

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 Rosalie Bull, Melvin Doonan, Terry Doonan, Viv Doonan, Michael Moran, Eileen Pool, Elizabeth Ward, Sheila Watt and any who are not known to us

We remember Mary Gildea, Elizabeth Tuckwell, Joyce Hosford, Mabel Cannon, Winifred Benjacar, Jack Ransom, Diana Cheeld, Angela Rowley, Mary Defen, Maria Anzalone, John O'Connor, Teresa Adamson, Marie Soares, Veronica Ashton and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

The Epiphany of the Lord (C)

Recent Deaths:

Kenneth Smith of Stratford St Mary died on 14th Dec. He is survived by his wife Simone and daughters Caroline, Suki and Rebecca. Funeral Service: Thurs 10th Jan 1:45pm at St Teresa's followed by Cremation

Jeanine Mo of Oakland Avenue died on 7th Dec. Funeral Mass: Fri 11th Jan 11:00am at St Teresa's followed by burial.

Kath Jukes of Jefferson Close died on 18th Dec. She is survived by her husband Mick, and by her daughter Emma and sons Gareth and Stuart. Funeral Mass: Mon 14th Jan 11:00am followed by Cremation

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.

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 5th Jan	Saturday before the Epiphany
12:30pm	Jack Ransom (RIP)(A)
6.30pm	(at St John's) Teresa and Tina Perotti (Ints)
Sunday 6th Jan	SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
9.00am	All Parishioners
11.00am	Jane Reilly (RIP)
Mon 7th Dec	Monday after Epiphany
	(St Raymond of Penyafort, Pr)
10:00am	Eucharistic Service
Tues 8th Dec	Tuesday after Epiphany
10:00am	(at St John's) Faithful Departed
Wed 9th Jan	Wednesday after Epiphany
10:00am	Peter & Veronica Rowley (RIP)
Thurs 10th Jan	Thursday after Epiphany
10:00am	Brian Mulvey (RIP)
Fri 11th Jan	Friday after Epiphany
11:00am	FUNERAL MASS: Jeanine Mo (RIP)
Sat 12th Jan	Saturday after Epiphany
	(St Aelred of Rievaulx)
12:30pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
6.30pm	(at St John's) Deceased of the Kerr Family
Sunday 13th Jan	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (C)
9.00am	The Hall Family (Ints)
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.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (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."

2019 White Flower Appeal for the Protection of Unborn Children

"Please be a friend to unborn babies and their mothers"

There will be a collection next week for the work of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC)

Sun 6th Jan 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Epiphany of the Lord

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

Mon 7th Jan 6:45pm – 8:15pm Confirmation Preparation at St Teresa's

Mon 7th Jan 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 8th Jan 2:30pm Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 8th Jan 7:30pm Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics

Certificates of Catholic Practice for Schools Admission

Wed 9th Jan 2:00 – 3:00pm and 6:00 – 6:30pm Fr Tom will be signing Certificates of Catholic Practice for parents *with completed attendance forms only*. Please come to the meeting room upstairs in the church bringing the attendance forms.

Thurs 10th Jan 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 11th Jan 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions and Benediction

Tues 15th Jan 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall. The 100 Club Draw will happen during the session. All welcome!

Wed 16th Jan 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting at St Teresa's

Fri 18th Jan 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 22nd Jan 7.30pm There will be a meeting of Eucharistic Ministers at St Teresa's. This will be an opportunity to review, update and affirm how we carry out our Eucharistic Ministry. It will provide a forum for questions, suggestions and comments relating to ministry at the three main weekend Masses, at daily Mass, and when taking Communion to the housebound or sick. All ministers are encouraged to attend if possible.

Parish Retreat Day at Clare Priory

This will be held on Saturday 30 Mar 2019. 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.

Sat 19th Jan 2019 - 10.30am-12.00noon Mgr David Manson will be giving a talk on "The Spirituality of Pope Francis" at Cathedral House Conference Centre, Brentwood. Contact details: jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org Tel. 01277 265285.

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Wed 23rd and Wed 30th Jan 7:00pm Fr Adrian Graffy will lead an exploration of the Gospel of Luke (the Gospel being read on Sundays in 2019). These 'Gidea Park Faith Evenings' will take place in the hall at Gidea Park Catholic Church (410 Brentwood Road, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH). Please book by email to GPstudydays@gmail.com Refreshments provided. Admission free.

Vacancy: Class teacher at New Hall School. Closing date 21st Jan at 12noon. Please contact the school at 01245 467 588 for more details

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 27th May 2019 for 4 nights in Knock House Hotel. £649.00 per person sharing. All entertainment, excursions/guided tours included. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

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

Offertory Collection 31st Dec 2018 Baskets: £612.21 Gift Aid: £255.60