

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, Jason McLean, Jean Mendes, Bernadette Mills, Michael Moran, Beata Morovicova, James O'Neill, Iolande Pitt, Eileen Pool, Jo Preston, Marion Preston, Ann Renwick, Carrienne Rogers, Margaret Scott, Ewan Thompson, Teresa Thorneycroft, Peter Townsdraw, Francesca Vassallo, Sheila Watts and any unknown to us. We remember Ivy Kelly, Lilian Richards, David Malinowski, Peggy Graham, Margaret Reddy, Frank Hopping, Maureen Jinks, Jane Millar, Kitty O'Brien and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Sun 21st May Soup Kitchen Over 30 people in the parish have volunteered to help with the Soup Kitchen in town providing sandwiches and drinks for the homeless on the third Saturday every month. There will be second collection next week to provide funds for the expenses involved.

Please look out for a more detailed update on the Faith In Action volunteer group in the newsletter next week.

Mass Attendance Forms for Admission into St Teresa's School

If you have a child for entry into St Teresa's School in September 2018, Mass Attendance forms are available from Fr Tom and must be signed each week after Sunday Mass. Certificates of Catholic Practice for entry to the school cannot be issued unless parents and children attend Sunday Mass (this includes the Vigil Mass at St John's) and Holy Days of Obligation.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 13th May	Our Lady of Fatima (St Erconwald, Bp)
10:00am	Derek Smith (Bday Ints)
6.30pm	(at St John's) Giovanni Rapicano (RIP)
Sunday 14th May	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)
9.00am	Stephen Rhatigan (RIP)
11.00am	First Holy Communion Mass
Monday 15th May	Monday of the Fifth Week of Easter
10:00am	Patricia MacLachlan (RIP)
Tuesday 16th May	Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter
10:00am	(at St John's) Eucharistic Service
Wed 17th May	Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Easter
10:00am	Eucharistic Service
Thursday 18th May	Thursday of the Fifth Week of Easter (St John I, P, M)
10:00am	Eucharistic Service
Friday 19th May	Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter (St Dunstan, Bp)
10:00am	Eucharistic Service
Sat 20th May	Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter (St Bernardine of Siena, Bp)
12:30pm	O'Sullivan Family (RIP)
6.30pm	(at St John's) David Burdett (RIP)(A)
Sunday 21st May	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)
9.00am	Going Forth Mass for First Holy Communion Children
11.00am	John Thorneycroft (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.



May is Month of Mary

(Sat 13th May – Centenary of the First Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima)

This week the Rosary will be said

Sun 14th May 3:00pm during the Holy Hour

Mon 15th after the daily Mass

Tues 16th – Fri 19th May after the Eucharistic Service

Wed 17th May 7:30pm The Knights of St Columba will lead the Rosary at St. James the Less, Priory St

Sat 20th May 12:00noon after Confessions and Exposition

Holy Father's Intentions for May

“That by imitating the merciful Jesus, Christians in Africa may be prophetic witnesses of reconciliation, justice and peace”

First Holy Communion Sunday May 14th 11:00am **Going Forth Mass** Sun 21st May 9:00am

Sun 14th May 3:00pm Holy Hour for 5th Sunday of Easter

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

Sun 14th May 6:30pm Choral Evensong at St Albright's Anglican Church, Stanway.

The Rev Tony Bushell and parishioners of St Albright's are inviting us to join them for this time of prayer and refreshments afterwards. Fr Tom will be preaching at the Service.

Mon 15th May 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 16th May 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall. Dr Fabrizio Casale is giving a presentation on hospital ships in Gallipoli during World War I, based on original research. All Welcome

May is the Month of Mary

The Knights of St Columba are organising a Rosary Crusade during the month of May. All parishioners are invited to join them on the following dates.

Wednesday 17th May will be at St. James the Less, Priory St. at 7.30 pm

Wednesday 24th May will be at St. James the Less Priory St. at 7.30 pm

Wednesday 31st May is at 7.30 pm, venue to be confirmed

Fri 19th May 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions

Fri 19th May St Teresa's Youth Group **5:00 – 6:30pm** (Years 4,5 and 6) and **6:30 – 9:00pm** (Year 7 upwards)

Wed 24th May at 7:30pm Parish Meeting in St Teresa's Church to discuss Diocesan feedback on the parish questionnaire

Thurs May 25th 2:00pm St Vincent de Paul Society meeting at St Teresa's

Thurs May 25th 8:00pm Lectio Divina in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Friday 9th June – Children's Disco in the Church Hall This is a Free Event.

5:00 – 6:30pm Reception – Year 2 and **6:45 – 8:15pm** Year 3 – Year 6

Ticket order forms are available at the back of the church

Ministers' Rota – The new rota is available at the back of the church

Sat 17th June 10:00am – Colchester Deanery Annual Sponsored Walk in Aid of the Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

The walk is 5 ½ miles and starts and ends at St Teresa's Church. If you would like to take part please contact Gary Hull (01206) 530863 or Michael Irvine (01206) 854803

22nd July - Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham – 27 people have their places booked on the coach having signed up on the list at the back of the church. The cost will be £20. If anyone else wants to join the pilgrimage please call Teresa Higgins on (01206) 523501.

Catholic TV : EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) Online at EWTN.com and on many satellite networks. **Shalom World** is a new family Catholic television network for English speaking viewers worldwide at Shalomworldtv.org/live