

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



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Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. In the early church the week before Easter was all that was celebrated of Lent. The tradition of celebrating 40 days did not begin until the 4th century. If you have not managed to celebrate Lent terribly well so far, do not despair! Make an extra effort to attend all the Easter services.

Wishing you every blessing.

Fr Gerry

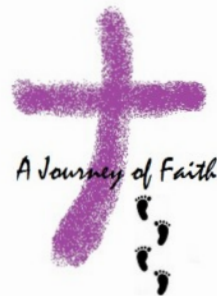


Wishing you all a very warm welcome to our Parish today, especially those who are just visiting. If you have any questions about our liturgical life and the many wonderful parish groups we have please do ask .



Coffee & Cake will be served after 10.30 Mass. Any money raised will go directly to our parish however the most important reason to stay **is to spend time with one another.** It really is great to just chat and meet old and new friends. All very welcome.

As we enter Holy Week, the most sacred of weeks, RCIA will take a short break. We



have shared great joy in learning about our faith and in helping one another. We all have a personal relationship with Jesus and spending time reflecting on this and spending time in prayer brings huge depth to the greatest love, as individuals, we will ever know. Please do keep our RCIA candidates in your prayers, especially at this time.



This Monday we will be hosting our annual Ecumenical Stations of the Cross at 8pm bringing together all churches in Rochford. It would be great to see you all there.

The Stations of the Cross bring us closer to Christ as we meditate on the great love He showed for us in His most sorrowful Passion.



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

Jesus waits for us in this Sacrament of Love



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -

every wed at 2pm and before 10.30 Mass each Sunday.

First Holy Communion



2015 - The next meeting for children will be this Sunday after 10.30 Mass in the church. Please do keep **Chloe, Maddie, Hannah, Finley,**

Lucas, Edward, Maisy, Oliver, Elario, Joshua, Reuben, Harry, Alfie, Eloise & Ryan in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus for the first time. Just a reminder that all children will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday 16th April at 7pm. Parents please join your children in receiving this grace.



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.

Early Morning Mass

Every Wednesday during Lent Fr Gerry will be celebrating 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? Next Wednesday is the last early morning Mass, why not make a real effort to come along?

Stations of the Cross - Thank you to everyone who attended the Stations of the Cross. We hope you found it a very worthwhile part of your Lenten journey. Thank you Christine, Debbie and Bridget

for leading them so beautifully every week.

Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony



The Legion of Mary hosted its annual Acies ceremony (renewal of Promise) **last Sunday**. It was a time to give thanks to the wonderful work the Legion of Mary does within the church and a time to renew our total

commitment to Our Queen and Our Mother. As a Priest, the work of the Legion of Mary is invaluable to me in providing pastoral care within the parish. You are the great evangelists that Pope Francis recognises and it is **you** who bring Jesus Christ to the world in the work you so faithfully carry out. I was so proud on Sunday of you all and it was wonderful to see so many Senior, Junior and Auxiliary members present. **Thank you all very much.**

CAFOD Events

Family Walk and Children's treasure trail on Thursday 9th April at Hanningfield Reservoir near Billericay. Bring your own picnic. Tea and coffee are available from the Cafe. Sorry no dogs! £5 suggested donation per adult, children go free. No need to book, just turn up on the day. Meet at the Visitors Centre from 11.15 am for an 11.30 start.

Abseil- on Saturday 2nd May, why not challenge yourself to abseiling 110ft down the Harlow Water Tower? This annual sponsored event is organised by

the Rotary Club of Harlow Tye. You have to be over 16 and there is a £30 participation fee. Places limited. If you would like more details on the above contact the CAFOD Brentwood Office on 0208 502 9722 or email brentwood@cafod.org.uk or find us on facebook.

PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING at SION Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, will take place on Sunday, 29th March, 7.30pm to 9pm. All welcome.



**Divine Mercy
Sunday 12th
April - Please
join us for
Evening Prayer
and Benediction
at St Teresa's Church at 4pm.**

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society London Marathon runner

The BCCS helps and supports families from all faiths from all over Essex and East London and is entirely supported by donations and grants. Mark Butcher is running for them this year and if you wish to donate to this very worthy cause - follow the link below to Mark's site. Please pass the message on and also remember him in your prayers. By the end of this attempt - Mark hopes to have raised over £10,000!

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/markbutchermarathon2015>

St Teresa's & St Pius X 10 Day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land . **Due to lack of interest this has now been**



moved to the 12th - 22nd May 2015

'Following in the Footsteps of Jesus' Spiritual Director: Fr Gerry

from London Heathrow, ¾ star hotels, Half board only £1,169 - 10 days/9nights. If you are interested in coming place are available and application forms are 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.



