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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel gives us one of the great canards on the Christian faith - love God and love your neighbour but we need to be aware of what love actually is. Jesus cannot mean that warm fuzzy feeling, since we are not in control of this and he commands us to love; we cannot be commanded to have a feeling. Love is therefore a decision, an act of the will. It has nothing to do with how you feel and everything to do with what you decide.

Love is 'actively willing the good of another.' In other words, it doesn't matter how I feel about another person. I could be deeply attached to them or loathe them with a great and perfect hatred, but I am still called to pray for them, and to do good for them whenever and however possible. But again we must not confuse good with what they want or like. For the true good is always that which brings them closer to God.

Wishing you every blessing,
Fr Gerry

Quote from the Legion of Mary

"As the family goes. So goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live."

Pope John Paul II

Streaming in the Parish

Sun 25th Oct	10am – Morning Prayer 10.30am - Mass
Tues 27th Oct	7pm - Evening Prayer 7.30pm - Mass
Wed 28th Oct	9am - Morning Prayer 9.30am - Mass 1.30pm - Rosary
Thur 29 Oct	1.30pm - Rosary 7pm - Evening Prayer 7.30pm - Mass
Friday 30th Oct	9am - Morning Prayer 9.30am - Mass 1.30pm - Rosary

Readings this Sunday

**First Reading – Book of Exodus
22:20-26**

**Psalm 17 Response – ‘I Love you,
Lord, my strength.’**

**Second Reading: Saint Paul to the
Thessalonians 1:5c-10**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia,
alleluia! Open your heart, O Lord, to
accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 22: 34-40

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr Gerry is available for Confession after every Mass or if you would prefer please give him a call on 07919 416263 to arrange a mutually convenient time.



First Holy Communion

If you and your child in Year 3 and above are ready to make the journey towards receiving 1st Holy Communion next year, please complete an application form and return to Fr Gerry after Mass. Due to the current



situation, our programme this year will be very different to previous years and further information will be shared with you once applications are received.

This way we can share the most up to date guidance. It is however very important that you bring your children to Mass each week.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2021-If

you are in Year 9 or above and would like to commence preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation and

become full members of the Catholic Church please email Fr Gerry at frgerryd@gmail.com As we are due a **Bishop's Visitation in 2021 the date of this Confirmation will be Wednesday 29th September.**



Baptism

If you are thinking about preparing your child/children for Baptism please speak to Fr Gerry after Mass.

Notices

CALLING ALL TRAIN FANS AND TRANSPORT ENTHUSIASTS .

Would you be interested in the idea of forming a Railway / transport enthusiasts club here at St Teresa Rochford ?

At this and neighbouring parishes , there are a good number of parishioners who fit into the category of "train nut" or "bus freak" ect.....

So let us get together and share our interest and talents , the possibilities of what we can do are many.

For example day trips to heritage railways /model engineering / social gatherings and more . It's all there waiting for us to give it the GREEN SIGNAL . If you are interested , then please get in touch . My email is montrealwest4@gmx.com

Feast of All Souls - 2nd

November -. At the back of church you will find our 'List of the Departed' - please do check your loved one is on the list and feel free to add any names that are not on there. **November Dead envelopes** - please write the name of the person/s you wish to be remembered throughout November along with your offering and give to Fr Gerry.

Organ Fund



We are very grateful to those who have contributed to this fund so far. Please be as generous as you can so that we can continue to have music

in our worship. Thank you

Winter Fundraiser



Sadly our delicious food festival has had to be put on hold which is a big loss to our parish both financially and socially. We are therefore asking for your help once again in

supporting our **Christmas**

giant lucky draw. Tickets are £10 each with a lucky winner walking away with

£200 **JUST IN TIME FOR**

CHRISTMAS. If you would like to help you parish and buy a square please place your money in an envelope and mark for my intention or hand to me in Mass. Thank you so much for your support.

Christine

SVP - Short Street Shelter

The Food Bank is **CRITICALLY** low on these items...

Tinned Veg and meats/Fruit Juice / squash/Tuna/Coffee/sugar/tea/crisps/tinned fruit/custard/rice pudding.

