

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 Dolores Mena, Janina Grudzinska, Francis Milford, Bill Couperthwaite, Christina Whybrow, Archbishop George Beck, Violet Ward, Elizabeth Jacobs, Paddy McGuire, Col John O'Kelly, Colin Jarvis, Antoinette Lufti and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

We welcome Paschal Uche, a student for the priesthood at St Mary's College, Oscott, who is joining us on parish placement.

Sun 10th Sep Education Day There will be a second collection after all Masses for the Catholic Education Service. Education Sunday is a day of celebration for all those involved in education. For over a century it has been part of an ecumenical celebration in which the Catholic Church participates. The Catholic Education Service's theme for Education Sunday 2016 is 'All are welcome'.

Sun 17th Sep Home Mission Sunday
Home Mission Sunday is the day in the Church's calendar when the bishops invite every member of the Catholic community to pray for, celebrate and support the work of evangelisation in England and Wales. There will be a second collection to support this work.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 9th Sep	St Peter Claver, Pr
12:30pm	Winifred Berry (RIP)(A)
6:30pm	(at St John's) Ralph Boreham (90 th Birthday) Bill Couperthwaite (RIP)(A)
Sunday 10th Sep	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (Education Day)
9.00am	All Parishioners
11.00am	St Teresa's School
Monday 11th Sep	Mass of the Day
10:00am	Paul Kavanah (RIP)(A)
Tuesday 12th Sep	The Most Holy Name of Mary
10:00am	(at St John's) James McKentey (RIP)(Bday Ints)
Wed 13th Sep	St John Chrysostom, Bp, D
10:00am	Holy Souls
Thurs 14th Sep	Feast of the Exaltation (Triumph) of the Holy Cross
10:00am	James Farley (RIP)
Friday 15th Sep	Our Lady of Sorrows
10:00am	Bernadette Grimley (RIP)(A)
Sat 16th Sep	
6:30pm	(at St John's) Tom Schofield (RIP)(A)
Sunday 17th Sep	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (Home Mission Day)
9.00am	Rita Donnelly (RIP)(A)
11.00am	Margaret Tilleard (RIP)

**Sat 16th Sep: There will be no Confessions, Adoration or 12:30pm Mass.
Confessions at St James the Less, Priory St: Sat 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.

Holy Father's Intentions for September

“That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen”

Sun 10th Sep Children's Liturgy will resume during the 9:00am Mass

We congratulate St Teresa's School on their 50th Anniversary

Sun 10th Sep 11:00am Mass will be in the Church.

After the Mass there will be some light refreshments in the school hall 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.

Sun 10th Sep 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Mon 11th Sep 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Tues 12th Sep 2:00 – 3:30pm Friendship Club in the Church Hall

Wed 13th Sep 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting at St Teresa's

Wed 13th Sep 8:00pm Knights of St Columba meet in the Church Hall

Thurs 14th Sep 8:00pm Lectio Divina in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Thurs 14th Sep 8:00pm Parish Finance Committee Meeting at St Teresa's

Fri 15th Sep 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions

Saturday 16th September 2017 (2:00-5:00pm). Lecture recital with Richard Overill telling the story of English keyboard composers (1580 – 1630) who moved to live and work on the continent. £8 Entry

St Benedict's College – Year 7 Pupils will be visiting St Teresa's Church on the following dates: Tues 19th Sep, Wed 20th Sep, Fri 22nd Sep, Tues 26th Sep Fri 29th Sep, 3rd Oct

Tues 19th Sep 8:00pm Instruction in the Faith for non-Catholics. If you are non-Catholic and are interested in finding out more about the Faith please come to this meeting in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of St Teresa's Church.

Wed 20th Sep 7:30 – 9:00pm The 6 week GIFT Life in the Spirit course is filling up fast. Don't miss this special blessing. Put your name down on the list at the back of the church.

Thurs Sep 21st – Parish Harvest Lunch. Mass will be at 11:00am with lunch following. If you need transport please speak to Joan (573448) or Angela (512497). Tickets will be on sale Weekends September 9th/10th and 16th/17th after Masses.

Fri 22nd Sep St Teresa's Youth Group in the Church Hall **5:00 – 6:30pm** (Years 4,5 and 6) and **6:30 – 9:00pm** (Year 7 upwards)

Mon 25th Sep 1:00-3:00pm Catholic Craft Circle at St Teresa's, French Knitting with Lorna Ewing plus a summer creative challenge to have a crafter upcycle your craft. More details available on poster in the back of church.

Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon David Pearce

Sat Dec 2nd 11:30am Deacon David Pearce, parishioner, will be ordained to the priesthood at St Teresa's Church.

Sat 23rd Sept 10:00am - 4:00pm The Knights of St. Columba annual retreat to Clare Priory. Theme: "Our Lady of Fatima" All parishioners are welcome, Please bring a packed lunch. £16 pp. Please contact Stefan for more information (07948) 148531

Sat 14th Oct 7:30pm – late. Parish International Evening in St Teresa's School Hall with International cuisine and entertainment. Tickets £15.00 each for a meal with a glass of wine; a donations bar will be open on the night. Tables of ten available. If you can volunteer to help with the entertainment or if you would like to buy tickets please contact Sheila Macklin (07496) 870846/sheila.macklin@gmail.com

First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation 2018

Parents who have children in Year 3 or above are invited to contact Fr Tom with their child's Certificate of Baptism if they would like their children to take part in the Preparation Course.

Sacrament of Confirmation – Pentecost Sunday May 20th 2018

Young people in year 9 and above are invited to contact Fr Tom if they wish to receive the Sacrament next year. Preparations will start in December 2017.

Rota of Ministries The new rota is available at the back of the Church.

Macmillan Coffee Mornings There will be coffee mornings held in the parish in aid of the Macmillan Nurses. Please see this week's extra insert for details

Thank you – Joan Rhodes would like to thank family, friends and fellow parishioners for supporting the recent Coffee Morning at her home in aid of St Helena Hospice. A total of more than £640 was raised, thanks both to the generosity of those who came and those who were unable to come – yet sent donations.

Weekend Sep 4th Offertory Collection: Baskets £599.25 Gift Aid Envelopes £184.00