A warm welcome to

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

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23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time.

To those of us who are closed - the rich, the powerful, the proud, the self-sufficient - Jesus commands: 'Be opened!'

Be opened, Christian, to listen and receive the teachings of the Gospel! Be opened to speak your faith with your whole life! Be opened to allow your 'Our Father' to pass into all your works! Then how eloquently our lives would speak, how they would show forth Jesus Christ! The entire world could not help but say: 'He has done everything well! He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak!'

What's On

The Legion of Mary: working and praying for the Kingdom of God in our Parish. Everyone is most welcome to the 5.30pm meeting in the Parish Centre - new members always welcome.

The **G.A.L**s. are back tomorrow, Monday, 7th September, 7.30 p..m. in St. Teresa's Parish Centre for a talk by Helen Leonard on the Tower of London. Helen spent a lot of her childhood in the Tower as her father was a Beefeater. She has lots of stories to tell and memorabilia to show us. If you have read any good books over the Summer and are willing to swop them please bring them along. A warm welcome to any new Girls and Ladies who haven't been before. For further information ring Maureen 01702 201688.

Deanery Mass at St Bernard's High School Monday 14th September 2009 at 4.15 pm

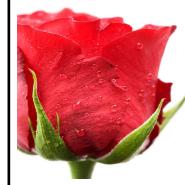
Staff of all denominations working in our Catholic schools have been invited to a Deanery Mass at St Bernard's High School and Arts College, Milton Road, Westcliff-on-Sea, at 4.00 pm for 4.15 pm on Monday 14th September 2009, followed by refreshments. If you are working in a non-Catholic school, we would love you to join us. We would be very grateful if you would let us know if you intend to attend for catering purposes. Please contact Carmel Allen, Deputy Head Teacher, or Karen Froydenlund, Secretary, on 01702 343583 if you have any queries or to advise of your intention to join us at the Mass.

'Praying with Icons' a four week course at Fresh Horizons, Ditton Court Rd, Westcliff Tuesdays 15th Sept to 6th October; 10.30am to 12pm Cost, £2 per session. Book by ringing Sister Catherine on 01702 304931 or Tony Castle (who is leading the Course) on 01702 218660 or just turn up!

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat	5	5.30pm	The Twenty-Third	Ints Theresa Paton	
Sun	6	9.00am At S	Sunday	Ints Gabriella Prideaux	СВ
		10.30am	of the Year (B)	The People of the Parish	
Mon	7	No Mass	Today		
Tues	8	9.30am	The Birthday of Our Lady	Our Schools	
Weds	9	9.20am		Ints Patrick Ryan	OR
Thurs	10	10.00am At S Pius X		Josephine Micallef RIP	AM
Fri	11	9.20am			
Sat	12	9.30am			
		5.30pm	The Twenty-Fourth	Jim Bennet RIP	LB
Sun	13	9.00am At S Pius X	Sunday	In thanksgiving for the life of Rosemary Gravestock	JG
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Visit to the Relics of St. Thérése of Lisieux at Aylesford Saturday 10th October



A unique chance for us to make a pilgrimage and pray in the presence of the relics of our patron Saint, whose picture appears on the left. Lists at the back of church are very full. If you have signed up and have not paid, you must do so this weekend as there is a waiting list. Cost £10 per person, £5 for children. Be sure to pay your fare today to avoid missing out!

There is an opportunity for a rose to be placed for you or your loved ones near the relics of St Thérèse during the weekend of the 9th - 11th October 2009 in the Relic Chapel at The Friars.

Names will be written in the Roses Register which will be placed in the chapel. Unfortunately, they cannot send the roses to you afterwards as they expect so many to take advantage of this special gesture calling upon the intercession of St Thérèse. The names of donors of £5 or more will be entered into a Donors' Register placed in the chapel. Mass will be offered each day during the visit to Aylesford for all our benefactors. Envelopes are available at the back of church for the purpose this weekend, cheques made payable to The Friars Aylesford, please.

The Faith Store News

The first full month of trading has proved to be a great success. Well done to Tracey and all the volunteers! Watch this space for our first project. Please continue to bring your goods straight to the shop or to the shed after Mass. Please remember that we can only sell new or nearly new items.

