

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 Samantha Nesbitt, Alice Howlett, Elizabeth Lange, Jo Gadsdon, Ronald Pitt, Baby Joseph Jarman, Christopher North, Terence Dukes, Linda O'Neill, Betty Byrne, Winifred McDowell, Jackie Evans, John Gill and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Recent Deaths:

Joan Harvey of Queen's Rd died in Colchester Hospital. She is survived by her sons Wayne and Miles. Funeral Mass: 31st Jan 10:00am followed by Cremation.

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 arrangements to follow.

May those who have died rest in peace and those that mourn be comforted.

Holocaust Memorial Day – Today is the day when in cities and towns across the United Kingdom events are being held to mark the liberation of Auschwitz and to remember the evil and injustice which has characterised genocide whenever it has appeared. Holocaust Memorial Day puts us on our guard against what happens when prejudice and racism are allowed to go unchallenged.

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. Please give generously.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 26th Jan	Ss Timothy & Titus, Bpp
12:30pm	Helen Jay (Bday Ints)
6.30pm	(at St John's) All Parishioners
Sunday 27th Jan	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)
	(Holocaust Memorial Day)
9.00am	Christopher North (RIP)(A)
11.00am	Terry Dukes (RIP)(A)
Mon 28th Jan	St Thomas Aquinas, Pr, D
10:00am	Kath Jukes (RIP)
Tues 29th Jan	Mass of the Day
10:00am	(at St John's) Barry Rhodes (RIP)(A)
Wed 30th Jan	Mass of the Day
9:30am	Angel Balthazar (RIP)(A)
Thurs 31st Jan	(St John Bosco, Pr)
10:00am	FUNERAL MASS: JOAN HARVEY (RIP)
Fri 1st Feb	Mass of the Day
10:00am	Thanksgiving Intention
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

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.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Holy Father's Intentions for January

"That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world."

Sun 27th Jan 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer and Benediction
The Knights of St Columba will be praying at the Holy Hour for the intentions of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

Mon 28th Jan 1:00-3:00pm Catholic craft circle meeting in the upper room at St Teresa's. Recycle old Christmas cards into new crafts; Knit wine bottle hats and scarves and lively general planning for the year ahead. For more info on what to bring please see posters at the back of church.

Mon 28th Jan 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 29th Jan 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall. Ian Frewer will be giving a talk on his and his wife Katie's trip to the Holy Land.

Tues 29th Jan 7:30pm Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics

Wed 30th Jan Priests' Deanery Meeting in Frinton.

Wed 30th Jan 7:30pm - Meeting re: Oberammergau Passion Play (May - Oct 2020)

22 parishioners have registered an interest in attending the Passion Play. This meeting is for these people and any others who are interested in travelling to look at potential dates and travel options.

Thurs 31st Jan 2:00pm St Vincent de Paul meeting in the Church

Fri 1st Feb 2:00pm Burial of the Ashes of Myra Kinsey at Colchester Cemetery

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

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

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

Pilgrimage – Saints of the North

The next payment is *due by 31st Jan*. £126 per person (cheques should be made payable to St Teresa's Catholic Church)

BCYS Summer Lourdes Pilgrimage 20th – 27th July 2019 - YOUTH

Join the **Brentwood Catholic Youth Service** in Lourdes this Summer as we travel alongside the diocese, assisting the elderly and infirm on their annual pilgrimage. Also a retreat, daily Masses and excursions for the young people, as well as the Lourdes Torchlight Procession and Blessed Sacrament Procession. Places will be allocated to ensure as many parishes and schools as possible from the diocese are represented and applications will remain open until 31st January 2019. Where we receive a large number from one school or parish, places will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis. *Please be aware, this event is always heavily oversubscribed.*

The pilgrimage is open to anyone currently in school year 10 and above and the cost will be around £570 (TBC). For all information and the chance to apply, please visit www.bcys.net/events or please email gabriellafusi@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 21st July for 5 nights. Theme: Blessed are the poor, for the kingdom of God is yours" Hotel Beau Site from £794, Hotel Mediterranee from £814, Hotel Padoue from £834 and Hotel Solitude from £884. Please contact Tangney Tours at 01732 886666 or sales@tangney-tours.com

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

Saturday 30 Mar 2019 - Parish Retreat Day at Clare Priory

As in the past it will be open to all parishioners. Further details and programme will be announced in due course, but you may wish to mark the date in your diary in the meantime.

Offertery Collection 21st Jan 2018 Baskets: £642.41 Gift Aid: £267.10

Second collection: Pax Christi Baskets: £169.74 Gift Aid:£92.25

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