

A warm welcome to Fr Dorricott at the 5.30 Mass

THE PARISH OF ST TERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS

ROCHFORD & ST PIUS X HOCKLEY

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28th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

So many people who met Jesus went away happy. But in our Gospel today a man meets Jesus and goes away sad. It is the only time in all the Gospels that someone who was called by Jesus went away sad. This meeting between the man and Jesus showed such promise and yet ended so badly. The disturbing thing is that we can see aspects of ourselves in this man. The man was a spiritual person. He asked Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life. He was genuinely interested in growing closer to God. He had kept all the commandments from his youth. Like this man we are also searching to come closer to God and we want to inherit eternal life, which begs the question, are we going away sad or happy when we meet Jesus?

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.

Baby & Toddler Group meets in the Parish Centre after the 9.20 Mass on Wednesday Mornings : 10am to 12pm during term time. Everyone very welcome.



The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) is hosting a Charity Night at Romford Dogs on Wednesday



14th October. Ticket are priced at £22 per person

and this includes: Entrance, 3 Course Meal with Coffee in the Chase Restaurant, and Free Race card. We are expecting this event to be really popular so please book early in order to avoid disappointment. For further details and to book tickets call Julie on 01268 784544 or email jabbott@childcareuk.org

Love at the heart of all things - A time of prayer for young adults with the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux. As part of the visit of the relics of St. Thérèse, there will be a special liturgy for young adults (aged approx. 17 - 30) at 7.30pm on Wednesday 14th October at Westminster Cathedral, with chief celebrant Mgr. John Armitage. Tickets for this have been very popular and there are only a few left. Please email info@bcys.net to reserve your free ticket. More details online at www.bcys.net/loveattheheart



Lection Divina- Praying with Scripture Tuesday

14th Oct 7.30pm Cathedral Conference Centre. **Facilitator- Fr Gervase Holdaway OSB, a monk from Douai Abbey** Would you like to know more about this way of praying with Scripture or how to lead a group in

your parish? For further information please contact Sr Nuala on 01277 265219 or book by emailing deniseholder@dioceseofbrentwood.org



Please Give Blood: Thursday 15 October 14.00 to 15.45 & 17.00 to 19.45, Congregational Church, (opposite post office), North Street, Rochford,

Please strongly consider giving blood as you could be saving someone's life. Poster at back of church with details.

Next Sunday

There will be a coffee morning and raffle after the 10.30 Mass on Sunday 18th October. All

proceeds will go to the Meningitis Research Foundation in memory of Daniel Bruce. Thank You for your support.



World Mission Sunday

Next Sunday, Catholics everywhere unite in celebrating World Mission Sunday. Our prayers and donations on World Mission Sunday help to support mission projects and Catholic communities across the world to grow towards self-sufficiency. Through Mission, The Holy Father invites every Catholic in the world to contribute to a special collection next Sunday; your help will bring hope and new life to people thirsting to hear of God's love for them.



St Bernard's High School and Arts College, a Specialist School for Performing Arts and Science: Open Evening for Prospective Year 7 - Wednesday 14 October 2009 - 7.00pm to 9.00pm

We shall be delighted to welcome girls, together with their parents or carers, who are interested in joining St Bernard's High School and Arts College Year 7 in September 2010 to our Open Evening. All departments will have activities and displays available throughout the evening. The Head Teacher and senior students will give two short talks at 7.45pm and 8.30pm. Refreshments will also be available.

Open Day for Prospective Year 7 - Thursday 15 October 2009 This is an opportunity for prospective parents or carers to visit the School during a normal school day between 10.30am and 12 noon and between 1.40pm and 3.30pm. Please come to the reception area during these times and a current student will give you a tour of the school. Designated "A high performing specialist School" 2008.

St Teresa & St Pius Men 20th Oct 8.00pm Ladies: get your men out from under your feet for a couple of hours, send them to the White Hart in Hockley. We'll look after them.

The Sacrament of Confirmation – Introducing the new Diocesan Policy for The Parishes of Southend Deanery.

This meeting will be held on Thursday 22 October at 7.30pm at St Peter's Parish Centre, Eastwood. Please see poster at back of church for further information.

