

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 Townsdrow, Francesca Vassallo, Sheila Watts, Ella Weston and any unknown to us. We remember Robert Power, Anthony Pratt, Philip Alexander, Ruby Farrell, Imelda Foulger, Kathleen Stickley, Maura Medici, Derek Clough, Evelyn Montgomery, Joseph Withnall, Tommy Manson, Margaret Clifford, Hilda Gilmour and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

'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.

Sun 11th Feb is the World Day for the Sick

There will be a second collection for the Lourdes Sick and Helpers Pilgrimage Fund

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 3rd Feb	St Anne Line, M (St Ansgar, St Blaise)
12:30pm	Alfred Fox (RIP)(A)
6:30pm	(at St John's) All Parishioners
Sunday 4th Feb	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
9.00am	Jo Cronin (Ints)
11.00am	Terry Dukes (RIP)(A)
Monday 5th Feb	St Agatha, V, M
10:00am	Eddie O'Lack (Bday Ints)
Tuesday 6th Feb	
10:00am	(at St John's) FUNERAL MASS: Johanna Jennings (RIP)
Wed 7th Feb	Mass of the Day
10:00am	Phyl Burns and the Deceased of the Burns Family (RIP)
Thurs 8th Feb	St Jerome Emiliani, Rel (St Josephine Bakhita, V)
Day of Prayer for Victims of Trafficking and Those Who Work to Combat it	
10:00am	Ian Sykes (Bday Ints)
Friday 9th Feb	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
10:00am	Kate Brignall (RIP)
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

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 (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"

Sun 4th Feb 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer and Benediction

Mon 5th Feb 12:30pm Fr Tom will celebrate a Year 7 Class Mass at St Benedict's College

Mon 5th Feb 7:00pm Confirmation Preparation at St Teresa's

Mon 5th Feb 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 6th Feb 2:30 – 3:30pm Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 6th Feb 7:00pm Liturgy Meeting at St Teresa's

Tues 6th Jan 8:00pm Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Wed 7th Feb 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting at St Teresa's

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

Fri 9th Feb 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions.

Saturday 10th Feb Fund-raising for Lourdes 2018 will be starting with an Italian Night 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.

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.*

SEASON OF LENT 14th Feb 2017 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

Sun 18th Feb 3:00pm Rite of Election at Brentwood Cathedral for those being received into the church at the Easter Vigil.

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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 10th March Parish Retreat Day at Clare Priory. All parishioners are welcome. Further details will follow.

5th-11th March Exhibition on the Shroud of Turin, Our Lady Immaculate, Chelmsford
The exhibition about the Shroud of Turin includes a full sized replica of the Shroud. The exhibition opens with Mass at 7.30pm on Mon 5th March. Each day there are confessions, Stations of the Cross and Mass. The week culminates with Mass at 12noon on Saturday 10th March. The exhibition will remain in place on Sunday 11th March. The church is open from 7am until 8pm each day. Everyone is very welcome. If you would like to know more, please contact the parish office on 01245 352898.

Sun 18th Feb 2:00pm at Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, Melbourne, Chelmsford 'Hope in times of vulnerability': a talk delivered by Dr Lea Verstricht, a Belgian theologian. For more information please call 01206-867296.

Vacancy: Flexible part-time Bookkeeper and Financial Administrator for the Canonesses of the Holy Sepulchre (www.canonesses.co.uk). 60 hours a month. Salary in line with bookkeeping norms. For more information email crssuk@canonesses.co.uk closing date 8th February 2018.

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 Jan 28th Offertory Collection: Baskets £631.41 Gift Aid Envelopes £235.02
Second collection for Racial Justice: Baskets £257.15 Gift Aid Envelopes £102.52