

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



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4th Sunday of Easter

Traditionally this Sunday we concentrate on vocations to the priesthood. I have often spoken to you of the vocation of all Christians. The ministerial priesthood of which I am privileged, though unworthy to be a part, has a special place in the life of the church. Without priests there would be no Sacraments: no Mass, no Baptism, no Reconciliation, no Marriage, no Sacrament of the Sick In short we would be deprived of all Sacramental Grace and separated from the fountain of life. Jesus calls men to the priesthood, we must encourage our boys and young men in their love of Jesus and in their response to him whether it be to priesthood or not.. One of the best ways of doing this is to respond generously to Jesus' love for us.

With 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 Morning - Please join us for coffee and cake after Mass and meet with

friends old and new. All proceeds go towards our Church. All very welcome.



On the Fourth Sunday of Easter , the Church celebrates Good Shepherd Sunday and the World Day of Prayer for

Vocations. There will be a second collection after every Mass to support Vocations . Please do be as generous as you can.



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.

Parish Sacramental Programmes

First Holy Communion



2015 Just a little reminder that we have a First Holy Communion

Rehearsal on Saturday 2nd May at 11am. Please

make every effort to attend as it really will help make the day run smoothly. Please do invite the children's sponsors to attend where possible .

- 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.



Confirmation

Confirmation - The next meeting for Candidates will be on Sunday 10th May after 10.30 Mass. Please pray for **James, Emily, Reuben, Charlotte, Rebecca** and **Harry** as they prepare to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and are strengthened in their Christian life.

Baptism



Holy Baptism

If you you are thinking of having your child baptised please speak to Fr Gerry after Mass who will be more

than happy to arrange the necessary preparation with you. This is the greatest gift you can give your child.

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.

Spend just 30 minutes in prayer with us and feel the grace of Our Lady upon you. The Holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you will be amazed at the results.

Everyone very welcome!

Legion of Mary

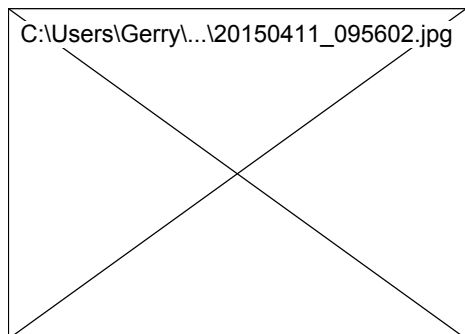
The annual Edel Quinn Pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory takes place on Saturday 9th May. A coach leaves Eastwood (parking available) at approximately 9.15 am and Rayleigh at 9.30 am and returns around 6.00 pm. All members and Parishioners are welcome.

For More information please contact:
Clare - 200353/ Gerald 207234/ Jane - 07906 611994/ Elaine - 257287

Nazareth House

Wednesday 13th May - Feast of Our Lady of Fatima @ Nazareth House Mass at 4pm followed by procession whilst praying the Rosary at 4.45pm and Benediction at 5.15pm. Refreshments in the hall afterwards. All welcome to honour Our Lady on this special day.

Have you bought your Quiz Tickets yet? This is going to be a great night.



The Faith Store is holding a Jumble

Sale in the Parish Centre on the 25th May (Bank Holiday Monday) 11 - 2. **There will be lots of fantastic items on sale at incredible prices.** All proceeds go towards our church so if you could spare just a small amount of your time to help out we would be very grateful. We will also be selling delicious cakes so donations and help on the day will also be greatly appreciated. **Thank you very much for your support.**

ST TERESA'S PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

St Teresa's & St Pius X 10 Day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land is at



present **still booked for October.**

However we do need at least 9 more people to book on to it. . '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 please see me for an application form as soon as possible.

St Teresa's & St Pius X 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.

OPEN MON - SAT 10AM - 4PM



Alice in Wonderland Summer Party - We are now starting to collect items for our Summer party . If you have any of the

following you can donate we would be very grateful ;

- Teapots
- Gifts/Toys for prizes
- Cups and Saucers
- Bottles

Thank you very much for all you support and thank you to all those who have offered their help. If you would like to be

part of the day we would love to welcome you.

For the Young People

Children's Liturgy - 10.30 Every Sunday at St Teresa's. New children always welcome.

St Teresa's Mother & Baby Group - meets every Wednesday after 9.30 Mass in the Parish Centre. Please call Angie on 07801260873

6th Rochford (St Teresa's) Scout Group - This is a well established Scout group which is linked to our church. For all enquiries please speak to Laurence Mills on 07931349556

Future Dates for Your Diary -2015

9th May - First Holy Communion

16th May - Charity Quiz Night - 7.30 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!

11th July - Holy Hour - Evening of Prayer

The closing date for applications is noon on Friday 1st May

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

KS2 Teacher required for September 2015 St Teresa's Catholic Primary, Basildon are looking for an NQT or experienced teacher to join our team. Please contact Mrs Ataman on 01268553502 admin@stteresasrc.essex.sch.uk for an application pack or to arrange a visit.



Quote from the Legion of Mary.

“May the Mother of Jesus and our Mother, always smile on your spirit, obtaining for it, from her Most Holy

*Son, every heavenly blessing” **Saint Padre Pio***

The Legion of Mary will be leading the Rosary every Sunday throughout the month of May.

Food and Drink in Mass



Can I politely remind you that when we are celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass we are in the presence of our Lord and should refrain from eating and drinking .

Jobs

St Peter's Catholic Primary School in Billericay is looking to appoint an outstanding primary classroom teacher from September 2015 and also an HLTA to support teaching staff through planning, preparing and delivering lessons. For further details and an application form visit: www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk



Jack Petchey Award
We send our love & congratulations to Lily Taylor who has been awarded the above award for her excellent work as a Liberty prefect and continued efforts in fundraising at St Bernards. VERY WELL DONE LILY!

Worship Through Giving



1st Collection for 12th April was £975.29(£295.00 – Standing Orders)

Our parish needs £1600 a week

Offertory Giving

Sat	25	5.30pm	4th Sunday of Easter	All Priests	
Sun	26	9.00am St Pius X		William Sylvester RIP	E&T S
		10.30am		Derek Martin RIP	JO'D
Mon	27	7.30pm			
Tues	28	9.30am		Jean Humphreys RIP	P&J C
Weds	29	No Mass Today	St Catherine of Siena, V, D		
Thurs	30	9.00am St Pius X			
Fri	1	No Mass Today			
Sat	2	9.30am	St Athanasius, Bp, D		
		5.30pm	5th Sunday of Easter	Marjorie Eberle	LOM
Sun	3	9.00am St Pius X		Pro populo	
		10:30:00			

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, 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 Mill View Meadows, Mount Bovers Lane, Malting Villas Road and Oast Way.

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 Nicholas Canewdon, St Andrew Ashingdon and All Saints South and their Minister Revd Timothy F Clay.

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 : Derek Martin, Beryl Thompson, Florence Smith, Lily Jerman, Joseph Ambrose & Mary Ellis.. For those whose anniversaries fall this week Patrick Reilly, Peter Budgen, Michael Gormley, Charles O'Shea, Alf Maynard, Thomas Clare-Dunbavand, Jimmy Nagle, Frederick Aylett, Joseph Boslem, Albert Bourne, Martyn Caudy & Paula Fitzgerald Our Student Priests: Rick, Patrick, David, Gary, Paschal & Eamonn.

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