A Question of Faith

The Commission for Evangelisation and Formation invite you take part in **An evening of questions on living the Catholic faith on Thursday 22 October 2009, 7.30 – 9.00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes, Parish Pastoral Centre, Cambridge Park Wanstead, London E11 2PR.** Topics will include: Moral Issues and Quandaries, Theology and Scripture, The Church and its history and The Church in today's world. Further details from the parish through Maureen Brazier on 020 8989 4119 or from CEF Direct Line 01277 265289 or email CEF@dioceseofbrentwood.org



'I'd say yes Lord, if I knew what you wanted' A weekend retreat on **23-25 October 2009** for young adults aged 18-38 on Ignatian rules of discernment; directed by Fr. Dave Stuart SJ,

leader of the Young Adult Ministry at Farm Street. The retreat will be held at Abbotswick House of Prayer in the Essex countryside. For further details visit www.free2become.org or call **01277 373848.**

Guild of St Stephen Brentwood Diocese Memorial Mass for all deceased members and altar servers at Brentwood Cathedral, Satur-

day 24 October at **2.30pm.** Celebrant: Fr Jean-Laurent Marie (Guild Director). All servers welcome, please bring albs etc.

BCCS are delighted to announce that in celebration of their 25th Anniversary, the Rt Honorable Ann Widdecombe MP will be the guest speaker a special **Anniversary Dinner.** The dinner will be held on Thursday 5th November at Stockbrook Golf & Country Club, Billericay. Tickets are priced at £45 per person, which will include a drink on arrival and three course meal.



So you want to be a good Catholic doctor? An intensive one-day course in medical ethics for doctors and medical students at Vaughan House, Francis Street,

London SW1 Westminster Cathedral on Saturday November 7 from 9am to 5pm. Fee: Doctors £30, students £10. Please see poster at the back of the church for further information. To request an application from please email Dr Mike Delany on drmgd84@hotmail.com or call Dr Charlie O'Donnell on 07903 222197.

G.A.Ls. (Girls & Ladies) On Monday, 9th November Brian Curtois, a reporter for over 25 years, will give us a talk on his experiences whilst working for the BBC. As a lot of enquiries and interest has been shown in this talk we have decided "for one night only" to make it a general invitation to everyone (including men). It starts at 7.30 p.m. in St. Teresa's Parish Centre. Admission: Members: £1 Non Members: £2. We look forward to seeing you there. Maureen 01702 201688

What is the meaning of life? An opportunity for an advent retreat for young people in school year 10 and above to explore together the ultimate question and discover the things of value and true meaning in our lives. Come to Walsingham House and experience fun, friendship and faith before Christmas. To be held 11 - 13 December 2009. Please see poster at back of church for further details.



This years **parish dinner dance** at the Lawn is being held on Sunday 20th December.

Full 3 course Christmas menu and music by The Alvin Jones Band.

Tickets £40 each.

To secure your ticket please give a £10 deposit

to Una or Martin Johnson (07950 823058)

Notices

Did you know?

One in every seven people CAFOD helped last year was helped thanks to a legacy. In the Southend area this month you can take advantage of Free Wills Month to make or update your will. This is a great opportunity to put things in order and provide for the people and causes you care about. You must be 55 or over and a UK resident to take part.

Visit www.freewillsmoonth.org.uk or call 0845 020 4309 for more information and details of local participating solicitors.

Confirmation

Those parishoners who are in year 9 or above who are interested in making their confirmation next year, please write to Father Gerry and let him know. If you were not baptised in St. Teresa's please enclose a copy of your baptism certificate. The course will be starting in October.



RCIA will begin again on **Weds 21 October at 8.00pm in the Presbytery. This rite is ideal for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, perhaps with a view to being received into the Church. Please see Fr Gerry for further details, or why not just come along to the meeting?**

Rochford Area Action Plan The Council are in the process of producing an Area Action Plan for Rochford town centre. The Council has produced a draft of the Area Action Plan for Rochford. They now want your views on these. Copies of the Rochford Area Action Plan discussion and consultation document ('Issues and Options') can be viewed online at: <http://www.rochford.gov.uk>, as well as in Rochford library and Rochford Council Offices. Views can be submitted via the online consultation system at: <http://rochford.jdi-consult.net/ldf/>. If you wish to submit your views but are unable to do so online, please contact a member of the Planning Policy team on 01702 318191. Comments must be received by 5pm on 30th November 2009.

