

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

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## Parish Office

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## Newsletter for 31st July 2022

For more information, please visit the Parish web site [www.stteresa.co.uk](http://www.stteresa.co.uk) and my Parish App

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/StTofL>

### MASS / SERVICE TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sunday and Wednesday Masses are live Streamed.

Morning Prayer 15 minutes before weekday Masses at St Teresa's

#### Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ( C )

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July**

6:30 p.m.

Alison Kent (birthday intentions)

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July**

9:00 a.m.

Donald Hambleton (RIP) (A)

11:00 a.m.

George Birch (RIP) (A)

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August**

10:00 a.m.

**St Alphonsus Liguri BP D**

**Memorial**

Service of the Word and Holy Communion

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

St John's 10:00 a.m.

**Feria**

Colin Molloy (RIP) (A)

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**

10:00 a.m.

**Feria**

Augustine Richards (RIP)

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August**

10:00 a.m.

**St John Vianney (Cure of Ars) Pr**

**Memorial**

Kate Bignall (RIP)

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August**

10:00 a.m.

**Feria**

Cristina Sarsuela (RIP) (A)

#### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ( C )

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August**

St John's 6:30 p.m.

People of the Parish

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August**

9:00 a.m.

Adrienne Roche (RIP) (A)

11:00 a.m.

Victoria Asakpa (birthday intentions)

**Saturdays 11:00 a.m. – 12 noon - Sacrament of Reconciliation  
12 noon – 1:00 p.m. Angelus, Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration**

**Help required:** A parishioner living in the Mile End area of Colchester requires a lift to 11.00am Sunday Mass. If you are able to help either every week or as part of a rota please contact Mary Johnson (SVP)

**Mass Intentions** – slips are available in the Church entrance. Please supply the Christian name and the surname, the purpose of the intention and any relevant date. Please place in an envelope clearly marked 'Mass Intention' and pass to a steward or drop into the Parish office

**THE LEGION OF MARY** The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's work. We hold a weekly meeting, where prayer is intermingled with reports and discussion. Our meetings are on every Thursday. All are welcome. Next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> August at St Teresa's church upstairs room at 7.30pm. Justin Nathan

**The Parish WhatsApp Chat Group** All parishioners are welcome to join the above chat group. If you would like to, please give your phone number to either Father Rick or Justin Nathan who will put you onto the group. You will need a smart phone and access to WhatsApp which we can help you set up.

**We are still looking for people who may wish to become Welcomers** at both St John's on Saturdays at 6.30pm and at St Teresa's at 11am. If you feel you would like to join the team of welcomers, please contact the Church office for more information or speak to a welcomer when you are at Mass

**LATE VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD:** A vocation discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 will take place at St Beuno's in North Wales from Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The direct link for further details and booking: Discernment Weekend <https://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/discernment-weekend-older-men-2>

**100 Club** – Congratulations to the following people who won prizes in the draw that took place on 15<sup>th</sup> July.

1<sup>st</sup> Prize £100 - number 63 Clare Withnall 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £40 - number 33 John McCabe 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £26.50 - number 111 Chris Ransom

**Macmillan coffee morning** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September as in the past we will also be selling cakes on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> at St John's and at the Coffee mornings on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September

**Live simply: Try buying local!** Try using the acronym LOAF to help buy food that is kinder to our planet. The L in LOAF, stands for 'Local' which reduces the energy used in transporting our food. It supports our local farmers, and will be fresher and therefore more nourishing and tasty. Buying local will mean you are buying things in season. You could even try growing some of your own food which will have zero food miles. Read more about LOAF at [www.greenchristian.org.uk/loaf](http://www.greenchristian.org.uk/loaf).

Please note the **Friendship Club** will not be meeting again until September.

**Thank you continued financial support to the parish Offertory basket 24<sup>th</sup> July £347 & 17<sup>th</sup> July £455** (Brentwood Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 234092)

**Prayer Needs** – We continue to pray for those parishioners who are in need and for those who have recently died

**Lexden Prayer & Praise.** Come and join us. Praise and worship our loving God through song and prayer. Everyone welcome. On the first Wednesday of the month, 7:30 – 9:00pm in St Teresa's church hall. (Parking in the school).

