

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



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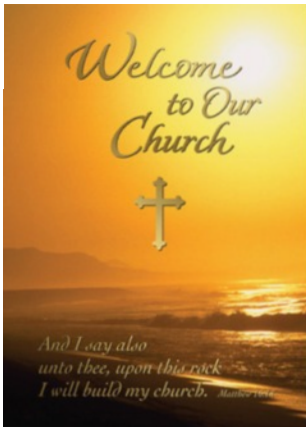
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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel we see the people naturally gathering around Jesus. It is as if his presence naturally draws people just as he draws us together today. It is noteworthy that devils are those which scatter and Jesus casts them out from the midst of these meetings. Wherever we see division we can be sure that the devil is at work. Wherever we see unity and peace we can see the hand of Christ. May the peace of Christ touch your hearts and lives this coming week.

Wishing you every blessing,
Fr Gerry



Wishing you all a very warm welcome to 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 .

Please stay and meet with your parish family after Mass and enjoy a coffee and a chat.

Siobhan Smith RIP - Please pray for our dear departed sister Siobhan whose requiem Mass will be held at St Teresa's Church on Tuesday 10th February at 12.15pm. All welcome.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

RCIA Our next meeting will be held on the **9th February 2015 at 8pm**. . If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic or would simply like to know more about our faith then these sessions are for you. Everyone is **very** welcome, especially if you are already a Catholic. **Why not arrive at 7.30 and join us for Mass first?**



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

children and their catechists in your prayers.



Confirmation - Our Confirmandi have kindly offered to lead a Youth

Mass on the 1st March at 10.30. This will be a joyful time for our young people

and they ask that you all keep this day free and join them in worship. They will also be serving delicious bacon rolls in the narthex afterwards. Please do keep all our young candidates in your prayers.

A Thought from The Legion of Mary:

"To the powerful Virgin it is given to crush the serpent's head; to souls who are united to her, it is given to overcome sin. In this we must believe with an unshaking faith, with a firm heart."

(Graty, taken from the Legio Mariae)



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



Parish Rosary Group

Every Thursday evening at 7.30 our parish has the opportunity to meet and pray the Rosary together at St

Teresa's church. This is a time to bring before Our Holy Mother our burdens, our concerns and our joys - that she may lovingly present them at the feet of her Son Jesus.

Let us not let this opportunity pass by, but embrace it wholeheartedly in the knowledge that every prayer is graciously listened to and answered in the Lord's own time.

The Rosary takes 20 minutes to pray, followed by 10 minutes of quiet contemplation, so this is not a long meeting - rather, a brief but powerful encounter with God.

All are most welcome - by the kind, personal invitation of Our Blessed Lady.

First Holy Communion 2015



- The next meeting for children is this Sunday after 10.30 Mass in the church. Please do keep all our young

NOTICES



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

offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk



Taking stock

giving, praying, fasting

*A 40 day LENTEN journey
Seeking and practicing faith in Jesus*

**Catholic Deanery of Southend on Sea
Evenings of Recollection For Lent 2015 at
Nazareth House .**

**The Call to Holiness in Marriage and the
Family**

Thursday 26th February

Mr Edmund Adamus, Director for Marriage & Family Life, Archdiocese of Westminster.
*Families are called to Christ;
Spouses; primary agents of Evangelization*

Thursday 5th March

Rev Graham Smith, Parish Priest & Chaplain to Marriage & Family Life, Diocese of Brentwood. *Aspects of Marriage Today.*

Thursday 19th March

Mrs Jane Deegan, Wife, Mother, Solicitor, Author & Marriage Formator. *The Theology of the Body and Young People.*

Each evening begins at 8pm and includes a talk followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Office of Night Prayer and Benediction. Priests will be available for Confession each evening.

Lent at St Teresa's

Every Wednesday during Lent Fr Gerry will be saying Mass at 6.30am. 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 for work?

**'Lenten Day Retreat led by Bishop Alan
at Abbotswick House of Prayer,**

Brentwood: 14th March 2015

10.30am to 3:30pm and Mass will be celebrated. The suggested donation for the day is £15 per person and advanced booking is essential. All are welcome but spaces are limited. Please visit www.abbotswick.org for more information or call Abbotswick on 01277 373959.'

**Mother's Day Afternoon Tea - Sat 14th
March .** Timeslots between 1.30pm and 4.30pm. John Boscoe Hall, Holy Family Church. £12 per person. All proceeds go to ACROSS. Contact: Charlotte on 01702 535751 for tickets.



