

# 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 Margherita Garbett, Mary Chapman, Albert Williams, Marjorie Robins, Bridget Lock, Christopher Barrell, Bertie Merrill, Dora Bergin and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

### **Walsingham House at Abbotswick**

The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service (Walsingham House) is moving to Abbotswick, a beautiful house of prayer set in 14 acres of grounds it is wonderful place for retreats for both the youth service and the entire diocese. To do this the building requires extensive work and this week there will be a second collection across the Diocese to appeal for donations towards this work.

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Oct - CAFOD Harvest Fast Day** This Harvest Fast Day we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador. With your help CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training and strong seeds. Please pick up a Fast Day envelope next week, Fast on Fri the 6<sup>th</sup> and give what you can.

**Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Oct – Mill Hill Mission (Red Boxes)** To thank you all for your support of MISSIO, Janet Bartleet (Red Box parish secretary) and Cathy Scott (Regional Community Outreach officer at Missio HQ), cordially invite all Red Box holders/donors and interested parishioners to join them, Fr Tom and National Director of Missio, Fr Anthony Chantry for Tea & Cake on Sunday 8th October at 4pm until 5pm in the Church Hall, when we also hope to be able to show you a couple of short films on how you are helping the Missions. We hope you will be able to come and look forward to seeing you.

# MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

## Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

<b>Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep</b>	<b>St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)</b>
12:30pm	Moya Campbell (RIP)(A)
6:30pm	(at St John's) All Parishioners
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	<b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</b>
9.00am	Bill & Elli Duffy (RIP)
11.00am	Leonard, Evelyn, Michael & Joseph Cavanagh and Isabel Duley (RIP)(A)
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	<b>Mass of the Day</b>
10:00am	Olivia Parr (RIP)
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	<b>Ss Cosmas &amp; Damian, Mm</b>
10:00am	(at St John's) Pamela Rollo (RIP)
<b>Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	<b>St Vincent de Paul, Pr</b>
9:00am	Veronica Rowley (RIP)(Bday Ints)
<b>Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	<b>St Wenceslaus, M</b>
10:00am	Eileen Jonas (Ints)
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	<b>Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael, Archangels</b>
10:00am	Valerie Penfold (Ints)
<b>Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	<b>St Jerome, Pr, D</b>
8:00am	Vocations to the Priesthood
6:30pm	(at St John's) Christopher Barrell (RIP)(A)
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct</b>	<b>TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</b>
	<b>SOLEMNITY OF ST TERESA OF LISIEUX</b>
9.00am	McKenzie Family (Ints)
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

## 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"

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct – Feast of St Teresa of Lisieux.

The 9:00am Mass will be celebrated as the Solemnity of our Patron with the readings specific to our Saint. In preparation, the school and church are joined in prayer over the week celebrating a Novena to St Teresa

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Sep 12:30pm Baptism of Maia-Lili Antonia Ware**

**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Sep 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Sep 8:00pm** Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

**St Benedict's College** – Year 7 Pupils will be visiting St Teresa's Church on the following dates: Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sep Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Sep, 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct

**Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sep 2:00 – 3:30pm** Friendship Club in the Church Hall. All welcome

**Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sep 7:00pm** There will be a parish meeting in the church to discuss the implications of the first Diocesan Document "Working Together to Evangelise Our Diocese" which concerns Renewal and Restructuring in the Diocese. Feedback from the parish at this meeting will be passed back to the Diocese. The document is available to be viewed online at

[http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Diocese-of-Brentwood\\_Working-Together-2.pdf](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Diocese-of-Brentwood_Working-Together-2.pdf)

**Tues 26<sup>th</sup> 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 at St Teresa's.

**Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Sep 7:30 – 9:00pm** Session 2 of the GIFT Life in the Spirit course in the Church Hall.

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Sep 2:00pm** (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Sep** at Brentwood Ursuline School. Clergy and Stewards of the Gospel meet to discuss the Diocesan Document "Working together to Evangelise Our Diocese"

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Oct 10:00am** Altar Servers' Meeting at St Teresa's. Please bring your Guild handbooks.

**Sat 14<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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.

### **Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Mornings**

**Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sep** after 10am Mass at St John's. Cake donations welcome on the day.

**Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Sep** after 9am Mass at St Teresa's. Cake donations welcome on the day.

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Sep** at 10.45am after 10am Mass in St Teresa's Church Hall. This event will be hosted by the Year 5 staff and children of St Teresa's school. Year 5 parents will be donating cakes. If any Parishioners wish to donate cakes they will be very welcome.

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Sep** after 6.30pm Mass at St John's - Cakes will be available to purchase on the way out of Church to take home to enjoy.

**Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Oct** after 9am Mass and 11am Mass in the Church hall. Donations of cakes would be very welcome.

**Fire Drills – St Teresa's and St John's** Please note that evacuation drills will take place over the next few weeks. These are required by the Diocese and their safety consultants. The drills will take place at the end of Mass, following an announcement by Father Tom. The alarms will be sounded. Father Tom and those on the Sanctuary will leave first and go to the Assembly Point (the lawn in front of Fr Tom's house at St Teresa's and the front gate at St John's), followed by the choir and musicians. The congregation should then leave the church by all available exits quickly but calmly. Please give priority to those with mobility problems and young children. Follow the instructions given by our wardens and ushers. Further details will be given in our newsletters.

**Weekend Sep 17<sup>th</sup> Offertory Collection:** Baskets £497.90 Gift Aid Envelopes £232.00  
Second Collection for Home Mission Baskets £225.23 Gift Aid Envelopes £129.30