**Adventure in Faith – journey towards World Youth Day, Porto and Lisbon, July 26<sup>th</sup> – August 9<sup>th</sup> 2023.** This amazing opportunity is for anyone who will be aged 17 – 27 in August 2023. Find out more at <https://bcys.net/events/wyd23/>. Express your interest with an email to [WYD@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:WYD@dioceseofbrentwood.org). Only 40 places available

**The Parish Bazaar is back!** On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November Further details to follow

Please return the parish registration and survey forms as we need to update our records so we can let you know of Parish events and announcements.

**Gift Aid** - Please consider gift aiding your offertory donations. Information can be found on the Parish website. Gift Aid Declaration forms can be found at the back of the Church. Every £1.00 you donate to the Church is worth £1.25 when you Gift Aid it, at No Extra Cost to You

Please supply items for the newsletter by the Monday for inclusion on the following Sunday

**John Deasy, a teacher at St Benedict's and a parishioner,** has completed a cycle ride from Edinburgh to Colchester to raise funds for a year 8 student with leukaemia who has lost both of her legs below the knee. Her ambition is to run again and become a paralympian. You can support his tremendous effort by going to [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/fernewillrunagain?utm\\_term=g97JAEaNA](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/fernewillrunagain?utm_term=g97JAEaNA).

**The Knights of Saint Columba** need you! We are looking for Catholic men, aged 16 and over, to join us in our good works of Charity through the spirit of Unity and Fraternity. We aim to support and help as many parishes as possible as well as the good causes that we have continued to help throughout the recent pandemic but can only do so with Volunteers. For more information, please contact George Johnson on 07476781885 or [rd-region6@ksc.org.uk](mailto:rd-region6@ksc.org.uk)

**BCYS Youth Gather** 22nd - 23rd October, Mersea Island Stay in cabins and try a brilliant range of outward-bound activities from climbing high ropes, archery, zip wires and much more to keep you challenged and entertained, with guest speakers and workshops which will give you fresh insights into yourself, and your faith, by telling their stories. Open to all those in years 9 and above, book NOW at [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events)

**Parking at St. Teresa's – please be considerate where you park in the street do not park on the pavement or block drives as this causes problems and inconvenience to our neighbours. The school is open every Sunday for parking**

#### **7-9th OCT 2022 YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS (YCA) WEEKEND**

Theme: "The Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics"

During the weekend of the 7th-9th October 2022, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (and socials). The talks are – Rachael Mackenzie from "Rachael's Vineyard" will be telling her conversion story (Sat) and Fr. Glaysher will be talking about the Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics (Sun).

Prices start from £12 (come for the day) and £55 per person per night (residential). Book soon as places are limited! Please note to guarantee your place Douai Abbey have requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend (16th September 2022).

For More information: <http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/> or <http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>.

To book go to :- <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2022>

**Transylvania: Religion, History & Culture** Fr Eduard Fartan from Holy Family in Benfleet is organising a Pilgrimage to Transylvania from 18<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022. The tour will include many beautiful churches and monasteries often set amongst the stunning Romanian countryside and focus on the melting pot of ancient cultures that have been present in the area. The cost will start be £850 for one place in a double room, with an additional charge of £165 for single occupancy. Flights, half board at 3 and 4 star hotels, travel in Romania and tour guides are included in the price. For more information or to register your interest please send an email to [benfleet@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:benfleet@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

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**Colchester Foodbank** - Donations can be left at the back of the Church. The list of items that are most needed are: small bags of rice, long life milk, & juice, squash, tinned fruit, tinned potatoes, tinned tomatoes, tinned puddings, tins or packets of custard, jam, peanut butter, small jars of coffee, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste/brushes, razors, shower gel, small washing powder/liquid, carrier bags/reusable bags

**CAFOD: Families in Kenya, Ethiopia and South Sudan are facing extreme food shortages and hunger.** The conflict in Ukraine is causing rising prices and food shortages which are making things worse for millions of people who were already facing drought and famine conditions. If you are able to make a donation, no matter how small, you can do so at <https://cafod.org.uk/donations/picker?defaultuniversaltype=single&Appeal=125900>