing,
Fr Gerry

Wishing you all a very warm welcome to



RCIA - Our next meeting will be held on the **12th January 2015 at 8pm** .

our Parish today, especially those who are a visitor. If you have any questions about our liturgical life and the many wonderful parish groups we have please do ask .

If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic or would simply like to know more about our faith then these sessions are for you. Why not come along to this meeting? **What better way is there to start the new year then allowing yourselves the opportunity of not only deepening your faith but sharing it with others too!** Everyone is **very** welcome, especially if you are already a Catholic. Why not arrive at 7.30 and join us for Mass first. **First Holy Communion parents please do**



Next Sunday there will be a second collection for Pax Christi. Their work is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Rooted in Christianity they work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

continue to attend as it is a fantastic course and would benefit your children wishing to make this important Sacrament greatly.



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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - every wed at 2pm
Come and spend one hour with the Lord in Prayer.



OPEN YOUR HEART TO HIS LOVE.
God loves YOU personally; he wants the best for YOU. If you let this truth penetrate your hearts, it will transform you.

First Holy Communion

2015 - The next meeting for children preparing to make their First Holy Communion is Sunday 18th January after 10.30 Mass in the church. Please do keep all our young children and their catechists in your



prayers. **Parents please continue to join us on Monday nights at 8pm as we continue with our Symbolon Course.**



Confirmation - Please note that our next meeting will be on the **11th January** after 10.30 Mass in the narthex. Please do keep our young people preparing to receive this Sacrament in your prayers.



Parish Rosary

Group-Our next Parish Rosary Group meets on the **15th January at 7.30pm.** We very much look forward to welcoming you all and promise you a peaceful and reflective evening. If

we but knew how powerful this prayer is we would never want to put our rosary beads down.

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 at Abbotswick House of Prayer, Brentwood.



Celebrant - Fr Eamonn Power

Date: Wed 21st January

Time: 2.30pm.

All are welcome!
Please call

01277 373959 for more information.'

Do you have questions on living your Catholic faith? You are warmly invited to attend an evening to ask questions including those on Moral Issues and Catholic Social Teaching, Theology and Scripture, The Church and its history and The Church in today's world or any question you may have always wanted to find the answer to..... Our experienced panel members will help you! Join us on Wednesday 21 January 2015 at St Joseph the Worker Parish Hall, Highview Crescent, Hutton CM13 1BJ from 7.30 p.m. No charge and wine and nibbles are provided. Further details from the parish on 01277 221917 or The Commission for Evangelisation and Formation on 01277 265289.

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is holding its annual Valentine's Gala Dinner

at Stockbrook Golf and Country Club, Billericay on Friday 13th February.

Tickets for this Black-Tie event are £50 per person to include a



drinks reception, 3-course dinner and dancing.

Places are limited and we would recommend you book early in order to secure your tickets. Please contact Julie Abbott on 01268 784544 / 07912277413 or jabbott@bccs.org.uk

Marriage Care We are now fully operational with two counsellors available for any couples who might be experiencing difficulties with their relationship. (Call 0800 389 3801) .

We still need a volunteer to help with the presenting of the "Marriage Preparation" day course to engaged couples 2 or 3 times a year. Full training will be given. Please contact David Boyle on 01268 775217 or southend.admin@marriagecare.org For more information visit www.marriagecare.org.uk



St Teresa's & St Pius X 10 Day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 'Following in the Footsteps

of Jesus' Spiritual Director: Fr Gerry

13th - 22nd October 2015 from London Heathrow, ¾ star hotels, Half board only £1,169 - 10 days/9nights. Application forms are available at the back of church.



The Wellspring Tearoom St Teresa's Church Narthex .

Tuesday & Friday, 10-4pm.

We are non-profit making 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 but unable to get there please call Dave Hatton on 545191/007788271012 to arrange a lift.

Situations Vacant

Brentwood Religious Education Centre -



Vacancy for a temporary secretary (28 hours per week) Further details available from Mgr George Stokes/Sr Jude rsm at Cathedral House Ingrave Road Brentwood. Tel.01277 265285/01277 265284.

Email:jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org/Mgr GeorgeStokes@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Closing date: Friday 16th January 2015. Please advise family and friends of this opportunity.



The Faith Store - vacancies exist for volunteers to work in this wonderful shop which serves **our** church.

Job Description - To help sort donations, serve and assist customers, be a beacon of light for our faith and a friendly face to every person who is led through the Faith Store doors.

