

# Catholic Parish of St Teresa of Lisieux Lexden and St John the Baptist Shrub End

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(Please note Monday's deadline for items published in next week's newsletter, which may be edited due to limitations of space.)

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## Newsletter for 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

### MASS/SERVICE TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday Masses live-streamed. Morning Prayer 15 mins before Weekday Masses at St Teresa's.

#### Pentecost (B) Solemnity

<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	St John's	6.00pm	David Allen's friend (Health Intentions)
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	St Teresa's	9.00am	Aaron John (RIP)
	St Teresa's	11.00am	David Brian Thurston (RIP) (A)
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mary, Mother of the Church</b>		<b>Memorial</b>
	St Teresa's	10.00am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>		
	St John's	10.00am	Joanna Hodgkinson (Birthday Intentions)
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Feria</b>		
	St Teresa's	10.00am	John Humphrey (RIP)
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest</b>		<b>National Feast</b>
	St Teresa's	10.00am	Norman Williams (RIP) (A)
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feria ***St Teresa's School will be joining us***</b>		
	St Teresa's	10.00am	Fr John McKeon (RIP)

#### The Most Holy Trinity (B) Solemnity

<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>*</b>	St John's	6.00pm	David Burdett (RIP) (A)
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	St Teresa's	9.00am	Brian and Jean Dillon (Special Intention – 63 <sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary)
	St Teresa's	11.00am	James and Edna McGuire (RIP) (A)

\*St Bede the Venerable, Pr, D, National Memorial

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

<b>Saturdays</b> (weekly)	St Teresa's	11.00am - 12noon	(Except Feast Days)
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#### Eucharistic Adoration

<b>Saturdays</b> (weekly)	St Teresa's	12noon - 1.00pm	Angelus, Adoration and Rosary
<b>Tuesdays</b> (weekly)	St Teresa's	6.30pm - 7.30pm	Eucharistic Adoration

<b>Mass Intentions</b>	Please supply Christian name, Surname and purpose of the Intention on the request slips at the back of the Church. Place in an envelope marked <b>Mass Intention</b> , pass to a welcomer or drop it into the Office.
<b>Lift to Mass</b>	If anyone needs a lift to Mass, please contact the <b>SVP</b> on (01206) 543182.
<b>Tea and coffee after Masses</b>	Available after 9.00am Sunday (St Teresa's), 10.00am Tuesday (St John's) and 10.00am Wednesday (St Teresa's). Donations go towards the SVP.
<b>Hospital visits</b>	If you or someone you know is sick at home or going into hospital and would like the Priest to visit or conduct Anointing of the Sick, please contact <b>Katherine Edwards</b> on 07799 692045 at your earliest convenience.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

	<b>Website</b> <a href="http://www.stteresa.co.uk">www.stteresa.co.uk</a> (Live streamed Masses broadcast here and on YouTube)		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/StToFL">www.facebook.com/groups/StToFL</a>
	<b>My Parish App</b> (App Store/Google Play)		<b>WhatsApp group</b> (07759 643394)

### PRAYER NEEDS

- We pray for those Parishioners who are sick or housebound.
- We continue to pray for all those who are ill or in need of our prayers.
- Please pray for our RCIA adult candidates for Sacraments.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for the soul of **Liliane (Linda) Banna** who died recently. The funeral Mass will take place at St Teresa's on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 11.00am. We pray for the soul of **Richard Clack** (husband of Angela) who died recently.  
*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

### PILGRIM MARY

Please sign up and welcome the statue of Our Lady into your home and pray the Rosary for a week. The forms are available in the entrance and the stewards will be happy to help. Any questions, please see **Justin Nathan**.

### REPOSITORY (ST TERESA'S)

First Holy Communion, Confirmation cards and gifts are now available in the Repository. If you have something specific in mind you would like to order, please text **Catherine Offord** on 07971 052441.

### FUNDRAISING / FINANCIAL UPDATES / SECOND COLLECTIONS

- **Parish Offertory basket** - thank you for your continued financial support totalling **£644.00** for 12<sup>th</sup> May, with an additional **£196.00** raised for **World Communications Day**.

## MAY EVENTS

### **Next Parish creation walk on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 2.00pm**

We will be leaving the car park at Fordham Heath at 2.00pm and walk through the sheep field down to and along the Colne Valley, returning past Cook's Mill for the usual refreshments. Lifts are available from St Teresa's from 1.30pm.

### **\*\*\*LAST FEW PLACES LEFT\*\*\* Italian Night on 25<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm in St Teresa's School Hall**

Book your tickets now! It costs £20.00 per person and includes a three-course meal with wine. Why not get a group together of 8-12 for a whole table? You can book by scanning the QR Code on the right or contacting **Toni Fusi** on 07962 014747.



### **Bridge Club every Thursday from 7.00pm - 9.00pm in the Church Hall**

We meet every Thursday at 7.00pm in the Church Hall. Beginners, improvers and all players are welcome. Young people are especially invited for a taster session. If you have any questions, please contact **Renate Clarke** at [renate.e.clarke@gmail.com](mailto:renate.e.clarke@gmail.com) or on 01206 504524.

### **Friendly Fridays continue weekly in the Church Hall from 12.00pm - 2.00pm until the end of May**

Everyone is invited to join us for soup, sandwiches and cake. There is no charge but any donations received will go towards the work of Beacon House, supporting the homeless.

## JUNE EVENTS/REMINDERS

### **Sanctity of Life (Pro-Life) Group will meet on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 11.00am in the Upper Room**

This new Ministry seeks to support life in all stages. It is free from any judgement, with a warm and loving approach focused on spiritual healing.

### **First Holy Communion Masses on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June**

FHC Masses will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am and 2.00pm.

### **First Holy Communion 'Going Forth' Mass on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

This will take place at 9.00am and there will be a party afterwards.

### **Annual Parish Retreat will take place at Clare Priory on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Please keep the date free in your diary! More details to follow.

## 100 CLUB

Thank you to those who renewed their 100 Club membership and who joined for the first time. There are still some people needing to confirm if they wish to continue, which is why the April draw has been delayed. The first draw of the year will take place at the coffee club after Mass on Wednesday **29<sup>th</sup> May**. If anyone would still like to join, there is time. Thank you.

## FAITH IN ACTION

### **Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal**

CAFOD's local partners in Gaza have asked for more funds to continue providing practical support to families. They still need our support and prayers. If you wish to donate, please visit [cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/israeli-palestinian-crisis-appeal](http://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/israeli-palestinian-crisis-appeal) or add your name to the prayer message at [action.cafod.org.uk/page/146774/petition/1](http://action.cafod.org.uk/page/146774/petition/1).