It is noteworthy that the Area Action Plan looks at no fewer than six different sites in Rochford, but makes no mention of the

former BP Garage site opposite the Station, now boarded up, although it does suggest knocking down the next door sites of the A1 Car Sales Garage and Haynes Florists to 'Create heritage entrances and improved signage on the main routes into the town centre'. Could it be that a Supermarket is involved?

Baby and Toddler Group

We are currently looking for volunteers to assist with this group. The group meets Wednesday mornings from 10am to 12pm during term time. Please contact Sandra Stilwell on 01702 258929 if you are interested in offering your assistance.

Music Lessons

Our resident trumpet player, Graham Hunter, is now available to teach music lessons for all ages.



Graham is a multi instrumentalist and can teach among many others: brass instruments, saxophone, guitar, bass guitar, piano and drum kit. If you or anyone you know is interested in learning a musical instrument or brushing up, please contact Graham on 07724 088 511.

Swine Flu and receiving Communion

Some people have expressed concern about the risk of catching swine flu from receiving the chalice. The current advice is that you are at no greater risk of catching swine flu from receiving the chalice than any other means of infection. May I remind you that the practice of intinction (dipping the Host into the chalice) is forbidden in the Dioceses of England and Wales. The reason for this is that you are actually placing your-

self and others at greater risk of catching swine flu and other infections because of the risk of dipping fingers in the precious blood. The question of receiving the chalice is under daily review during the current epidemic and if it becomes appropriate the chalice will be withdrawn completely, along with Holy Water Stoups and sharing the Peace. *Please do not dip your Host in the chalice.*

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

From an anonymous Parish Magazine:

[Irving Benson and Jessica Carter](#) were married here on October 24th, ending a friendship that began in their schooldays.

Altar Servers List next week

5.30 am Saturday 17th October,
Aimee Charlotte Sophie,

10.30 am Sunday 18th October,
MC Stewart,
Cross Bearer, Dean,
Thurifer & Boat, Alice & Frances
Candle Bearers, Emma & Victoria,
Offertory Dean & Rebecca,

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat	10	5.30pm		In Thanksgiving for the safe arrival of Elia born to Emma & Michael King	E & MK
			The Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year (B)		
Sun	11	9.00am At S Pius X		The People of the Parish	
			10.30am	Dora Macken RIP	
Mon	12	No Mass Today			
Tue	13	7.30pm		Patrick Hunt RIP	
Wed	14	9.20am		Fr Ivan Rudkin	PACT
Thu	15	10.00am At S Pius X	S Teresa of Avila, Virgin, Religious, Teacher of the Faith	Fr Leonardo Busuttli	
Fri	16	9.20am			
Sat	17	9.30am	S Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr		
			5.30pm		
Sun	18	9.00am At S Pius X	The Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year (B)	Josephine Micallef RIP	AM
			10.30am	The People of the Parish	

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

In our Cycle of Prayer we remember those who live in Ashcombe, Canewdon Road, Fleethall Road, and Hill Lane. We Pray for the people of Hawkwell Baptist Church, and their minister Rev'd Richard Iles.

We pray for families making decisions about schools for their children.

The Sick: Dennis Hartnett, Sarah Fisher, Elizabeth Graham, Delia Cheek, William McArthur, Gabriella Prideaux, 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, 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 Copley, Louise Knight, Ann Moore, Tony Micallef, Maud Livett, and all who are sick.

The Departed: Alan Wells & Jim Holland recently departed: Henry Rolt, Alfred Waller, David Wagstaff, Mary Ashe, Michael Nightingale, Mary Mahon, Patrick Horan, Kate Andrews, Anne Coyte, Alfred Coppola, John Whines, and all whose years' mind fall at this time.