Job Requirements: A desire to serve our Lord

To Apply: Please call Phil Capon on 07855108547

Future Dates for Your Diary -2015



21st January - Ecumenical Meal at **Antica Roma** to mark Christian Unity Week. Tickets are now on sale.

£11.95 per person for two courses. Please sign up at the back of Church. A deposit of £5 per person is needed. If you have booked could you please write your choice of starter/main course next to your name Thank You.

25th January 2015 - Organ Recital in Aid of Iraqi Christians in Need (ICIN) supporting refugee families in Northern Iraq. St Teresa's Church @5pm. Works by Boellmann, Messiaen, Schubert, Vienne & Widor. Free Admission - Retiring collection

1st March - Youth Mass led by our Confirmation candidates followed by bacon rolls. Please do support our young people.

9th May - First Holy Communion

10th June - Confirmation with Bishop Alan

5th July - Parish Garden Party - This is our annual summer party and we are once again looking forward to welcoming you all for a fun afternoon. This year our theme is Alice in Wonderland!



Church Cleaners

St Teresa's still desperately needs volunteers to help keep our church clean. This is such a rewarding role and the more people who volunteer the less work there will be. Please do sign up at the back of church or speak to Bridget Smith. Thank you SO much.



A Thought from The Legion of Mary:
"May your Creed be for you as a mirror. Look at yourself in it, to see if you believe everything you say you believe. And rejoice in your faith each day." St. Augustine

Offertory Giving

Worship
Through
Giving



1st Collection for 14th Dec was 868.21 (£305 - Standing Orders)

1st Collection for 21st December was £1164.24 (£305 - Stranding Orders)

Our parish needs £1600 a week

Everything we own and everything we have comes from God. So, when we give, we simply offer him a very small portion of all the abundance he has already given to us. Giving is an expression of our thankfulness and praise to God. It comes from a heart of worship that recognizes that everything we give already belongs to him.

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Mass Times at St Teresa's & St Pius X

Sat	10	5.30pm		Bob Allison RIP	
Sun	11	9.00am St Pius X	The Baptism of the Lord	Pro Populo	
		10.30am		Doris Qusted RIP	P&JE
Mon	12	19:30:00		Ints Patrick Reilly	L&B 5
Tues	13	09:20:00	St Hilary, Bishop, Doctor		
Weds	14	09:20:00			
Thurs	15	9.00am St Pius X		Ints Sheila & Frederick Van der Vyver	L&B 5
Fri	16	No Mass Today			
Sat	17	09:30:00	St Antony, Abbot		
		17:30:00		Pro Populo	
Sun	18	9.00am St Pius X	2nd Sunday of the Year		
		10:30:00		Ints Mary Gullick	L&B 5

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Daily: That in our Parish many hearts may be set on fire with love for Jesus:

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, Derek Steward. The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

Monday: The Sick: Alan Gunn, Brett Kelly, Marjorie Jay, Cassie Thompson, David Pearce, William Gough, Adele Weatherley, Andy Dawes, Anthony George, Emily Rose Gough, Christopher Carr, and David Squires. Those who live in Albert Jones Court, Brinkworth Close, Doggetts Chase & Harrow Close.

Tuesday: The Sick: Ian Chandler, Julia Lamb, Sarah Knight, Chris O'Shea, Edward Cunado, Betty Allen, Joseph Merceica, Constance Longman, Chris Godfrey, Paul Clarke. For the people of Rochford Community Church and their Ministers David Clayton, Geoff Durham, Mike Ewers & Steve Liberty.

Wednesday: The Sick: Ethan Adlum, Delia Cheek, William McArthur, Margaret Hennessy, Sarah Fisher, Ciaran Freel, Angele De Can, The Queen and her ministers, that they may govern us wisely.

Thursday: The Sick: Alain Kennedy-Fern, Mark Shepherd, Jeannette Oatley, Mary Walmsley, Mike Cross, Craig Perryman, Dorian Churcher, Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Len Smith, Sarah Jane Lovibond Jackson, Dee Fage.

Friday: The recently departed: Derek King, Terry Barton, Dr Brezina & Tony Rimmer. For those whose anniversaries fall this week, Jackie Hartnett, John Nagle, Mary Parisio, Doris Boulter, Patrick Gibbons, Joseph Victor Nathan, Geoffrey Cook, Moira Lock, Elizabeth Reilly, Mary Milne, Tim O'Driscoll, Joyce Ryan, Mary Ross & Family Trinder. Our Student Priests: Rick, Patrick, David, Gary, Paschal & Eamonn.

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