We still need staff to help run the shop on Friday mornings & afternoons. Please be generous with your time and offer yourself-forms are available in both Church porches. Any queries or for more info please ring Tracey 202267 or email tracey@greengages.com A big thank you to everyone for your

PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, send out your light and your truth. Open our eyes to the opportunities you give us; Open our ears to hear your call; Open our hearts to your love, That we may serve you And bring others to your light Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Our Schools as they return from the Summer hoilidays.

The Sick: Gabriella Prideaux, Pauline Connor, Gail Airey, Joan Hauser, Antoinette Cane, Chris Bowler, Christopher Carr, Sarah Knight, Zita Killick, Ross Giza, David Ward, Oliver Kelly, Lucy Fuller, Laura Munden, Harry Clark, Terry & Marie Barrett, Vicki & Dee Fage, Daphne Lamb, Jackie Gravestock, Fr William Newton, Drummond & Helen Clapp, Chris

Sheehan, Jim Bourne, Shirley Kennenson, Siobhan Taylor, Gareth Lewis, Mark Reilly, Bartly Igoe, Dexter Govia, Michael King, Elizabeth Reilly, Johanna Packer, Marylin Friend, Marjorie Jay, Cassie Thompson, Ciaran Freel, Angele DeCan, Ann Francis, Paul Clarke, Mac & Maria McFairbairn, Ken Cropley, Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Tony Micallef, Maud Livett, and all who are sick.

The Departed: Luke Kavanagh, Rosa Coleman, Peter Connor, Derrick Crisp, Ann Cater, Gabrielle Whines, Sylvia Yeadell, and all whose years' mind fall at this time.

The Essex Recusant Society meets on Satur- dral on Saturday 26th September 2009 at day 19th September at 2.30 p.m. at The 3.30 pm. Grange, 93 Queens Road, Brentwood. Dr. James Hagerty, author of a recent biography of Cardinal Hinsley, will give a talk entitled, 'Cardinal Hinsley: the cross and the flag'.For further details please contact Isobel Parks on 01268 289678.

BCCS Celebrity Sporting Dinner

As part of their anniversary celebrations, BCCS will be hosting a Sporting Dinner on Thursday 17th September at The Chichester Hotel, Rayleigh with guest speaker Ray Parlour. Tickets are £45 and include a 3 course dinner, along with the opportunity to speak with Ray as well as having your photograph taken with him. To book your tickets, please call Julie Abbott 01268 784544 / iabbott@childcareuk.org

A Workshop for Catechists 'Connecting with Jesus' - with Mrs Elizabeth O'Brien (Special Needs Adviser, Diocese of Birmingham) Saturday 26th September. 9.30am - 2.45pm, Cathedral Conference Hall, Brentwood. Supporting children, young people and adults with learning difficulties and disabilities. For booking and further information, please contact the Adult RE & Formation for Ministry office on 01277 265219/257 or email deniseholder@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

The Diocese will be celebrating a special Mass for Marriage and Family in the Cathe-

The Collections for August were £1858.25. Our needs £5860 over the

same period to run. Thank you all for your continued generosity.

Altar Server's List for September

Sunday 6th September 10.30 am

MC Stuart, Cross Bearer. Dean,

Thurifer & Boat, Alice & Francis, Candle Bearers, Rebecca & James, Offertory Sophie D & Dean,

Sunday 13th September 10.30 am

MC Stuart, Cross Bearer, Dean,

Thurifer & Boat, Charlotte & Sophie C, Candle Bearers. Rebecca & James, Offertory Aimee & Francis,

Sunday 20th September 10.30 am

Stuart. Cross Bearer, Rebecca, Book Bearer, Dean,

Thurifer & Boat, Charlotte & Sophie C, Candle Bearers, Emily & Victoria, Offertory Francis & Aimee, Spare Sophie D,

Sunday 27th September 10.30 am

MC Stuart, Cross Bearer. Sophie D Book Bearer Dean,

Thurifer & Boat,Charlotte & Sophie C,

Candle Bearers, Emily, Victoria, James & Aimee.

Alice & Francis Offertory Spare, Rebecca

Any Enquires Please Contact Derek on 01702 541639