

ST TERESA OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC CHURCH, LEXDEN

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PRAYER NEEDS

We continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick and housebound and especially: Lillianne Banna, George Birch, Andrew Brydon, Yvonne Couperthwaite, Ben Culhane, Sylvia Davies, Cynthia D'Cruz, Melvin Doonan, Terry Doonan, Derek Drake, Mary Fircks, Win Healy, Paul Holmes, Jill Jarvis, Kunjumon Job, Jason McLean, Jean Mendes, Michael Moran, Beata Morovicova, John Newton, James O'Neill, Eileen Pool, Beattie Preston, Jo Preston, Marion Preston, Ann Renwick, Carrienne Rogers, Margaret Scott, Ewan Thompson, Teresa Thorneycroft, Peter Townsdraw, Francesca Vassallo, Sheila Watts, Ella Weston and any unknown to us. We remember Eileen Pudney, Laura Thorne, Suzanne East, Josephine Carty, Alfred Lannen, David Reilly, Lucius Staley, Victoria Randall, Mary Bloomfield, Winifred Smale and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Sun 22nd April The Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life.

On this day we publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life. There will be a second collection for the promotion of vocations in the Diocese, this is the only source of income for this work. If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or religious life please talk to Fr Tom or contact the Vocations Director Fr Graham Smith 01702 465720 or fr.gjdsmith@gmail.com

Mass Attendance Forms for Admission into St Teresa's School

If you have a child for entry into St Teresa's School in September 2019, Mass Attendance forms are available from Fr Tom and must be signed each week after Sunday Mass. Certificates of Catholic Practice for entry to the school cannot be issued unless parents and children attend Sunday Mass (this includes the Vigil Mass at St John's) and Holy Days of Obligation.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 21st Apr

**Saturday of the Third Week of Easter
(St Anselm of Canterbury, Bp, D)**

12.30am

Vocations to the Priesthood

6.30pm

(at St John's) All Parishioners

Sunday 22nd Apr

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
(World Day of Prayer for Vocations)**

9.00am

Freyja Drake & Family (Ints)

11.00am

Daniel & Evelyn Cavanagh (RIP)(A)

Monday 23rd Apr

SOLEMNITY OF ST GEORGE, M, PATRON OF ENGLAND

10:00am

Paul Banks (RIP)

Tuesday 24th Apr

St Mellitus, Bp

10:00am

(at St John's) Trisha White (RIP)

Wed 25th Apr

FEAST OF ST MARK, EVANGELIST

10:00am

Patricia Quirke (RIP)

Thurs 26th Apr

Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter

10:00am

Margareta Titmuss (RIP)

Friday 27th Apr

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10:00am

Jadwiga Noga (RIP)

Sat 28th Apr

**Saturday of the Fourth Week of Easter
(St Peter Chanel, Pr, M)**

(St Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort, Pr)

12.30am

Vocations to the Priesthood

6.30pm

(at St John's) Trevor Lines (RIP)(A)

Sunday 29th Apr

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.00am

Rita Beatrice (RIP)

11.00am

Victoria Randall (RIP)(A)

Saturdays: 11.00am Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 12 noon

ST TERESA OF LISIEUX AND ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

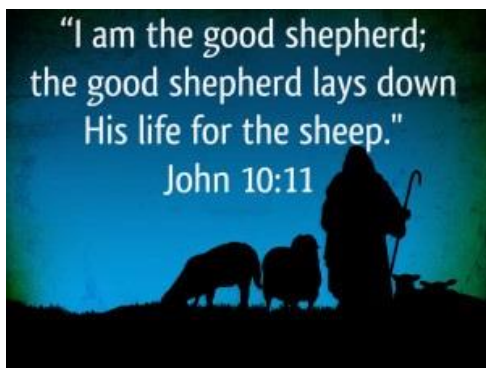
DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord, You call us by name with the words first spoken on the shore of Lake Galilee, "Follow me." Breathe deep within us the gifts of your Holy Spirit; help us to have the wisdom to hear your call, the courage to answer it and the faith to live it.

So that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, the lost are found and welcomed and all are strengthened by the grace and joy of the Sacraments.

In our parish community, our family, our home, our school, in our Diocese of Brentwood, especially inspire those whom you are calling today to the priesthood and religious life to say, "Yes, Lord. Here I am. Send me."

We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

(Good Shepherd Sunday – Day of Prayer for Vocations)

Holy Father's Intentions for April

"That leaders in financial affairs may have the courage to reject economic measures that exclude people and rather seek new inclusive approaches"

Sun 22nd April 2:30pm Rite of Acceptance for Confirmation at Brentwood Cathedral

Sun 22nd Apr 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Fourth Sunday of Easter Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer.

Mon 23rd Apr Mon 1:00-3:00pm in St Teresa's upper room. Jean Mendes presents how to make knitted ornaments, knitvity dolls and quirky animals are demonstrated. Tackle some tricky patterns in good company. Bring Size 11 (3mm) needles and oddments of double knitting wool that isn't too chunky.

Mon 23rd Apr 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 24th Apr 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall. All Welcome

Wed 25th Apr Priests' Deanery Meeting at Greenstead.

Thurs 26th Apr 8:00pm Lectio Divina in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Thurs 26th April 7:00pm Year 11 Family Mass at St Benedict's Catholic College

Fri 27th Apr 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions.

Fri 27th Apr 8:00pm The Confirmation Candidates begin their weekend retreat at Walsingham House, Abbotswick.

Mon 30th April 7:00pm Confirmation Candidates meet at St Teresa's

St Teresa's School Open Days

Fri 11th May at 10.00am **Or Thurs 28th June** at 10.00am If you would like to attend on one of these dates please call the School Office on 01206 508445

Sat 12th May 7:00pm The Knights of St Columba are holding a Race Night in St Teresa's Church Hall; Doors 7pm; Races 7.30pm; includes buffet; please bring your own drinks. £5 per person. The Knights are holding this event to raise awareness of their organisation and to support one of our young parishioners in her fundraising activities. Abigail Wetton (14) has been selected to attend the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia in August 2019 but, before this she has to raise almost £4000; a proportion of this is a subsidy to enable Scouts from poorer countries to be part of this amazing event. For Tickets call Stef on 07948 148531 or Chris on 07522 405385

Sat 5th May March for Life Family, friendly, life-fest starts at 9.30am at De Vere Connaught Rooms, 61-65, Great Queen Street, London, WC2B 5DA. Children Zone, music, workshops, Confessions, stalls, and much more. 1pm march to Parliament Square for speakers, including Clare McCullough of the GoodCounselNetwork.com. The day ends at 4.15pm. See www.marchforlife.co.uk for more details'

Thanks: The family of Mary Galletly would like to thank the parish for their kind messages, cards and support for them all during this difficult time.

Let it Be Course: Thank you to all who donated to CaFE at the end of the LET IT BE course. The amount collected was £137.45. A cheque for this amount has been sent to them.

Volunteers Needed: Essex Integration (Refugee and Migrant Support) are looking for volunteers to teach English to refugees and migrants at the Bunting Room (CO2 7AT). If you would like to know more please contact John Le Seve at john@essexintegration.org or 07504 714134

Vacancy: School Chaplain at All Saints Catholic School Dagenham. For more information please email office@allsaintsschool.co.uk

Offertory Collection 15th April 2018 Baskets: £525.45 Gift Aid: £191.02