

St. Theresa of Lisieux, Stansted

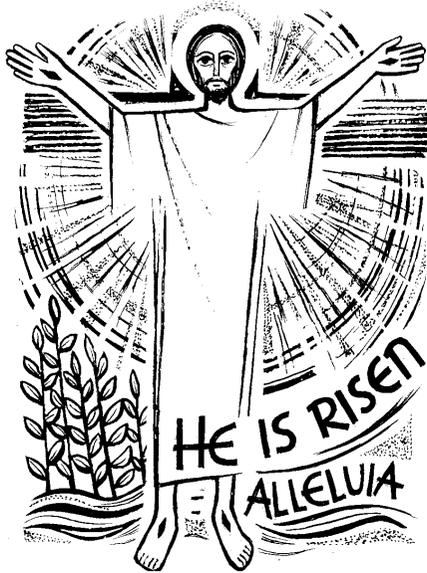
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*Sunday
5th April
2015*



Easter Sunday

Liturgy of the week

Sat 4th April	10.00 – 11.00am* 8.00pm	*Confessions <i>Easter Vigil</i> People of the Parish
Sun 5th April	10.00am	<i>Easter Sunday</i>
Mon 6th April	No Mass*	
Tues 7th April	No Mass*	
Wed 8th April No morning Mass	1.30pm 2.30pm	• Rosary Group • Wednesday Club
Thurs 9th April	9.30am	
Fri 10th April	9.30am	
Sat 11th April	8.00pm	Paddy Needham RIP (M&T Rhead)

- Please note there is no morning Mass this week until Thursday

Share in the cry of praise



*The greatest truth ever revealed to humanity –
He died, He rose again.
A promise which is fulfilled if we have faith in the Lord Jesus
Christ, our Saviour.*

Fr. John Garrett

(Taken from Thought for the Month in April's Link)

Parish news

Prayers for the sick

Please remember to pray for the sick and dying of the parish, in particular for Rafael Hernandez who is gravely ill at this time.



Easter Collection

Please remember that the offertory donations collected at Easter are a personal gift to your Parish Priest.

Update on the church boiler



The church's old boiler had a chequered history in the past with a sludge build up in the system which caused extra strain on its operation. By chance a leak was discovered, fixed and the system was given a chemical treatment to clear and prevent further build up. As a condensing boiler it only had an expected lifespan of around 8 years. By retaining parts from the old Centre's boiler we managed to

extend its working life to 13 years.

In January the boiler blew it's overheat protection fuse. When the engineer tried to fire up the boiler, it failed. It was clear that there was an electronic control failure. With no spares available any more, from the manufacturer, it was clear that a boiler replacement was necessary.

We also had to replace two valves in the system, one of which was found clogged up with minute metal pieces - possibly from the old boiler.

The system is working well now so let us hope it will continue to do so for many years.

Collections Thank you

- The collection amount for 28th/29th March was £484.15 (£272.50 of which was Gift Aid).
- The Second collection for the Easter flowers at church raised £227.02.

Wednesday Club fundraising

Brian Quinn would like to thank everyone at the Wednesday club for the funds raised for the charity Mary's Meals which provides a daily meal for children in schools in many poor countries. Through the Hunger Lunch, raffles and donations during Lent the Wednesday Club raised £115.

Parish & Deanery events

Fairtrade coffee and stall

The Fairtrade coffee morning will be next Sunday, **12th April** after 10.00am Mass in the Parish Centre. There will be a **Traidcraft** Stall with fairly traded items. We will also be selling home-baked cakes and biscuits made with Fairtrade products in aid of the Fairtrade Foundation alongside the usual coffee and tea. Come and buy gifts and goodies and enjoy a scrumptious cake with your coffee. Offers of help with baking and on the day would be gratefully received. Please contact Frances for information or offers to bake, on 01279 850460.

Parish Meeting

Our next parish meeting will be on Thursday **16th April** at 7.30pm. The last meeting had an attendance of just 3 people. The issues raised and discussed at these meetings are issues that affect all of us. We would like as many people as possible to be involved in any decision making. Please, please try to come to our next meeting.

Deanery Quiz

The Deanery is holding a quiz in Dunmow on **8th May**– Parish teams required.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham

This year's pilgrimage to Walsingham will be on **23rd May**. A coach will be provided for the Deanery parishes.

U3A Choir concert

The U3A choir has kindly agreed to come and perform for us here at St. Theresa's. The concert will be on **6th June** to help raise funds for the Boiler Fund. Please keep this date in your diaries. Tickets to go on sale soon.

Local news & events

Spring Village Litter Pick

This year's village clear-up will be on Saturday **11th April**. Volunteers will meet outside the Council Office in Crafton Green at 10:00 am. Every volunteer will get a free meal from Churchill's.

Steph's Wishes afternoon tea

From 1pm - 4pm on Saturday **11th April** at St. John's Hall. With children's activity corner, tombola, raffle and a mini manicure. Steph's Wishes give Memory Days to 18-25 years old with recurring or terminal cancer. Tel 07855 722525.

General Election 2015



Come and meet the Parliamentary candidates for the Saffron Walden constituency at 7.30pm on Tuesday **14th April** at St. John's church in Stansted. Organised by Churches together in Stansted. Everyone is welcome.

Diocesan events & information

Connected Destinies

Bishop Stephen Cottrell will share his thoughts on Social Inequality. All are welcome to the third in the series of Living Easter talks which takes place at New Hall School on Saturday **11th April**. Doors open at 9.00am with prayers at 9.30am. Lecture from 10.00am -12.15pm. Please book through the website. No charge.

www.canonesses.co.uk/event-bookings

Service in honour of the Divine Mercy

Please join us at 3.00pm on Sunday **12th April** at St. Joseph's & the English Martyrs, Bishops Stortford.

Retreat in Everyday Life at Clare Priory

The idea of making a retreat is not always practical due to work and family commitments. Clare Priory's Silent Prayer ministry team is offering a way which can fit into ordinary life.

Running from **18th April** to **16th May** with full days on both dates and periods of prayer between these dates. The cost of the retreat is £70 including the two full days and a buffet lunch. For further details and to book a place please phone Kathy on 01787 277326 or go to www.clarepriory.org.uk. Please see poster in the church entrance.

Be Still and Know that I am God

A Day of Silent Prayer led by Sister Magdalen Houlihan from Clare Priory On Saturday **9th May** at St Johns Church 10am-3.30pm. To Register Contact Kathy West 01279 816293

Walsingham Pilgrimage

This pilgrimage will be on **13th June** to pray for the beatification of Venerable Catherine McAuley through the intercession of Our Lady of Walsingham and for your own special intentions. The coach will leave Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Tilbury at 7am (please arrive 6.45am). We leave Walsingham at 5pm for the journey back to Tilbury. Cost £20.00. Contact Sr. Teresa on 01375 844041 for more information.

Dates for your diary

- **12th April** - Fairtrade coffee and stall Parish Centre, after 10am Mass
- **16th April** - Parish meeting St. Theresa's room 7.30pm
- **24th April** - Day of Drums Parish Centre, 10.00am – 12.30pm
- **8th May** - Deanery Quiz, Dunmow
- **23rd May** - Pilgrimage to Walsingham
- **6th June** - U3AChoir concert, Parish Centre, 7.30pm