

ST TERESA OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC CHURCH, LEXDEN

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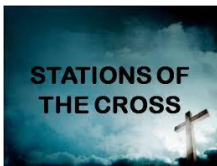
PRAYER NEEDS

We continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick and housebound and especially: Percy Abrahams, Lilianne 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 James Riley, Maureen McWilliams, Dorothee Fisher, Edward Newbury, John Gillespie, Frances Pearce, Fiona Stevenson, Arthur Greetham, Patricia Craste, William Walters, Mary Kelly, William Humphrey and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

SEASON OF LENT



Feb 14th Ash Wednesday
(Day of Fasting and Abstinence from meat)
Masses 10:00am (St Teresa's)
8:00pm (St John's)
With the Distribution of Sacred Ashes



Stations of the Cross – Every Friday in Lent
2:30pm – Divine Mercy Stations
Feb 16th – St Teresa's
7:30pm – Evening Stations
Feb 16th - St Teresa's

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 10th Feb	St Scholastica, V
12:30pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
6:30pm	(at St John's) John McFadden (RIP)(40 th Wedding Anniv)
Sunday 11th Feb	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
	World Day for the Sick – Day for the Unemployed
9.00am	All Parishioners
11.00am	World Day for the Sick
Monday 12th Feb	Mass of the Day
10:00am	Panoecia Gaunt & Family (Ints)
Tuesday 13th Feb	Mass of the Day
10:00am	(at St John's) Johanna Jennings (RIP)
Wed 14th Feb	ASH WEDNESDAY
	(Day of Fasting and Abstinence from meat)
10:00am	Jim McEvoy (RIP)
8:00pm	(at St John's) All Parishioners
Thurs 15th Feb	Mass of the Day for Lent
10:00am	Ida Ray (RIP)
Friday 16th Feb	Mass of the Day for Lent
10:00am	Brendan Hearn (RIP)
Sat 17th Feb	Mass of the Day for Lent
12:30pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
6:30pm	(at St John's) Pacita Abalos (RIP)(A)
Sunday 18th Feb	FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT (B)
9.00am	Mary Shea and Albert & Sheila Sheppey (RIP)
11.00am	All Parishioners

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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Holy Father's Intentions for February

"Say 'No' to Corruption – That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist the lure of corruption"

Recent Deaths

Bob Spurgeon of Grymes Dyke Court died on 19th Jan in Colchester Hospital. Funeral arrangements: Funeral Mass Thurs 22nd Feb at 10:00am followed by burial at Colchester Cemetery.

Jaqueline Evans of Boadicea Way died on Wed 31st Jan at home. She is survived by her husband Steven and family. Funeral arrangements: Funeral Service at Wed 28th Feb at 11:00am followed by Cremation at 12:30pm.

Parish Council Elections: Katherine Edwards was elected as Chair and John Bradley was elected as Secretary and Vice-Chair for 2017/18 **Other Parish Council Members:** John Bradley, Katherine Edwards, Jade North, Emily Copeland, Alexina Weston, Adrian Rowley, Sarah McDonald, John McCabe, Claire Taylor, Tom Fusi, Jamie McLaughlin, George Benedict.

Sun 11th Feb World Day of Prayer for the Sick. The Sacrament of Healing will be celebrated within each Sunday Mass. *The Anointing for the Sick 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 for the Lourdes Sick and Helpers Pilgrimage Fund

Sun 11th Feb 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer and Benediction

Mon 12th Feb 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 13th Feb 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall. As last time, please bring along any objects or pictures with a story that you can share. All very welcome.

14th Feb 2017 SEASON OF LENT

Ash Wednesday.

Day of Fasting and Abstinence from meat. Masses with the Distribution of Sacred Ashes 10:00am (at St Teresa's) and 8:00pm (at St John's)

Thurs 15th Feb 8:00pm Finance Meeting at St Teresa's

Fri 16th Feb 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 2:30pm Divine Mercy Stations of the Cross

Sun 18th Feb 3:00pm Rite of Election at Brentwood Cathedral for those being received into the church at the Easter Vigil. Andrew Thomas, Charlotte Larcom and Christopher Lawrence will be sent forth to the Rite from the 9:00AM Mass.

Mon 19th Feb 7:00pm Confirmation Preparation at St Teresa's

Tues 20th Feb 2:30pm Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 20th Feb 8:00pm Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

'LET IT BE' Done Unto me According to Your Word.

Wed 21st Feb and following 4 Wednesdays at 7:30pm in St Teresa's Church Hall.



5 engaging DVD sessions produced by the CaFE team, on how our mother Mary helps us to be filled with God. Filmed in location in Walsingham, The Holy Land, Ephesus, Rome, Montserrat, Lourdes and Knock. It will be café style with tea/coffee/wine and nibbles, with discussion groups after the DVDs. If you would like to attend please put your name down on the list at the back of the church.

Thurs 22nd Feb 2:00pm St Vincent de Paul Society meet at St Teresa's

Thurs 22nd Feb 8:00pm Lectio Divina in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Fri 23rd Feb CAFOD Lenten Fast Day. There will be a collection on Sun 25th Feb.

Fri 23rd Feb St Teresa's Youth Group in the Church Hall **5:00 – 6:30pm** (Years 4,5 and 6) and **6:30 – 9:00pm** (Year 7 upwards)

First Holy Communion Preparation Session

Sat 24th Feb 9:30am Meeting for children in the church hall and parents in the Church. The children will be involved in the 9:00am Mass on Sun 25th Feb.

Sat 24th Feb Stewards of the Gospel day at Brentwood Cathedral.

Sat 10th March Parish Retreat Day at Clare Priory. All parishioners are welcome. Booking forms are available at the back of the church.

Prayer for Vocations As we pray every day for vocations the Diocese has also provided a link on their website which they encourage everyone to visit, to hear and share the inspirational stories of our priests and seminarians. Please visit

<http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/news/vocation-voices/>

Weekend Feb 4th Offertory Collection: Baskets £497.67 Gift Aid Envelopes £232.65