**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.

Exciting new Volunteer Opportunity in Rwanda

- The Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre are offering two funded places for a six month period during the calendar year Sept 2015 - Sept 2016, teaching English to their sisters in Rwanda. TEFL training will be provided if necessary, French an advantage.

Applicants must be 18 or over (no upper age limit!). Further details and Application Form can be found on the Community's website
<http://www.canonesses.co.uk/news-events/>



**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

The Faith Store

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



Please give this some thought. Every penny from this shop goes towards our church. Staff desperately required. Hours negotiable!

To Apply: Please call Phil Capon on 07519385482

St Benedict's College, Colchester - Teacher of English - Required for

September 2015 The college is seeking a well-qualified, innovative and enthusiastic English specialist to join a strong and thriving department. Further details are available on the college website, www.stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk. Closing date - Midday 10th February 2015

Future Dates for Your Diary -2015

1st March at 4pm -- Organ Recital in Aid of Iraqi Christians in Need (ICIN) supporting refugee families in Northern Iraq. St Teresa's Church Works by Boellmann, Messiaen, Schubert, Vierne & Widor. Free Admission - Retiring collection

1st March - Youth Mass led by our Confirmation candidates followed by bacon

rolls. Please do support our young people.

7th March - Family Faith Evening 6.30-9pm This will be a fun evening helping us to pray with our families.



22nd March - Legion of Mary Annual Renewal of Promise - This year we will be hosting this special event. The ceremony will start at 2.30 pm followed by Benediction. Please save the date. More details to follow nearer the time.

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!

Coffee



Mornings Next Sunday there will be a coffee morning in aid of our **Parish Lourdes Fund**. This fund has been set up to provide a small amount of financial assistance to Parishioners wishing to go to Lourdes and who would benefit greatly.

Message from Artability

On behalf of everyone at **Artability** we would like to thank Fr Gerry and all parishioners who helped us raise a staggering £163.55 at our coffee morning. We were overwhelmed by your generosity and the warmth your church shared with us. Huge thanks goes especially to Noah who arranged the coffee morning and came up with this wonderful way to help us. We are all so very grateful. God Bless You All.

Offertory Giving

Worship Through Giving



1st Collection for 25th Jan was £834.62 (£305 - Standing Orders)

1st Collection for 1st Feb was £950.69 (£305 - Standing Orders)

Collection for Anchor House was £103.46

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

		5.30pm		Cepta Howard RIP	OR
Sun	8	9.00am St Pius X	5th Sunday of the Year	Tony Micallef RIP	AC
		10.30am		Pro Populo	
Mon	9	7.30pm		Ints Mary Sylvester	E&T S
Tues	10	9.20am	S Scholastica, V		
Weds	11	9.20am	Our Lady of Lourdes, Principal Patron of the Diocese		
Thurs	12	9.00am St Pius X		Ann Moore RIP	AC
Fri	13	No Mass Today			
Sat	14	9.30am	Ss Cyril & Methodius		
		5.30pm		Mary Jane Smith RIP & Ita Ryan RIP	OR
Sun	15	9.00am St Pius X	6th Sunday of the Year	Pro Populo	
		10:30:00		In thanksgiving St Teresa's School	

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

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

Sunday: The Sick: 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, Denis Hanlon, David Pearce, William Gough, Adele Weatherley, Andy Dawes, Anthony George, Emily Rose Gough, Christopher Carr, and David Squires. Those who live in Alexandra Road, Broad Way, Doulton Way & Hawkwell Park Drive.

Tuesday: The Sick: Julia Lamb, Sarah Knight, Chris O'Shea, Edward Cunado, Joseph Merceica, Constance Longman, Chris Godfrey, Paul Clarke. For the people of Rockdene Christian Fellowship and their Minister John Stanton and Rochford Congregational Church and their Ministers Rev David Saunders and Rev Andrew Leach.

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, Ian Chandler, Jeannette Oatley, Mary Walmsley, Mike Cross, Craig Perryman, Dorian Churcher, Louise Knight, Len Smith, Sarah Jane Lovibond Jackson, Dee Fage.

Friday: The recently departed : Siobhan Smith. For those whose anniversaries fall this week Mick Fance, Perpetua Mhlanga, Joan Davies, Francis Eberle, Malcolm Hawes, John Brogan, Anthony Huggins, Violet Bell, Gillian Byford, Jacques Kuchly and Ernest Maskell. Our Student Priests: Rick, Patrick, David, Gary, Paschal & Eamonn.

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