During the month of November our parish will be collecting for the SVP. Together we can make a difference to people in great need. Thank you.

School News

St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

We will be having an open afternoon on **Friday 6th November 4pm - 7pm** for parents who have a child due to start school in September 2021. We also have limited spaces in Years 1-6.

If you would like to view our school or know someone who may be interested

please call the office on 01702 547918 to book an appointment.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Situations Vacant

Teaching Assistants - St Helen's Catholic Primary School , Westcliff

Headteacher - St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary, Grays (April 2021 start)

Please use this link to view all current vacancies [https://](https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/educations/vacancies/school-vacancies/)

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Parish Finance

1st Collection - **£318.77** (11th October 2020) As you can see this figure is very low, please can we ask all those unable to attend Mass to go online and make their donations. Your support is essential.

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations?parish=brentwood>

Please remember to specify either Hockley or Rochford.

Daily Prayers:

Pray for one another, that we may each hear the voice of Jesus speaking clearly to us, and that we may have hearts open to share his love, and courage to share the Gospel.



Sunday: The Sick: Mary Fugl, Martin Chandler, Lee Davis & Sian, Karen Landy, Joe Mullany, Mark, Renate Butler, Angela Read, Jonathan Somervell, Norma Goater. The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

Monday: The Sick: Stephen Kennedy, Ron and Christine Holloway, Trevor Ridgwell,

Marguerite Jakes, Louise Knight, Cory Lees, Anthony George & Mary Smith. Those who live in Appleyard Avenue, Little Stambridge Hall Road, Doggetts Close & Southview Road.

Tuesday: The Sick: Andy, Brian Holt, Anne, Baby Theo, Samuel, Nellie Smith, Mary Reilly, Edward Cunado & Andrew Stevens. For the people of Hawkwell Baptist Church and their Minister Rev Richard Iles.

Wednesday: Fr Jeff Woolnough, Fr Stewart Foster, Fr Jean Laurent Marie, Fr Kieron Dodd, Fr Liam Hayes, Geraldine Stevens, Eve Stocks, Jim Beck, Sarah Knight, Kevin Cosset, Ethan Adlum, William McArthur & Marjorie Jay. For the Queen and her ministers, that they may govern us wisely. For our own Parish Priest Fr Gerry.

Thursday: The Sick:Maureen Lumholst-Smith, Kenneth Jobson, Venus Rubertazzi,

Ellen Franklin, Jackie Gravestock, John Vasey, Sheila Van de Vyver & Len Smith. The Farming Community.

Friday: The recently departed: Sophia Clark & John and Margaret Hennessy.

Those whose anniversaries fall over the next two weeks: Miriam Whines, Hugh O'Rorke, Colin Spiers, Anthony Dick, Olga Drew, Josphe Hauser, Maud Ascias, Demond Blackman, Michael Canty, Denis Caudy, Tom Murphy, Yvonne Robinson, John Colvill, Alice Connor, Wally Heddon, Preston Yeadell, John Baker, Rebecca Bourne, Reg Twitchett, Olga Cournes, Lazlo Strecz, Thomas Moss, Chris Sergeant, Bill Downs & George Hardy.

Saturday: The Sick: Bartly Igoe, Padraig Evers, Margaret Thomas, Oliver Kelly, & Terry Lewis. Our Student Priests: Rick, Patrick, Michael, Adrian, Eamonn, Alexander, Tony, Damien & Jonathan

Sun	25	9am	Thirtieth-Sunday in Ordinary Time	Pro Populo	
		10.30am		Ints Natasha Morrison	CC
Mon	26	No Mass Today	S Evaristus PM		
Tues	27	7.30pm		Ints Ron & Christine Holloway	
Wed	28	9.30am	SS Simon & Jude		
Thur	29	7.30pm			
Friday	30	9.30am			
Sun	1	9am	All Saints		
		10.30am		John Colvill RIP	AC
Mon	2	8pm	All Souls		
Tues	3	7.30pm Healing Mass			
Wed	4	No Mass Today			
Thur	5	7.30pm	Feast of the Holy Relics		
Friday	6	9.30am			
Sun	8	9am	Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
		10.30am		Pro Populo	