

St. Theresa of Lisieux

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*Sunday
18th
October
2015*



*29th Sunday in
Ordinary
Time,
Year B*

Liturgy of the week

Sat 17th October	10.00 – 11.00am 6.00pm	Confessions Laurence McCreanor (S. Wood)
Sun 18th October	10.00am	Rosary Group & Wednesday Club (MvT)
Mon 19th October	9.30am	
Tues 20th October	9.30am	
Wed 21st October (No morning Mass)	1.30pm 2.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosary Group• Wednesday Club
Thurs 22nd October	9.30am	
Fri 23rd October	9.30am	
Sat 24th October	6.00pm	John O'Grady RIP

Sunday 18th October

- 8.45am First Communion Class, Parish Centre
- 10.00am Children's Liturgy, Parish Centre
- Please join us for tea and coffee after Mass in the Parish Centre



Parish news & events

Parish Meeting

Our next parish committee meeting is to be held on Tuesday **10th November** at 7.30pm. 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.

Collections for 10th /11th October. Many thanks.

The collection amount for last week was £451.82 (Gift Aid £223.00).

Red Mission boxes

Please bring in your APF red box next weekend **24th/25th October** and collect a new box. If you want to know how much was in your box, please remember to put your name and address on the bottom of the box you leave.

This weekend's Second Collection is for World Mission Day

Share your faith - give life. It is the one Sunday in the year when the Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity. Donations are collected at these worldwide Masses and they go, in their entirety, to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. World Mission Sunday is our chance to show love and solidarity to our brothers and sisters overseas who share our faith. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

Rita Morson's Book

Some parishioners will be aware that Rita broke her neck in two places in a car accident four years ago. She was taken to Addenbrookes and Stanmore where she was told that she would not walk again. With the love, support and prayers of her family, friends and community, she has been able to make a miraculous recovery. Since then, Rita has written a book about her experiences, both traumatic and spiritual. The Book is now published and will be available at Millways, Stansted, Elsenham Post Office, and Henham Shop. Alternatively talk to Rita and David or phone 01279 850209 or email davidmorson20@gmail.com

Encounter group

Encounter Day next Friday **23rd October** in the Parish Centre. Isobel Bradshaw, a professional singer, will talk on "Be inspired to sing with mind, body& spirit"
A workshop style morning for singers & non-singers alike. 10.00am coffee, 10.30am meeting, 12.30pm shared lunch, ends at 2pm. All welcome for all or part of the day. Enquiries 816916.

Bonus Ball competition winner

The winner of the Bonus Ball competition on 10th October was John O'Brien with number 8.

Sign Up for St Theresa's Got Talent

Now is the time to sign up!

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.



Operation Christmas Child 2015

This year we will again be filling shoeboxes with small gifts, school supplies, hats, gloves and scarves suitable for 4-14 years together with soap, toothbrushes, facecloths etc. A box is in the porch with a list of suitable gifts shown on the lid. We rely on your generosity as usual to help us fill the boxes and are always especially in need of suitable gifts for boys. Please bring

in your gifts during October and put them in the designated box. There are so many needy children in the world, some who have never received a gift at Christmas. This year many of the boxes will be sent to the refugee children. The Wednesday Club will put the boxes together on 21st and 28th October and will then be filling boxes with your gifts on **4th November** between 2pm and 4pm - Why not join us? You can also sponsor a shoebox with a cheque for £3 made payable to Samaritans Purse. Last year we filled over 100 boxes and it would be wonderful if with your generosity we could do the same this year. For more information ring: Eileen /Brian Quinn on 812109 or Helen Baker on 814865.

Confirmations 2016

We would like to catch up on our Confirmation cycle by holding Confirmations in May 2016 assuming we have a group of at least 4 candidates. This is not in line with the Bishop's pastoral visit and so Father John will seek permission of the Bishop to minister the sacrament.

As a parishioner, if it is your wish to be put forward for the sacrament and are 14 years old or older at the time of preparation (in Year 9 or above) please write to Father John stating your wish, date of birth and confirming the place of your baptism by **1st November**.



November – Month of Holy Souls

In November, we pray for the souls of our departed loved ones. Envelopes and lists will be available to collect soon.

Gardening

As mentioned by Fr. John Last Saturday, 6 people started working on the borders weeding and generally tidying them up. There is still a lot of work needing to be done so on Saturday 17th @ 9:30am another work party will continue this work –PLEASE CAN YOU HELP –all that is needed are basic gardening tools. No need to notify anyone; just turn up in the morning and help.



Parish Centre booking

For all Parish Hall booking enquiries, please contact Tony Rhead on 647265.

Diocesan events

Healing Mass at Abbotswick House of Prayer

To be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at Abbotswick House of Prayer Brentwood at 2.30pm on Wednesday **21st October**. Please call 01277 373959 or visit www.abbotswick.org for more information. All are welcome!

Youth pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine in Knock

The Brentwood Catholic Youth Service is pleased and excited to offer a brand new pilgrimage on **24th – 26th October** to Our Lady's Shrine in Knock and the opportunity to Climb St Patrick's Holy Mountain. The pilgrimage is open to anyone who will be in Year 12 or above when we travel. The full cost is £350 and includes flights, accommodation and meals. Forms are available now at bcys.net/events or email info@bcys.net for more information. There are only 25 places, so sign up fast.

World Youth Day 2016

Visit Krakow, Poland and see Pope Francis on World Youth Day. This is a 12 day pilgrimage from **25th July 2016** with Brentwood Catholic Youth Service (bcys.net) for year 11 and over. Please visit www.bcys.net/event/world-youth-day or see noticeboard for more details.

BRES Courses

Saturday **24th October** 9.30am to 12.00pm – **New Ofsted Framework for Schools**, Susan Watts (Open to current school Governors)

Thursday **5th November** 9.30am to 12.00pm – **Laudato Si – Implications and challenges** for Catholic Schools, Fr. Martin Boland

To reserve a place for the courses at Cathedral House, Ingrave Road, Brentwood, CM15 8AT, please contact Lisa Gunther, email:

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