

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



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6th Sunday of Easter

In the readings at Mass this week we have two readings from the Apostle of love. The love that John talks about is God's love for us, which Jesus expects us to share with others. This love is not a feeling but an act of the will: Jesus says, "a man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends." Nobody would be so self giving as to die for another because of a nice, warm feeling inside! Rather, we can only be as self giving as Jesus if we have the spirit of Jesus within us. This is given to us in Baptism, and it is the Christian's task to choose to love in this way.

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 .

parish 'involved in the Mission of the Universal Church'

Fr Gerry will be away from 12th May - 23rd May leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. If you would like Father to offer Mass for your intentions whilst he is away please do speak to him this weekend. Details of Eucharistic Services in his absence are in the newsletter.



Thank you all for responding so generously to Fr Brian's appeal last weekend . I know many of you took

away with you a mission box and I am very grateful to **David Whines** who has kindly taken on the role of APF Parish Co-ordinator for St Pius X and **David Mather** for St Teresa's. By responding to Fr Brian's Appeal , we can truly be a



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 This Saturday our First Holy Communion

Children -Chloe, Maddie, Hannah, Finley, Lucas, Edward, Maisy, Oliver, Elario, Joshua, Reuben, Harry, Alfie, Eloise & Ryan received the Body and Blood of Jesus for the first time.

Congratulations to you all.

Confirmation - The next meeting for Candidates is this Sunday 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**

This Saturday we welcome **Maddalin Bond** into the family of God as she receives the

Sacrament of Baptism.

CONGRATULATIONS MADDIE!

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.

The Holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you will be amazed at the results.

The Faith Store is holding a Jumble Sale in the Parish Centre on the 25th May (Bank Holiday Monday) 11 - 2. 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.**

CAFOD FAMILY BIKE RIDE - Sunday 7th June - through the scenic Lee Valley Park and along the canal to Broxbourne for a picnic before cycling back. Choose

from the short 10 mile ride or the longer 18 mile route. £6 entry per person, children under 18 must be accompanied. For more details visit pedalagainstopoverty2015.eventbrite.co.uk or email brentwood@cafod.org.uk or telephone 0208 502 9722.



The Diocesan Commission for Evangelisation and Formation invites you to an Ecumenical Study Day on the subject of 'The

Legacies of Luther and Calvin' on Saturday 13th June from 10.30 until 3 p.m. at Brentwood Cathedral Hall. The day will be led by Prof John Morrill, who is an expert in the field. Please book your place by email to cef@dioceseofbrentwood.org or by phoning 01277 265289. There is no charge and a light buffet lunch is provided.



"SVP St John Bosco Summer Camp for Boys (25th July and 1st August) and Girls (8th August) Exciting,

activity-packed week-long camping holidays in the Essex countryside with adult supervision. Come and join in the fun. Cost £145 per young person. For further details and booking form, please visit Website:

www.svpboscocamp.org.uk or speak to any member of the SVP. You may also wish to see the poster on the Church notice board." A limited

number of sponsored places are available for families in need. Please contact Alan on 01702 201901

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.

**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)

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.** Please speak to Christine Challis, Sue Tokley, Elaine Hennessy or Jennifer Newton.

Situations Vacant

St Bernard's High School require a **Premises Manager**. Scale: LG4: 30-34 - (£26,293) Responsible for the security and maintenance of the school site. Relevant experience in a similar position an advantage. Further details and application form on our website:

WWW.stbernardswestcliff.org.uk

"**Brentwood Diocese** wishes to appoint a **Director of Education** to succeed Mgr George Stokes. Based at Cathedral House, the successful candidate will be a practising Catholic with senior level experience in education, and with detailed knowledge of the Church in order to be effective. Information about the post and an application pack may be obtained from the Diocesan website (<http://dioceseofbrentwood.net/dde>) or the Education Commission (Tel: 01277 265284; janets@dioceseofbrentwood.org). The

closing date for applications is 4th June 2015."



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](#)

16th May - Charity Quiz Night 10th June - Confirmation with Bishop Alan

5th July - Parish Garden Party - This is our annual summer party.

11th July - Holy Hour - Evening of Prayer

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

Prayer and Reflection

A Prayer for all Parishioners

O Lord, I pray for the grace and strength to remain faithful to Your teachings and to the Sacramental life of the Church. Help me to persevere in the commitments and promises I have made to you. Give me the fortitude to live up to the vocation I received in my Baptism, to the duties derived from my Confirmation in the spirit, and to the graces received in the other Sacraments. Help me to place the love of God and service to Him before all else and help me to bring selfless love to my brothers and sisters.

Amen



Quote from the Legion of Mary.

“Always stay close to this Heavenly Mother, because she is the sea to be crossed to reach the shores of Eternal Splendour.” Saint Padre Pio

The Legion will be leading the Rosary before every Mass each weekend during the month of May. All very welcome .

Offertory Giving

Worship
Through
Giving



1st Collection for 26th April was £767.30 (£295.00 - Standing Orders)

1st Collection for 3rd May was £1066.39 (£295 S/O)

Collection for Let the Children Live was £970.99

Collection for Nepal Appeal was £386

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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..

Mass Times for St Teresa's & St Pius X

		5.30pm	6th Sunday of Easter	Pro Populo	
Sun	10	9.00am St Pius X		Pat Holohan RIP	Flyn ns
		10.30am			
Mon	11	7.30pm		Fr Denis Hall RIP	PAC T
Tues	12	9.30 Eucharistic Service	St John Houghton, Pr M		
Weds	13	9.30am	ST Erconwald, Bp		
Thurs	14	No Mass Today	St Matthias, Ap		
Fri	15	No Mass Today			
Sat	16	9.30 Eucharistic Service			
		5.30pm	Ascension Sunday		
Sun	17	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, Anthony George, Christopher Carr, and David Squires. Those who live in Ark Lane, Caernarvon Close, Etheldore Avenue & High Street, Rochford.

Tuesday: The Sick: Alan Gunn, Ann Harris, Eve Stocks, Jim Bourne, Julia Lamb, Sarah Knight, Chris O'Shea, Edward Cunado, Joseph Merceica, Constance Longman, Chris Godfrey, Paul Clarke. For the people of St Andrews Rochford, All Saints Sutton, St Mary & All Saints Stambridge and their Minister Revd Alun Hurd.

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

Thursday: The Sick: Sheila Van de Vyver, 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, Lorna Pounder, Martin Ellis, and Clive Graham. For those whose anniversaries fall this week Merryn Godfrey, Sr Mary Concepta, Arthur Capon, Tambuzdzai Rutsito, Bill Kemp, Patrick Sheehy & John Louis Castle. 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.