

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 Maurice O'Connell, Barry Rhodes, Robert Power, Anthony Pratt, Philip Alexander, Ruby Farrell, Imelda Foulger, Evelyn Montgomery, Kathleen Stickley, Maura Medici, Derek Clough, Joseph Withnall and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Recent Deaths:

Rita St Louis of Mario Way died at St Helena Hospice on 1st Jan. She is survived by her sons Jason and Donald and her daughter Melissa. Funeral Mass: 6th Feb 12:30pm at St Teresa's followed by burial at Colchester Cemetery

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. 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 arrangements to follow.

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.*

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

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 2nd Feb

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
(World Day of Prayer of Consecrated Life)

12:30pm

Vocations to the Priesthood

6.30pm

(at St John's) Odette Yates (RIP)

Sunday 3rd Feb

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

9.00am

Ursula Furze (RIP)

11.00am

Private Intention

Mon 4th Feb

Mass of the Day

10:00am

Kath Jukes (RIP)

Tues 5th Feb

St Agatha, V, M

10:00am

(at St John's) Ger Murphy (RIP)

Wed 6th Feb

(St Paul Miki and Comps, Mm)

12:30pm

FUNERAL MASS: Rita St Louis (RIP)

Thurs 7th Feb

Mass of the Day

10:00am

Rosalie Bull (RIP)

Fri 8th Feb

St Josephine Bakhita, V
(St Jerome Emiliani, Rel)

10:00am

Chris Matthew (RIP)

Sat 9th Feb

Our Lady on Saturday

12:30pm

Vocations to the Priesthood

6.30pm

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

Sunday 10th Feb

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

9.00am

All Parishioners

11.00am

Elsie Sired (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.

FOURTH 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"

3rd Feb is the Feast of St Blaise. It is customary to bless throats on this day so there will be the blessing of St Blaise after all Masses.

Sun 3rd Feb 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Mon 4th Feb 11:00am Fr Tom gives a talk to the University of the Third Age

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

Mon 4th Feb 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

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

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

Wed 6th Feb Confirmation Candidates attend the BCYS Youth Mass at Brentwood cathedral

Thurs 7th Feb 2:00pm St Vincent de Paul meeting in the Church

Thurs 7th Feb 7:00pm Clergy and Stewards of the Gospel meeting in Frinton

Fri 8th Feb 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions and Benediction

First Holy Communion Preparation 2018/19

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

Sun 10th Feb 9:00am Mass The children will be involved in the Mass

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

Thurs 14th Feb 8:00pm Finance Meeting

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)

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

Oberammergau Passion Play – August 22nd 2020 (9 days - £1399)

(Other options suggested are no longer available) The tour will be with Leger travel "*Oberammergau and the Austrian Tyrol*". Details of the tour including itinerary are at the back of the church. **Please let us know if you wish to travel by Monday 5th Feb as tickets are going fast.** Please also indicate if you are willing to share a twin room as very few single rooms are available.

Children's' Liturgy -Please Register Your Children today!

The Liturgy of the Word for Children is held at the Sunday 9.00 a.m. Mass in the Church Hall for the younger children (4-7 year olds) who have not started First Holy Communion preparation.

In order to assist with safeguarding, and so we can get in touch, we need to register the children who attend the Children's Liturgy. Because of the Data Protection laws, we need your consent to store this information, and we will re-register the Children every year so that the information, and your consent, is current. Previous registrations will be destroyed. Forms (and pens!) will be available after Mass-please fill in a form for your children before you leave.

We are also very short of catechists and helpers for the Children's Liturgy-if you can help out please let Adrian Manley know on 07751515112.

Parish Italian Night

Fund-raising for Lourdes 2019 will be starting with an Italian Night on Saturday 16th February in St Teresa's School hall! This popular event has been well attended in the past, and again 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 More information to follow!

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. It will also be e 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 28th Jan 2018 Baskets: £532.72 Gift Aid: £234.54

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