The Faith Store This shop serves our parish community and supports our church. Good quality donations always gratefully

received. New volunteers always welcome. Open 10 am - 4pm Daily! Why not pop in and grab a bargain.

Future Dates for Your Diary -2015

12th April - 4pm -Divine Mercy Sunday -Evening Prayer & Benediction

16^h April - First Reconciliation for Holy Communion Children 7pm at St Teresa's

9th May - First Holy Communion

16th May - Charity Quiz Night - 7.30 start in the Parish Centre . £6 per person which includes sausage & chip supper (Veggie option available too). Bring your own drinks.

10th June - Confirmation with Bishop Alan

6th June - Race Night in the Parish Centre. Fun for the whole family.

5th July - Parish Garden Party - This is our annual summer party. This year our theme is Alice in Wonderland! Our First planning meeting is on

Monday 20th April at 8pm. Please come along and share your ideas. All very welcome.





The Family of Margaret(Marjorie)Eberle wish to give their heartfelt thanks to everyone for their prayers,kind words of

sympathy and the overwhelming support given to them at Our Lady of Ransom church Rayleigh at the requiem mass on 19th March.

Appeal for Helper - Jumbulance

We are looking to recruit helpers, nurses and chaplains for some of our national groups. Our priority is Group 3290 which departs on 16th April and returns to the UK on 25th April 2015. This group needs helpers and a nurse. If you can't travel on

this group there are other groups in the season. Please contact the office for dates. If you would like to help please call us on 01499 302715.

The Parish Safeguarding Officer for Children & Vulnerable Adults is Mel Packer who can be contacted on : 01702 547954 or offgood2001@yahoo.co.uk

Ron & Jackie Gravestock wish to express their thanks for Ron's Mass intention on the occasion of his 80th Birthday

If you would like to buy an Easter Lily for a loved one please take an envelope from the back of church.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Daily: That our Parish may be set on fire with love for Jesus: For Pope Francis and Bishop Alan:

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: Brett Kelly. Cassie Thompson. Denis Hanlon. Cory Lees. David Pearce. William Gough. Andy Dawes. Anthony George. Christopher Carr. and David Squires. Those who live in Appleyard Avenue. Bullwood Road. Englefield Close & Heycroft Road.

Tuesday: The Sick: Alan Gunn. Jim Bourne. Julia Lamb. Sarah Knight. Chris O'Shea. Edward Cunado. Joseph Merceica. Constance Longman. Chris Godfrey. Paul Clarke. For the people of St Thomas of Canterbury. Hullbridge and their Ministers Rev Brenda Wallace & Rev Sue Adams.

Wednesday: The Sick: Emily Rose Gough. Ethan Adlum. Delia Cheek. William McArthur. Margaret Hennessy. Sarah Fisher. Marjorie Jay. Ciaran Freel. Jeannette Oatley. Angele De Can. The Queen and her ministers. that they may govern us wisely.

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

Friday: The recently departed : Margaret Eberle. Orlaith Hanna. Sheila Burton. Drummond Clapp. Gillian Jones & Daniel McDerm. For those whose anniversaries fall this week William Savage. James Drew. Frances Joyce. Lillian Williams. Richard Prideaux. Rita Bolton & Keith Steward. Our Student Priests: Rick. Patrick. David. Gary. Paschal & Eamonn.

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

Mass Times at St Teresa's & St Pius X

Sat	28	5.30pm	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Drummond Clapp RIP	T&T S
Sun	29	9.00am St Pius X		Siobhan & Mal Smith RIP	E&T S
		10.30am		Pro Populo	
Fig	30	7.30pm	Fig Monday Mass		
		20:00:00	Stations of the Cross for all Christians		
Tues	31	09:20:00	Temple Tuesday Mass	Larry & Jean King RIP	HB
Wed	1	06:30:00	Spy Wednesday Mass		
		7.00pm Chrism Mass at the Cathedral			
Thur	2	11.00am	Maundy Thursday	Requiem Mass for Orlaith Hanna	
		8pm	Maundy Thursday Mass Watch until Midnight		
Good Friday	3	10am	Morning Prayer & Children's Stations of the Cross		
		3pm	Good Friday Liturgy of the Passion		
Sat	4	9.30am	Holy Saturday Morning Prayer Blessing of Easter Food		
		8pm	Easter Vigil	Rita Bolton	AB
Sun	5	9am St PiusX	Easter Day	Pro Populo	
		10.30am			

Offertory Giving

**Worship
Through
Giving**



1st Collection for 15th March was £859.40 (£295.00 - Standing Orders)

Our parish needs £1600 a week

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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