

ST TERESA OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC CHURCH, LEXDEN

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PRAYER NEEDS

We continue to pray for those parishioners we know who are sick and housebound and especially Melvin Doonan, Terry Doonan, Viv Doonan, Michael Moran, Eileen Pool, Elizabeth Ward, Sheila Watt and any who are not known to us

We remember Tommy Manson, Margaret Clifford, Hilda Gilmour, James Riley, Maureen McWilliams, Dorothee Fisher, Edward Newbury, John Gillespie, Frances Pearce, Fiona Stevenson, Arthur Greetham, Patricia Craste, William Walters, Mary Kelly and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Recent Deaths:

Jim Hall of Albertine Close died in Bart's Hospital on 22nd Jan. He is survived by his wife RoseMarie, daughter Joanna and son Simon. Funeral Mass: Tues 12th Feb 1:00pm followed by burial. Body received into the church Mon 11th Feb 4:30pm

Nataša Casale of The Avenue died at home on 30th Jan. She is survived by her husband Fabrizio. Funeral Mass Thurs 14th Feb 12noon. Body received into the church Wed 13th Feb 4:00pm

May those who have died rest in peace and those that mourn be comforted.

Mon 11th Feb is the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Our Lady of Lourdes is the Principal Patroness of the Diocese. Mass at St Teresa's will be at 10:00am which will include the Anointing of the Sick. *The Anointing is for those who have a serious or ongoing serious illness, those preparing for major surgery and the elderly.* There will be a second collection after all Masses for the Lourdes Sick and Helpers Pilgrimage Fund

Hospital Visits – If you or a relative is in hospital and would like Fr Tom to visit please let us know. (01206) 576898

Sun Feb 17th is Racial Justice Sunday – We are asked to pray for the Catholic Church in promoting racial justice in our schools, parishes and in wider society. There will be a second collection after all Masses to support this work.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 9th Feb

12:30pm

6.30pm

Our Lady on Saturday

Vocations to the Priesthood

(at St John's) Tony & Rina Bolton (RIP)

Sunday 10th Feb

9.00am

11.00am

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

All Parishioners

Elsie Sired (RIP)

Mon 11th Feb

10:00am

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

(World Day for the Sick)

Sick Parishioners

Tues 12th Feb

10:00am

1:00pm

Mass of the Day

(at St John's) Phyl Burns &

Deceased Members of the Burns Family

FUNERAL MASS: Jim Hall (RIP)

Wed 13th Feb

8:30am

Mass of the Day

Robert & Bernadette O'Hara (Ints)

Thurs 14th Feb

12:00noon

Feast of Ss Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bp

FUNERAL MASS: Nataša Casale (RIP)

Fri 15th Feb

10:00am

Mass of the Day

Deceased of the Cowell Family

Sat 16th Feb

12:30pm

6.30pm

Our Lady on Saturday

Joan Hedges (RIP)

(at St John's) All Parishioners

Sunday 17th Feb

9.00am

11.00am

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

(Racial Justice Day)

Rosalie Bull (RIP)

Theresa Brown (RIP)

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Holy Father's Intentions for February

"For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution and of violence"

Sun 10th Feb 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Sunday Reflection; Rosary; Evening Prayer and Benediction

Mon 11th Feb – Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Mass with Anointing of the Sick

Tues 12th Feb 7:30pm Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics

Thurs 14th Feb 7:30pm SHARING GOD'S WORD.

Please come and join us at St Teresa's to read, reflect, discuss, and share passages from Scripture and also the writings of Pope Francis. Through prayer and discussion we seek to understand how we can apply these insights to our lives. All welcome

Thurs 14th Feb 8:00pm Finance Meeting

Fri 15th Feb 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions and Benediction

Fri 15th Feb St Teresa's Youth Group in the Church Hall 5:00 – 6:45pm (Years 4, 5 and 6) and 7:00 – 9:00pm (Year 7 upwards)

Sat 16th Feb 3:00pm Convalidation of Marriage

Sat 16th Feb - Parish Italian Night

Fund-raising for Lourdes 2019 will be starting with an Italian Night on in St Teresa's School hall! The young people from the parish going to assist in this year's Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage will welcome your continued support. Please make a note in your diaries - book early to avoid disappointment! - places can now be booked by contacting Toni on (07962) 014747 or email tonifusi@btinternet.com

Mon 18th Feb 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting

Tues 19th Feb 2:30pm Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Thurs 21st Feb 2:00pm St Vincent de Paul meeting in the Church

Mon 25th Feb 6:45pm – 8:15pm Confirmation Preparation at St Teresa's

Mon 25th Feb 1:00-3:00pm Catholic Craft Circle meet in the Upper room to pray and prepare crafts for the end of year bazaar. All are welcome, knitters especially! Come along to learn new crafts or knit and chat please see poster at back of church for more information.

Tues 26th Feb 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall.

First Reconciliation Preparation 2018/19

Sat 9th Mar 9:30am Session for parents in the church and children in the School Hall

Sat 9th Mar 2:00pm and 3:00pm Children's First Confessions

GLOBAL HEALING – Wed 13th March and Wed 20th March 2019

"How our faith helps us to care for our common home"

A new film produced by CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) Film Company, sponsored by the Bishops. Join us in the church hall at 7:30pm for a free and inspiring evening of film, food & Friendship, in response to Pope Francis' call to care for creation and to pass on a healthy planet to our children and our children's children.

Saturday 30 Mar 2019 - Parish Retreat Day at Clare Priory

As in the past it will be open to all parishioners. Further details and programme will be announced in due course, but you may wish to mark the date in your diary in the meantime.

Oberammergau Passion Play – August 22nd 2020 (9 days)

"Oberammergau and the Austrian Tyrol". 24 parishioners are travelling, the trip is now closed. Those travelling please ensure you obtain your booking form and return it with your deposit cheque – *by the end of Sunday*.

Clothes for the Homeless: Adrian Rowley is coordinating the collection of warm clothes and blankets for men and women who are homeless in Colchester. He is willing to collect. Please contact Adrian at (07517) 421956

Rota of Ministries: the new rota is available at the back of the Church and online. It will also be mailed to the Ministers who have given their e mail address.

100 Club - If you wish to renew your membership, payments are due so please put cash or cheque in envelope through Fr Tom's door marked "100 Club" If you wish to join the club as a new member please email stteresaslexden@hotmail.co.uk

Offertory Collection 3rd Feb 2018 Baskets: £494.80 Gift Aid: £206.53

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