

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 <removed for internet> and any who are not known to us

We remember Glen Parker, David Whytock, Annie Taylor, Roman Lange, Geraldine Shead, Catherine Libby, Patrick Burton, Derek Golding, Bill Coverley, Dermot Moriarty, Sister Helen Walsh, Jean Jones and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

SEASON OF LENT



Mar 6th

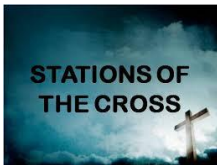
Ash Wednesday

(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

(with St Albright's C of E Church)

2:30pm – Divine Mercy Stations at St Teresa's

7:30pm – Evening Stations

(Mar 8th Mar 22nd and Apr 5th - St Teresa's)

(Mar 15th Mar 29th and Apr 12th – St Albright's)

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 23rd Feb

12:30pm

6.30pm

St Polycarp, Bp, M

Veronica McKentey (RIP)(Bday Memorial Ints)

(at St John's) All Parishioners

Sunday 24th Feb

9.00am

11.00am

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

David Whytock (RIP)(A)

Derek & Philip Alexander (RIP)(A)

Mon 25th Feb

10:00am

Mass of the Day

Kath Jukes (RIP)

Tues 26th Feb

10:00am

Mass of the Day

(at St John's) Rudy La Chapelle (RIP)

Wed 27th Feb

10:00am

Mass of the Day

Rosalie Bull (RIP)

Thurs 28th Feb

10:00am

Mass of the Day

Jim Hall (RIP)

Fri 1st Mar

10:00am

Feast of St David, Bp, Patron of Wales

(Women's World Day of Prayer)

Thanksgiving

Sat 2nd Mar

12:30pm

6.30pm

St Nicholas Owen, M

Sr Helen Walsh (RIP)

(at St John's) Kerr Family (Ints)

Sunday 3rd Mar

9.00am

11.00am

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

(Day of the Unemployed)

All Parishioners

John Thorneycroft (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.

SEVENTH 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 24th Feb 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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.

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

Mon 25th Feb 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 26th Feb 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall. The theme will be Art.

Wed 27th Feb 7:00pm Fr Tom celebrates a family Mass at St Benedict's College

Thurs 28th Feb 7:30pm Liturgy Committee Meeting

Thurs 28th 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

Fri 1st Mar 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions and Benediction

Mon 4th Mar 7:00pm Partnership Clergy and SoGs Meeting at Wivenhoe

Mon 4th Mar 6:45pm – 8:15pm Confirmation Preparation at St Teresa's

Tues 5th Mar 2:30pm Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 5th Mar 7:30pm Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics

Wed 6th Mar Ash Wednesday. *Beginning the Season of Lent*

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. There will be 3 further presentations as follows: **27 Mar** - God's Creation. **3 Apr** - Damage and Waste. **10 Apr** - New lifestyle

Saturday 30 Mar 2019 - Parish Retreat Day at Clare Priory

Signing up forms for the Day of Retreat at Clare Priory are available at the back of the Church. The format of the day will be similar to that for previous years but this year we will have a particular focus for discussion and reflection. If you wish to attend please complete a form and return together with payment cheque to Fr Tom at the presbytery as soon as possible, and by Wednesday 13 March 2019 at the latest. The cost is £16 per person (Priory Fee) which includes tea/ coffee through the day. Please note that you will need to bring your own packed lunch.

Italian Night A big thank you to all who supported this event and also those who helped prepare the school hall, prepare and serve the food, arrange and man the bar, wash up and big clean up afterwards! A massive £2500 was raised thanks to ticket sales, donations and raffle donations. Our young people were a real credit on the day and in the evening and worked hard to ensure all went smoothly! Mille grazie! Toni

Message from the family of Jim Hall: Dear Parish Family, RoseMarie, Joanna, Simon and all Jim's family would like to express our sincere and grateful thanks to all family, friends and parishioners for all the support, cards, prayers, love and Masses and especially for joining us to celebrate Jim's life. Our most sincere thanks especially to Fr Tom for making Jim's Funeral Mass so very Special. God Bless you all

St James the Less & St Helen – A Series of Lent Talks

Fri 8th March 2019 Dr. Helen Costigane SHCJ "Giving Up or Taking Up?" Dr. Helen Costigane lectures in the Institute of Theology at St Mary's University, Twickenham. There will be time for Questions and Discussion. Tea and Coffee available. Finish time 9.00pm at latest. All welcome. Admission free

Offertory Collection 17th Feb 2018 Baskets: £539.86 Gift Aid: £232.05

Second Collection: Racial Justice Sunday Baskets: £365.47 Gift Aid: £80.90

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