

# 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, Joanna Jennings, Kunjumon Job, Jason McLean, Jean Mendes, Michael Moran, Beata Morovicova, 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 Letitia Richards, Monica Godfrey, Carmalina Tamaro, Barbara Pavey, Joseph Farrell Sr, Mary Adams, Nan O'Malley, Marguerite Crowley, Peter Blake, Enrica Hulbert, Millicent Rogers, Rose Newell, Maureen Carter and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

### **Pax Christi**

This week there will be a second collection for Pax Christi. Their work is based on the Gospel and inspired by Faith.

Pax Christi works for

Peace – based on justice. A world where human rights are respected, basic needs are met and people feel safe and valued in their communities.

Reconciliation – a process which begins when people try to mend relationships – between individuals or whole countries after times of violence or dispute.

Nonviolence – a way of living and making choices that respects others, challenges what is not fair or just, and offers alternatives to violence and war.

### **Brentwood Catholic Children's Society**

The Christmas crib collection is a major source of funding for the society. There is a basket for donations beside the crib in each church.

# MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

## Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

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| <b>Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>     | <b>St Hilary, Bp, D</b>  |
| 12:30pm                            | Vocations to the Priesthood  |
| 6:30pm                             | (at St John's) Grandchildren of the Kerr Family                                    |
| <b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>  | <b>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b>  |
|                                    | <b>(Peace Day)</b>   |
| 9.00am                             | Stephen and Christina Mooney (RIP)(A)  |
| 11.00am                            | All Parishioners   |
| <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>  | <b>Mass of the Day</b>   |
| 10:00am                            | Deceased of the Brignell Family  |
| <b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Jan</b> | <b>Mass of the Day</b>   |
| 10:00am                            | (at St John's) Derek & Eileen Smith (Wedding Anniversary)                          |
| <b>Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>     | <b>St Anthony, Ab</b>  |
| 10:00am                            | Deceased of the Cowell Family  |
|                                    | THE OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY (18 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan) |
| <b>Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>   | <b>Mass for the Unity of Christians</b>  |
| 10:00am                            | Jacques Sykes (Bday Ints)  |
| <b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>  | <b>Mass for the Unity of Christians</b>  |
|                                    | <b>(St Wulstan)</b>  |
| 10:00am                            | Dec'd Relatives of the Bull Family   |
| <b>Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>     | <b>St Sebastian, M</b>   |
|                                    | <b>(St Fabian, P, M)</b>   |
| 12:30pm                            | Vocations to the Priesthood  |
| 6:30pm                             | (at St John's) David Burdett (RIP)(Wedding Anniv)                                  |
| <b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Jan</b>  | <b>THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</b>   |
| 9.00am                             | Ben Smart (RIP)(A)   |
| 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.

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

### Holy Father's Intentions for January

"That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom"

**Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer and Benediction

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Jan 8:00pm** Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Tues Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 2:00 – 3:30pm** Friendship Club in the Church Hall. The next Hundred Club draw will take place during the afternoon. Everyone Welcome

**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 8:00pm** Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 7:00pm** Parish Meeting in St Teresa's Church to discuss the next stage of Diocesan Renewal and Restructuring. We will be discussing the Diocesan document "Working Together to Evangelise Our Diocese". Copies are available at the back of the church or it is available on the Diocesan website [www.dioceseofbrentwood.net](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net)

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 12:30pm** Fr Tom will be celebrating a Class Mass at St Benedict's School for Year 7 students.

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 2:00pm** (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions.

**Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Jan** 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)

**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 7:00pm** Confirmation Preparation in the Church

**Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2:30pm** Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Jan 8:00pm** Lectio Divina in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

### **First Holy Communion Preparation Session**

**Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 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 28<sup>th</sup> Jan.

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 1:00-3:00pm Catholic Craft Circle at St Teresa's.** Interested in crafting but don't know where to begin? The Catholic craft circle welcomes you to an informal sharing of skills that takes place once a month. Bring craft of your choice and be among good company. The first meeting in January features cardmaking. Please see the poster at the back for more details

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 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 07962014747 or email [tonifusi@btinternet.com](mailto:tonifusi@btinternet.com). More information to follow!

**Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Feb and following 4 Wednesdays at 7:30pm in St Teresa's Church Hall. 'LET IT BE' Done Unto me According to Your Word.** 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.

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> March** Parish Retreat Day at Clare Priory. All parishioners are welcome. Further details will follow.

**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> February, 6.30pm** Brentwood Cathedral. An evening for young people aged 14-25, with Barry and Margaret Mizen speaking at 6.30pm, then the **BCYS monthly Youth Mass at 8.00pm**. Come and hear a story of amazing forgiveness and hope. Come and be introduced to SiLent. Come and enjoy the company of young people from across the Diocese. Pizza and drinks provided. If you want to know more about SiLent please visit [www.millionminutes.org/brentwood](http://www.millionminutes.org/brentwood)

### **First Diocese of Brentwood Pilgrimage to Knock (Ireland) 2018 led by Bishop Alan**

The Diocese will be travelling to Knock 28<sup>th</sup> May– 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2018. Price £699 per person. Please contact Knock Pilgrimages on 01268 762278 for more information.

### **Diocese of Brentwood Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018 led by Bishop Alan**

The Diocese will be travelling to Lourdes 23<sup>rd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> July 2018. Theme: "Do whatever he tells you". Please contact Pilgrimage Administrator Cathy O'Connor for more information on 01206 735623.