

# ST TERESA OF LISIEUX CATHOLIC CHURCH, LEXDEN

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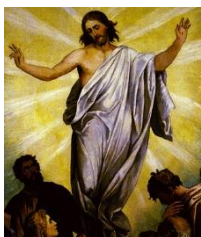
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## PRAYER NEEDS

We continue to pray for those parishioners who are sick and housebound and especially: Lilliane Banna, George Birch, Andrew Brydon, Yvonne Couperthwaite, Ben Culhane, Sylvia Davies, Cynthia D'Cruz, Melvin Doonan, Terry Doonan, Derek Drake, Mary Fircks, Win Healy, Paul Holmes, Jill Jarvis, Kunjumon Job, Jason McLean, Jean Mendes, Michael Moran, Beata Morovicova, John Newton, James O'Neill, Eileen Pool, Beattie Preston, Jo Preston, Marion Preston, Ann Renwick, Carrienne Rogers, Margaret Scott, Ewan Thompson, Teresa Thorneycroft, Peter Townsdrow, Francesca Vassallo, Sheila Watts, Ella Weston and any unknown to us. We remember Lilian Jeffers, Charlotte Firman, Thomas Mason, Eva Corcoran, Alban Fowler, John McAndrew, Gwen Richmond, Camilla Skinner, Nicola Godbold, Mary Clifford, Canon Brian Grady, Robert Ratcliffe, Denis King, Geoffrey Roberts, Emily Stanley Patrick Hyland, Sylvie Murphy, Sally O'Hanlon and other anniversaries which occur around this time.

### **THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MAY – THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD : Holy Day of Obligation**



**(Masses 10:00am St Teresa's and 8:00pm St John's)**

Last year the Bishops of England and Wales decided that The Ascension of the Lord would no longer be transferred to a Sunday therefore the Feast will be celebrated on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May (40 days after Easter) marking the day Jesus Ascended into Heaven after his Resurrection from the dead on Easter Day. It is a Holy Day of Obligation

### **Mass Attendance Forms for Admission into St Teresa's School**

If you have a child for entry into St Teresa's School in September 2019, Mass Attendance forms are available from Fr Tom and must be signed each week after Sunday Mass. Certificates of Catholic Practice for entry to the school cannot be issued unless parents and children attend Sunday Mass (this includes the Vigil Mass at St John's) and Holy Days of Obligation.

# MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

## Morning Prayer 15 mins before Mass

<b>Sat 5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter</b>
12.30pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
6.30pm	(at St John's) William Egerton (RIP)
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>
9.00am	Maurice Healy (RIP)(A)
11.00am	All Parishioners
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Monday of the Sixth Week of Easter</b>
10:00am	John Cooper (RIP)(Bday Ints)
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter</b>
10:00am	(at St John's) Una Close (RIP)
<b>Wed 9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Wednesday of the Sixth Week of Easter</b>
10:00am	Bob Ratcliffe (RIP)(A)
<b>Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b>
	<b>(Holy Day of Obligation)</b>
10:00am	Whole School Mass
8:00pm	(at St John's) All Parishioners
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Friday after the Ascension</b>
10:00am	Adrian Sykes (Bday Ints)
<b>Sat 12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>St John Houghton Pr, M</b>
<b>(Catholic Deaf Awareness Week 12 – 19 May)</b>	
12.30pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
6.30pm	(at St John's) Thanksgiving (Kerr)
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)</b>
	<b>(World Communications Day)</b>
9.00am	Bob Palmer (RIP)(A)
11.00am	All Parishioners
<b>Saturdays: 11.00am</b>	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) and</b>
	<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 12 noon</b>

# 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.

## Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)



## May is the Month of Mary

### Holy Father's Intentions for May

"That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today"

**Sun 6<sup>th</sup> May 3:00pm** Holy Hour for the Sixth Sunday of Easter Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; Rosary; Sunday Reflection; Evening Prayer.

**Tues 8<sup>th</sup> May 2:00 – 3:30pm** Friendship Club in the Church Hall including the 100 Club Draw

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> May** Knights of St Columba meet in the Church Hall

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> May 7:00pm** Youth Club leaders in the upstairs meeting room at St Teresa's

**Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> May 6:30pm** Catechists meeting at St Teresa's

**Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> May ASCENSION THURSDAY** (Holy Day of Obligation) – 10:00am St Teresa's  
8:00pm St John's

## **Fri 11<sup>th</sup> May The start of a Parish Pentecost Novena for Evangelisation**

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> May 2:00pm** (at St Teresa's) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotions.

## **St Teresa's School Open Days**

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> May** at 10.00am **Or Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> June** at 10.00am If you would like to attend on one of these dates please call the School Office on 01206 508445

## **First Holy Communion Preparation Session**

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> May 9:30am** Meeting for children in the church hall and parents in the Church. The children will be involved in the 9:00am Mass on Sun 13<sup>th</sup> May

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> May 7:00pm** The Knights of St Columba are holding a Race Night in St Teresa's Church Hall; Doors 7pm; Races 7.30pm; includes buffet; please bring your own drinks. £5 per person. For Tickets call Stef on 07948 148531 or Chris on 07522 405385

**Sun 13<sup>th</sup> May** is World Communications Day. The Communications Office of the Catholic Church in England and Wales provides support for the bishops and Church by promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. It is also the central point for media enquiries. There will be a second collection next week for its work.

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> May 7:00pm** Rehearsal for Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors  
**The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sun 20<sup>th</sup> May at the 11:00am Mass**

**Tues 15<sup>th</sup> May 2:30pm** Meditation Prayer Group in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup> May** St Teresa's Youth Group in the Church Hall **5:00 – 6:45pm** (Years 4,5 and 6) and **7:00 – 9:00pm** (Year 7 upwards)

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> May 1:00-3:00pm** Catholic Craft Circle - Crocheting with Margaret Molloy and Jean Mendes. Please bring size 3 /3.5 hooks and 3 or 4 ply wool. All welcome.

<p><b>Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> May 7:30pm</b> Final Meeting for Holy Land Pilgrims in the Church Hall (THIS MEETING HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM SAT 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY)</p>
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## **Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> May 8:00pm Parish Finance Committee AGM**

**100 Club** - The first draw of this year will take place in the Church hall during the Friendship Club on Tuesday 8th May. Letters, assigning new numbers will be at the back of the Church on the weekend of 5th/6th May.

**Gift Aid** - This is an excellent way to raise extra funds for the parish as we receive 25p extra for every pound donated in this way. Please pick up a form at the back of the church or please contact Elaine Moclair at [stteresaslexden@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stteresaslexden@hotmail.co.uk).

**Vacancy:** Kitchen Assistant at St Teresa's School on Mondays and Tuesdays from 11.45am to 1.45pm. For further details and rate of pay please contact the school office on 01206 508445.

**Offertory Collection 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018 Baskets: £560.63 Gift Aid: £202.95**