

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 *<deleted for internet>* and for any who are not known to us

We remember Antoinette Lufti, Rita Donnelly, Christine Acheson, Patricia Malinowski, Dominic Regan, Margaret Marks, Geraldine Robinson, Andrew Hyland, Annie Gambling and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Sun 17th Sep Home Mission Sunday

In today's Gospel Jesus presents us, as disciples, with a challenging question, 'Who do you say I am?' For some the most challenging element of this question is whether we talk about him at all. Today on Home Mission Sunday we have been praying for the spread of the Gospel and in the second collection will have the opportunity to support it financially. The money you give to this collection is used to help Catholics in England and Wales become more confident in sharing their faith.

Sat Oct 6th 2:00 – 5:00pm Parish Day in Celebration of St Teresa. There will be events and activities in the Church, Church Hall and School Playground. More details will follow

Sat 24th Nov Parish Christmas Bazaar - This will be held on Saturday 24th November from 11.00 - 2.00pm. Further details will follow in a couple of weeks. If you would like to help with the planning and have not been involved before please contact Elaine on e_moclair@hotmail.com. We will soon be arranging our first meeting to start the planning. This is a very enjoyable occasion that helps to raise funds for our Parish. Please put the date in your diary. Watch out for a flyer in the newsletter very soon.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 15th Sep	Our Lady of Sorrows
12:30pm	Michelle Brennan (Ints)
6.30pm	(at St John's) All Parishioners
Sunday 16th Sep	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
	(Home Mission Sunday)
9.00am	Margaret Simons (Ints)
11.00am	Moya Campbell (RIP)(A)
Monday 17th Sep	St Robert Bellarmine, Bp, D
10:00am	Rita Donnelly (RIP)(A)
Tuesday 18th Sep	Mass of the Day
10:00am	(at St John's) Josie Feeley (Ints)
Wed 19th Sep	St Januarius, Bp, M
	(St Theodore of Canterbury, Bp)
10:00am	James Fitzpatrick (RIP)
Thurs 20th Sep	Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Pr
	and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Comps, Mm
10:00am	Bethany Sykes (Bday Ints)
Friday 21st Sep	FEAST OF ST MATTHEW, Ap, Evangelist
10:00am	Madge Morrisons (Ints)
Sat 22nd Sep	Our Lady on Saturday
12:30pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
6.30pm	(at St John's) Gordon Fisher (RIP)
Sunday 23rd Sep	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
9.00am	Bill & Elli Duffy (RIP)
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.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Holy Father's Intentions for September

"That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries"

FIRE DRILL – Saturday 15th Sep there will be a fire drill at St John's 6:30pm Mass.

Confirmation Programme If you have a child in Year 9 or above in September 2018 who would like to be confirmed please contact Fr Tom as soon as possible. The Confirmation course will commence in October and Confirmation will be on Pentecost Sunday June 9th. 2019.

Sun 16th Sep 12:30pm Baptism of Edward Burrows

Sun 16th Sep 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Mon 17th Sep 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

St Benedict's College – Year 7 Pupils will be visiting St Teresa's Church on the following dates in September: Mon 17th, Tues 18th, Wed 19th, Thurs 20th, Fri 21st, Mon 24th

Tues 18th Sep 2:30pm Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Adoration Before the Blessed Sacrament

In our parish we have Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament Sundays (3:00 – 4:00), Fridays (2:00 – 3:00) and Saturdays (11:00 – 12:00)

In response to the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool (Adoremus) we are asked to have extra time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Tues 18th Sep 7:00 – 8:00pm There will be an extra hour of Adoration. Set prayers will be available.

Thurs 20th Sep 7:00pm There will be a meeting in the Church for anyone interested in finding out about the pilgrimage to the North of England in May 2019.

Fri 21st Sep 2:00pm (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions and Benediction.

Mon 24th Sep 1:00-3:00pm at St Teresa's All hands on deck, expert and amateur crafters wanted! Join the merry catholic craft circle to build a collection of crafts to raise funds for the end of year church bazaar. More details at the back of church.

Tues 25th Sep 7:30pm Instruction in the Catholic Faith If you are not Catholic and would like to learn more about the Faith, you are invited to come to this meeting at St Teresa's. If you would like to know more please contact Katherine Edwards on (07799) 692045 or kthredwr@aol.com

Wed 26th Sep 11:30am Priests' Deanery Meeting

Wed 26th Sep 7:30pm Reunion in the Church Hall for those who travelled to the Holy Land on Pilgrimage with the parish in May this year. All parishioners are welcome to come along and see pictures of the pilgrimage.

Macmillan – World's Biggest Coffee Morning The coffee mornings in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support are taking place on: **Tues 25th Sep** at St John's after morning Mass,

Wed 26th Sep at St Teresa's after morning Mass, **Fri 28th Sep** in the Church Hall after morning Mass (organised by St Teresa's school), **Sat 29th Sep** cakes will be sold after 6.30pm Mass to take home and enjoy and **Sun 30th Sep** in the Church Hall after both Masses. All welcome to come along and support this worthy cause

Thurs 27th Sep 6:00 – 8:30pm St Benedict's Catholic College Open Day. You are welcome to visit during the evening and meet students and teachers. Please see the posters at the back of the church for more details.

Sat 29th Sep 10:00am – 4:30pm Day of Reflection with Prayer and Meditation at Clare Priory, Suffolk. The Knights of St Columba invite all parishioners to join them. There will be a talk from a resident priest, a video of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mass, Confession, Rosary and Benediction. Cost £16 pp. Please bring a packed lunch. Transport will be by private car. Lifts can be arranged if necessary. Please contact Justin Nathan on 07540 050 814 to book a place.

Sun 30th Sep 3:00pm "History Mystery Tour of Colchester" Many people were unable to attend the tour on 24th June so John McCabe is willing to run the tour again. Meet at the War Memorial in town. Please contact John on (01206) 548643

Thurs 22nd Nov Thursford Christmas Show

Members of the parish will be travelling to Thursford in Norfolk for the Christmas Show with Kings Coaches. There are a few seats left. Cost £68. Sign up sheet is at the back of the church. Please fill in your name or call/text Steph Kiline on (07525) 015932 to reserve your seat for that date.

Offertory Collection 9th Sep 2018 Baskets: £534.91 Gift Aid: £283.55

Second Collection for Education Sunday: £283.32 Gift Aid: £120.15