

ST TERESA OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC CHURCH, LEXDEN

16 Clairmont Road, Lexden, Colchester CO3 9BE

(with St John the Baptist Catholic Church, Icen Way, Shrub End CO2 9EF)

www.stteresa.co.uk



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/StTofL/>

Parish Priest: Father Tom Lavin

(01206) 576898

fathertomlavin@hotmail.com

Parish Administrator	Steph Kilcline	07525 015932
Parish Office	stteresaslexden@hotmail.co.uk	01206 576898
St Teresa's Primary School	Headteacher: Mrs Marie Kelly	01206 508445
St Benedict's College	Principal: Mrs Jo Santinelli	01206 549222
Parish Hall Bookings	Mrs Elaine Moclair	after 4pm 07952 597059
	churchhallbookingslexden@gmail.com	

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 Townsdrow, Francesca Vassallo, Sheila Watts and any unknown to us. We remember Herbert Heinrich, Michael Corcoran, Wilfred Cockrill, Dorothy Burns, Gwen Lewis, Kathleen Burdon, John Gillespie, Norah Power, Frederick Hill, Bob Whittle, Lawrence Mowatt, Bert Malseed, Emma O'Hagan, Scarlett Lloyd-Taylor and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Sun 28th May – World Communications Day. The Communications Office of the Catholic Church in England and Wales provides support for the bishops and Church by promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. It is also the central point for media enquiries. There will be a second collection this week for its work.

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 27th May **Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bp**

12:30pm Michael Finan (ill)

6.30pm (at St John's) John McFadden (RIP)(A)

Sunday 28th May **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (A)**

(World Communications Day)

9.00am Hazel Rossiter (Ints)

11.00am Lenore Sykes (Thanksgiving)

Monday 29th May **Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter**

7:00am Parish Pilgrims

Tuesday 30th May

NO MASS OR EUCHARISTIC SERVICE

Wed 31st May

NO MASS OR EUCHARISTIC SERVICE

Thursday 1st June

NO MASS OR EUCHARISTIC SERVICE

Friday 2nd June

NO MASS OR EUCHARISTIC SERVICE

Sat 3rd June

6.30pm (at St John's) Evelyn Fahie (RIP)

Sunday 4th June **PENTECOST SUNDAY (A)**

(Day of Prayer for the Church)

9.00am Thanksgiving (Bull Family)

11.00am All Parishioners

Sat 3rd June: There will be no Confessions, Adoration or 12:30pm Mass

Confessions at St James the Less, Priory St:

Saturdays 9:45 – 10:30am and 5:30 – 6:00pm

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

This week the Rosary will be said

Sun 28th May 3:00pm during the Holy Hour

Wed 31st May 7:30pm The Knights of St Columba will lead the Rosary at St. James the Less, Priory St

Holy Father's Intentions for May

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

Sun 28th May 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Ascension of Our Lord Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer and Benediction

Parish Pilgrimage to Malta

Please pray for our parishioners travelling to Malta on pilgrimage May 29th – June 3rd. *"Creator God, you are the source of all life and motivation. May we journey in*

faith and love, rejoicing and eager to serve you. Grant us a glimpse of your glory as we seek to follow you – the Way, the Truth and the Life. Amen”

Mon 29th May 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

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 date.

Wednesday 31st May will be at St. James the Less Priory St. at 7.30 pm

Fri 26th May – 8:00pm Meeting in the Church Hall for all Children’s Disco Volunteers

Mon 5th June 7:00pm Meeting for Confirmation Candidates 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. If you have already ordered then tickets can be collected at the back of the church this week.

<p>21st and 28th June 7:30pm Our parish “Growing in Faith” Group is organising two talks which will take place in the Hall at 7.30. Please make a note of the dates. More information later.</p>

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 – 26 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.

CAFOD - Volunteer Parish Representatives

CAFOD volunteers raise awareness of poverty and social injustice and help to inspire action in our parishes. If you would like to take part then a more detailed description of the role is available, please contact Steph Kiline (07525) 015932

CAFOD Fundraising



Abigail Wetton would like to thank all the parishioners who supported her recent DVD, CD and Computer Game collection in aid of CAFOD. Thanks to your generous support a total of £335.49 was raised. Thank you all so much. Abigail

YOUTH POLL ON LIFE, FAITH AND VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT

Would all our young people between 13-29 please contribute their views to this poll at: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/cathnews-synod-youth-poll> It closes on Fri 30th June 2017 and can be completed in less than half an hour. These resources will be used

by the Bishops of England and Wales in a report to be sent to the Vatican ahead of the 2018 Synod on: 'Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment'.