

# St. Theresa of Lisieux

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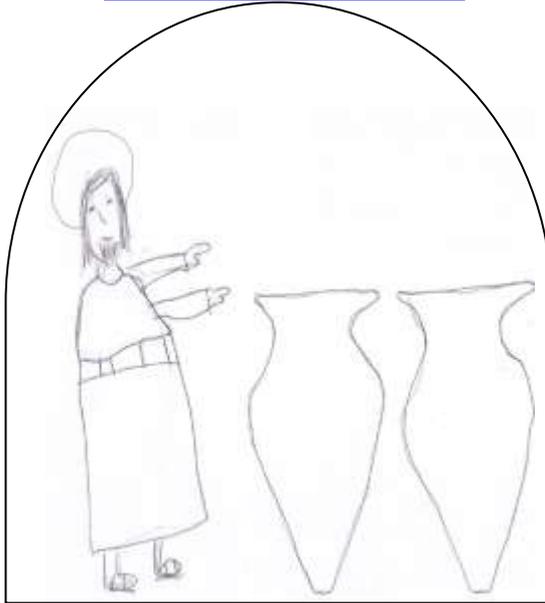
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**Sunday**  
**17<sup>th</sup>**  
**January**  
**2016**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**  
**(Year C)**

Picture by Rafael, aged 7

## Liturgy of the week

<b>Sat 16<sup>th</sup> January</b>	10.00 – 11.00am* 6.00pm	*Confessions <b>Hans May</b> (K Whiting)
<b>Sun 17<sup>th</sup> January</b>	10.00am	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Mon 18<sup>th</sup> January</b>	9.30am	<b>Rev. John Gordon</b>
<b>Tues 19<sup>th</sup> January</b>	9.30am	<b>Cornelius van Hage RIP</b> (B Pattie)
<b>Wed 20<sup>th</sup> January</b>	10.00am  1.30pm 2.30pm	Requiem Mass <b>Marion van Terheyden</b> • Rosary Group • Wednesday Club
<b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> January</b>	9.30am	
<b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	9.30am	
<b>Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	6.00pm	<b>People of the Parish</b>



Mary responds to the lack of wine by approaching Jesus with confidence, by praying. Pope Francis said, “She teaches us to put our families in God’s hands, to pray, to kindle the hope which shows us that our concerns are also God’s concerns.” Prayer, he continued, “always lifts us out of our worries and concerns.”

## *Parish news & Events*

### **Prayers for the deceased of our parish**

Please pray for our friend and fellow parishioner Marion van Terheyden who sadly died during an operation on Friday. Her requiem Mass will be held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January. Also please pray for Mrs Bruna Bonino who died in Hargrave House. Her requiem Mass will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January. There will be no morning Mass that day.

### **Second Collections**

This weekend’s second collection will be for Pax Christie. Pax Christi International is a Catholic peace movement that promotes peace, respect of human rights, justice and reconciliation throughout the world.

### **Collection for 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> January. Many thanks.**

The collection amount for was £563.24 (Gift Aid £266.30).

### **Bonus Ball Competition Winners**

The winners for December were: **5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> December** - Robin Ketley with number 23, **19<sup>th</sup> December** - David Horton with number 42 and **26<sup>th</sup> December** – Ruth Rawlinson with number 20.

Currently there are 6 numbers available on Bonus Ball – if your number is picked as the Bonus Ball in the weekly Saturday Lotto draw you win £30. The cost is £1 per week – if you are interested contact John Richardson on 01279817102 or email at [jrichardson1@btconnect.com](mailto:jrichardson1@btconnect.com)

### **Thank you**

Father John would like to thank all of his parishioners for their generous gifts of donations over the Christmas period.

### **A message from Churches Together in Stansted**

Our two annual Christmas events – the celebration of Christmas and the Village Carol Singing – raised the amazing sum of £1056 for the Red Cross Refugee Appeal. Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed, and to the organisers and those who participated.

### **Thank you for your donations**

Many thanks to all those who donated food to the Food Bank appeal.

### **Volunteers**

If you are looking for a new challenge in the New Year, why not join our parish team of volunteers? There are plenty of opportunities available to suit everyone. We are currently looking for someone to join the tea and coffee rota, could you spare some time every once in a while? Could you help out every few weeks on the cleaning rota or with gardening? Are you maybe a bit of a handy person or interested in Health & Safety? Please get in touch on [Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

### **Diaries and Directories**

There are 2016 diaries at the back of the church for 20p each. Also, if you would like a Brentwood Diocesan Directory, they are £2.75.

## *Local News & Events*

### **Family Café**

The family café will be open in January on **17<sup>th</sup>** and **23<sup>rd</sup> January** from 10am – 11.30am at the Day Centre.

### **Music@Stansted**

Come and enjoy music by Bowen, Schubert, Brahms and Chopin at St. John's church on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 3pm. With Ugne Tiskute on viola and Alexandra Vaduva on piano. Tickets available from Absolute Travel on Chapel Hill.

### **Don't just give up this year. Give**

The next local blood donation session is on **3<sup>rd</sup> February** at Rhodes Arts Complex, Bishops Stortford.

## *Diocesan News & Events*

### **Events at Clare Priory**

#### **• Our Residential retreats "Rediscovering Sabbath in our lives"**

4.00 pm Tuesday 16th February to after lunch Thursday **18<sup>th</sup> February** (A really good way to begin Lent with a special focus of this time.)

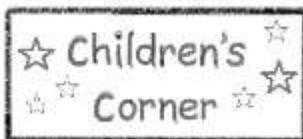
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• **Into a Silent Place**

On **23<sup>rd</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> February**. This whole day will be spent in silence. As in the past we will hold these days on Tuesday and Thursday. We will continue to provide group support for those who are new to silent prayer and in addition individual one to one support for those who would find this helpful. The usual soup lunch will be provided. There will be two start times, 9.30am for those who wish to go to Mass and 10.30 for those who wish to come later.

**Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi**

3 Nights in Rome, 2 nights in Assisi from Monday **9<sup>th</sup> May** to Saturday **14<sup>th</sup> May**. £699 pp (shared room). Closing date for bookings **31<sup>st</sup> January**. Booking forms available at the back of the church.



Jesus performed His first miracle at a wedding in the city of Cana. His mother, Mary noticed that the wine had run out. She told Jesus, knowing he could help. She said to the servants "Do whatever Jesus tells you". Jesus told them to fill six stone jars with water. They did and when they tasted the water, they found that it had become the most delicious wine.

Listen to the gospel reading today and see how many of these words you can hear.

Find the words on the Word Search below.

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