

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, Olive Doyle, Derek Drake, Mary Fircks, Win Healy, Paul Holmes, Jill Jarvis, Kunjumon Job, Jason McLean, Jean Mendes, Bernadette Mills, Michael Moran, Beata Morovicova, James O'Neill, Eileen Pool, Jo Preston, Marion Preston, Ann Renwick, Carrienne Rogers, Margaret Scott, Ewan Thompson, Teresa Thorneycroft, Peter Townsdrow, Francesca Vassallo, Sheila Watts and any unknown to us. We remember Fr Dermot Moore, Eddie Goldsworthy, Maureen Secker, Violet Taylor, Fr John Harding, John Leech, Yvonne Cartlidge, Ron Pettican, Terry Culhane, John Matterson, Peggy Natkanski, Peggy Balm, Rebecca Hamer and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

22nd-29th July Diocesan Summer Pilgrimage to Lourdes: The following young people from St Teresa's parish will be assisting the elderly and infirm on this week's Diocesan Pilgrimage in Lourdes:- Gabriella Fusi, Emily Light, John Deasy, Joseph Fusi, Ali Fusi, Meray Afilhaly, Natalie Scott, Mary-Ann Deasy, Patrick Kilcline, Tom Fusi, Katie Pereira and Joeille Afilhaly. This is the largest number of young people from this parish, thanks in many parts to the support for the fundraising events and to the Catenian bursaries that have assisted in helping to finance this trip. We wish them and all parishioners joining them all the very best. Fr Tom will also be joining the pilgrimage on Monday!

Virtual Pilgrimage The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service (BCYS) will this year be filming parts of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and packaging them as short clips which can be viewed on YouTube. These will include prayerful reflections and homilies from Lourdes, and will create a "virtual pilgrimage" for those in their homes. You will find the clips via www.bcys.net from the evening of Monday 24th to Saturday 29th July.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 22nd July

FEAST of St MARY MAGDALENE

No Masses - Mass only at Walsingham with the Diocesan Pilgrimage

Sunday 23rd July

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

9.00am

Michael Ransom (RIP)(A)

11.00am

Angelia Lowes (Bday Ints)

Monday 24th July

St Sharbel Makhuf, Pr

9:00am

Joan Fahie (RIP)

Tuesday 25th July

Feast of St James, Ap

10:00am

(at St John's) Eucharistic Service

Wed 26th July

St Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00am

Eucharistic Service

Thurs 27th July

Eucharistic Service

10:00am

Friday 28th July

Eucharistic Service

10:00am

Sat 29th July

St Martha

12:30pm

Peter & Mary Robson (Diamond Jubilee)

6:30pm

(at St John's) Terence & Rose McSorley (RIP)(A)

Sunday 30th July

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

9.00am

All Parishioners

11.00am

Kate Brignall (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

BRENTWOOD DIOCESE 1917 – 2017

DIOCESAN CENTENARY PRAYER

Almighty and merciful Father, bestow your grace upon the Diocese of Brentwood as we celebrate our Centenary Year. We give thanks for the witness of past generations and pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we may be ever more faithful to proclaiming the Gospel of Christ. Bless Alan our Bishop, the Clergy, Religious and Faithful of our Diocese, and graciously grant plentiful vocations to the Priesthood, the Consecrated Life and the Sacrament of Marriage. Strengthen us in the communion of faith, hope and charity, united in prayer with our Holy Father the Pope and the Universal Church. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen. Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette pray for us. Saints Erconwald, Cedd and Edmund of Canterbury, pray for us.

Holy Father's Intentions for July

"That through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, our brothers and sisters who have distanced themselves from the Faith, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of Christian life."

Weekends Jul 22nd/23rd and Jul 29th/30th Missio Red Box Collections. Janet Bartleet will be at all Masses to collect the contents of your Red Boxes if you would like to bring them in.

Sun 23rd Jul 12:30pm Baptisms of Esther Townend and Alonso Medina

Sun 23rd Jul 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer and Benediction

Mon 24th Jul 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Thurs 27th July 8:00pm Lectio Divina in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Fri 28th Jul 3:00pm (at St Teresa's) Divine Mercy Devotions

Fri Aug 4th 10:30am Joan Rhodes will be hosting a fundraising coffee morning in aid of St Helena Hospice at 3 Greystones Close. There will be a Bring and Buy sale and Raffle

Church Hall Maintenance

Mon 31st July – The Hall will be painted by members of the Buildings and Maintenance Committee

Mon 14th Aug – Sat 19th Aug The Hall floor will be sanded and sealed.

Thurs Sep 21st – Parish Harvest Lunch. Tickets will be on sale in September.

Becoming a Catholic - If you are not Catholic and are interested in finding out more about the Faith please contact Katherine Edwards on (07799) 692045 or

kthrnedwr@aol.com

Sun 10th Sep - St Teresa's Primary School will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary with an open air Mass in the school grounds at 11am. After the Mass there will be some light refreshments and tours of the school so you can see how (or if) it has changed. We warmly invite all pupils – past and present - and their families and all parishioners to this celebration. Please put the date in your diary.

Parish Bazaar – If you are making jams and/or chutneys during the summer and are able to make extra jars that could be sold at the bazaar on Nov 25th it would be greatly appreciated. We are hoping to have a homemade jam stall this year.

Rota of Ministries – the new rota is available at the back of the church

Parish 100 Club Winners £100 Michael Fone £50 Sally Ransom £31.50 Toni Drury

Soup Run

One of the volunteer activities which arose from the Stewards of the Gospel initiative, is that in May we took over responsibility as a parish for the Colchester Soup Run on the third Saturday of each month. We have now carried out this duty several times. A special collection was held a few months ago to support this activity and the volunteers and organisers would like to express their thanks to all those who supported this collection so generously: the amazing sum of £593.35 was raised. The monies are being used to buy essential equipment such as folding tables, a sizeable catering teapot, and regular basic supplies of tea, coffee, sugar, crisps, etc. All the helpers are humbled by the generosity of the support from the parish at large and more particularly the appreciation of those we serve at the Soup Run.

Parish Health and Safety

Please note that there is a Health and Safety book at St Teresa's and one at St John's. Please use the books to record any incidents or accidents, any hazards or broken equipment that needs fixing or any other matters that you think are important for health and safety reasons.

Sat 29th July 7th Annual GK Chesterton Pilgrimage, for details see www.CatholicGKChestertonSociety.co.uk Send prayer requests to CatholicGKCSociety@yahoo.co.uk or text to 07795 205114

Mon 31st July to Fri 4 Aug 2017 NEW DAWN in the Church, Walsingham. 5 day Pilgrimage conference. Daily Mass. Rosary Procession. Morning Prayer. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Reconciliation Service. Healing Service. Prayer Ministry. Children's Ministry. Youth Ministry. Family camp. Youth Camp. Anointed Speakers. Workshops. On site catering. For more information please see www.newdawn.org.uk or call 0151 228 0724

Vacancy:

New Hall School has a vacancy for a One to One Learning Support Assistant. Closing Date 4th August. For more information please contact 01245 467588 or go to www.newhallschool.co.uk/job-opportunities

Weekend Jul 9th Offertory Collection: Baskets £552.05 Gift Aid Envelopes £231.41