

ST TERESA OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC CHURCH, LEXDEN

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

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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 Alan Smith, Derek Gladas, Alan Johnston, Ellen Barnes, Peter Smale, Phyl Burns, Kathleen Halls, Leslie George, George Kelly, Joseph Sanach, Tom Schofield, Lilian Flynn and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

Wed 20th Sep 7:30 – 9:00pm is the start of an inspiring and practical 6 week course to help us unwrap the gift of the Holy Spirit given in our Baptism and Confirmation.

Following dates will be: 27th Sep, 4th Oct, 11th Oct, 18th Oct, 25th Oct

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.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

Sat 2nd Sep	Our Lady on Saturday
12:30pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
6:30pm	(at St John's) All Parishioners
Sunday 3rd Sep	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
9.00am	Alan Smith (RIP)(A)
11.00am	Fr Pat Cavanagh (RIP)(A)
Monday 4th Sep	
8:00am	Kate Brignall (RIP)
Tuesday 5th Sep	
10:00am	(at St John's) Eucharistic Service
Wed 6th Sep	
10:00am	Eucharistic Service
Thurs 7th Sep	
10:00am	Eucharistic Service
Friday 8th Sep	
10:00am	Eucharistic Service
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)
9.00am	All Parishioners
11.00am	St Teresa's School

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”

Sun 3rd Sep 3:00pm Holy Hour for the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Mon 4th Sep – Fri 8th Sep Priests of the Diocese will be on Retreat in Ars in France.

Mon 4th Sep 8:00pm Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Fri 8th Sep 3:00pm (at St Teresa's) Divine Mercy Devotions

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

50th Anniversary of St Teresa's School

Sun 10th Sep 11:00am Mass will be outside at St Teresa's School (weather permitting) After the Mass there will be some light refreshments 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.

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

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

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.

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Thurs Sep 21st – Parish Harvest Lunch. Mass will be at 11 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 all 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.

Macmillan Coffee Mornings There will be a Macmillan coffee morning after morning Mass on Fri 29th Sep and also after both Masses on Sun 1st October.

Parish Bazaar – If you are making jams and/or chutneys during the summer and are able to make extra jars that could be sold at the bazaar on Nov 25th it would be greatly appreciated. We are hoping to have a homemade jam stall this year.

Fri 08 Sep 7.30pm Quiz night for CAFOD in Greenstead. Booking essential. Cost: £6 to include a buffet, bring your own drinks: glasses provided. There will be a raffle and prizes for this would be appreciated. More information and tickets from Ann and David Bates 01206 863067 or email d.bates966@btinternet.com

Thurs 21st – Sat 23rd Sep St Thomas of Canterbury, Grays. Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 40 Hours Devotion. Please see poster at back of church for details.

World Youth Day Jan 2019 – Costa Rica and Panama

Brentwood Catholic Youth Service will be travelling – this trip is open to anyone in School Year 12 to age 27 at the time of travel. If you would like to know more please contact Fr Dominic Howarth (frdominic@dioceseofbrentwood.org) with your name, address, phone number and date of birth. Emails accepted up to November 30th 2017. After that the group will be formed and fundraising will begin. Please do also email with any questions, from you or your family, if you need more information before making an initial commitment.

Vacancy: New Hall School is looking to recruit a minibus driver. Working hours will be approximately 6.00am to 8.15am, Monday to Friday and 6.00pm to 8.15pm Monday to Thursday with the earlier hours of 4.15pm to 6.15pm on Fridays, during term time. Candidates must hold a current driving licence with a category D1.

Weekend Aug 27th Offertory Collection: Baskets £509.45 Gift Aid Envelopes £157.00