

St. Theresa of Lisieux

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Sunday
8th
November
2015



Remembrance
Sunday

32nd Sunday in
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Liturgy of the week

Sat 7th November	10.00 – 11.00am 6.00pm	Confessions Holy Souls
Sun 8th November	10.00am	Holy Souls
Mon 9th November		Holy Souls
Tues 10th November	9.30am	Holy Souls
Wed 11th November (No morning Mass)	1.30pm 2.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosary Group• Wednesday Club
Thurs 12th November	9.30am	Holy Souls
Fri 13th November	9.30am	Holy Souls
Sat 14th November	6.00pm	Maria Mastrandrea RIP Anniversary of death (T. Mastrandrea)

Parish news & events



Remembrance Sunday

On this day we remember all those who gave their lives for their country, all who suffered and died through acts of war and those who were left behind to grieve and mourn.

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

From Laurence Binyon's poem *For the Fallen*, written in September 1914

Poppies

Poppies are available in the church foyer. Please leave your donation in the collection box.

November – Month of Holy Souls

During the month of November the Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven.

Envelopes to list the names of departed loved ones are available at the back of the church.

Parish Meeting – Please join us

Our next parish meeting is to be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday **17th November** (not 10th November as previously printed). We will be discussing arrangements for Christmas so it is important that as many people as possible turn up to give their opinions.

We especially need participation from parishioners involved in any of the parish groups. Please remember to keep this date free.



Operation Christmas Child – Donations needed

The Wednesday club have made up the boxes and they are now waiting in the hall to be filled with your gifts. We still need notebooks, pencils, pens, sweets, soap, flannels and small toys like cars, skipping ropes or yo-yo's. With only 2 weeks left we would be so grateful if you would all remember to bring in just a few of the above mentioned items and put them in the box in the porch. They will go to some of the poorest children in the world to show our love for them and to make this Christmas special for them. For some this may be the only gifts they will ever receive. Each box costs £3 to send so if you would rather make a donation please make your cheque out to Samaritans Purse. Thank you so much. Further information for Eileen or Brian Tel: 01279 812109.

Collections for 31st October/1st November. Many thanks.

The collection amount for last week was £353.88 (Gift Aid £212.00).

Parish Music

We are appealing to anyone in the parish who can play the organ or piano to help us out. If you play the piano you will get help on how to play our lovely organ. We are also appealing to other instrumentalists who could play along to hymns and keep us in tune. Please don't be shy – if you have musical talent, make yourself known to Fr. John or any member of the choir and you will be greeted with open arms!



Sign Up for St Theresa's Got Talent

There is still time to sign up. Maybe you know a funny song, a tragic poem or you have some undisclosed talent. Don't keep it to yourself – share it!

There are forms in the entrance to the Church to sign your name and your act and also to ask for contributions for

food and nibbles for the evening.

It will be on Saturday **14th November** at 7.30pm in St Theresa's Parish Centre.

There will be a run through for all Acts between 2-4pm that afternoon. Even if you do not want to perform, please come along to support the acts!

Village Celebration of Christmas

Our Parish is pleased to host the traditional Stansted Village Celebration of Christmas Event this year on Saturday **19th December** at 3pm in the Church.

Please put this date and time in your diaries and come along to join in this community celebration of Christmas carols and readings. There will be refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards and the collection will be for the Red Cross Refugee Fund. Please come and enjoy this lovely festive occasion.

Local & Diocesan News & Events

Our Lady of Compassion, Saffron Walden Quiz Night

On Friday **13th November** at 7.30 for 8pm. The cost is £7 per head, ploughman's supper included. Bring your own liquid refreshment and glasses. Newport village hall, tables of 8 or just come and join in. See poster in the porch.



Christmas Flower Demonstration

Christmas Extravaganza by Gill McGregor on Wednesday **18th November** at Ugley Village Hall. 7.30 p.m. for 8.00 p.m. start. Entrance £5 to include a drink and mince pie. Contact Mary Rhead on 01279 647265 for further information.

Healing Mass at Abbotswick House of Prayer

To be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at 2.30pm on Wednesday **18th November** 2015. Please call 01277 373959 or visit www.abbotswick.org for more information.

All are welcome!



Today's bible reading is from Mark 12 where we hear how people brought offerings to the temple treasury. Some of the rich people made a big show of how much money they were giving but it didn't impress Jesus. Jesus saw a poor widow who came up and put in two small coins. Hardly anyone noticed at all. Jesus told his disciples that it was this poor widow who had given the most of all! The large sum of money given by the rich was money they had to spare but in God's eyes the poor widow actually gave more because she gave everything she had.

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Giving to others

Do you have any new (or almost new) toys, notebooks, pens and pencils you could donate to the Christmas Shoebox appeal? Small gifts and sweets from party bags are ideal. We only have a short time left to collect. Please bring in any donations and leave them in the box in the foyer. These shoeboxes are given to boys and girls in need who may not receive any other presents at Christmas.

Children's Liturgy

There will be Children's Liturgy in the Parish Centre next week. This is open to all children over the age of 3. Please come and join us.

Your picture could be in the newsletter

Don't forget to email any pictures to Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org or post them under the office door. A picture of a bible story or a picture of Jesus. We especially want your Christmas story pictures.

To place a notice in this newsletter, please contact Anna on Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org