

St. Theresa of Lisieux

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Sunday
22nd
November
2015



Our Lord Jesus
Christ the
King
Year B

Liturgy of the week

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| Sat 21st November | 10.00 – 11.00am 6.00pm | Confessions Richard Sweeney RIP 2nd Anniversary (R. Sweeney) |
| Sun 22nd November Christ the King | 10.00am | Apolonia Babula RIP |
| Mon 23rd November | | Holy Souls |
| Tues 24th November | 9.30am | Holy Souls |
| Wed 25th November (No morning Mass) | 1.30pm 2.30pm | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosary Group• Wednesday Club |
| Thurs 26th November | 11.00am | Deanery Requiem |
| Fri 27th November | 9.30am | Holy Souls |
| Sat 28th November | 6.00pm | Christy Kissane RIP (R. Sweeney) |



November – Month of Holy Souls

Please continue to pray for the repose of the souls of the dearly departed friends and family of the parish.

Envelopes to list the names of departed loved ones are available at the back of the church and will be placed in the box on the altar and prayed over during this month.

Collections for 14th/15th November. Many thanks.

The collection amount for last week was £521.67 (Gift Aid £244.50).

National Youth Sunday

This weekend's second collection will be for National Youth Sunday. In England and Wales, the Feast of Christ the King, 22nd November, each year is dedicated to welcoming, involving and empowering young Catholics. In his address to young people on Palm Sunday this year, Pope Francis focused on the beatitude 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.' (Matthew 5:7). This year the theme for National Youth Sunday combines this Beatitude with the celebration of Christ the King as we are invited to make Jesus our 'King of Hearts'. The aim of the resources produced is to provoke thought, conversation and prayer around the question 'who, or what, rules my heart?'

Deanery Requiem Mass

There will be a Mass for the deceased of the Deanery on Thursday **26th November** at 11.00am. This is for priests and parishioners of the Deanery. Please note there will be no 9.30am Mass on that day.

St. Theresa's Got Talent night

Thanks to those who came out in the bad weather to support our acts on Saturday night. The acts did extremely well and were greatly entertaining for those watching. We were especially pleased to have had a number of children take part too. Photos of the event are now in the gallery on our website. If you have any photos of the event, please email them to Anna at Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org.

Social Committee

Being a member of St. Theresa's Church means being a member of a community. All of our parish social events are held in order to strengthen the ties within this community and are important to all of us, young and old alike. For this reason we are looking for new members to join the Social Committee. We are particularly interested in hearing from parents of children of all ages. We are keen for more people to attend our events and for fresh ideas. Please contact Anna Watkins if you would like to join the committee or share ideas.

Sunday Coffee

We are in need of another volunteer to help with our Sunday coffees. If you feel you could spare 1 hour once every 2 months then please ring Eileen Quinn 01279 812109

CAFOD Parish contact required

Our parish has been a generous supporter of CAFOD's work over many years and now a new opportunity has arisen for a volunteer to help us continue our support. This varied role could include organising talks, events, and collections for Fast Days, emergency appeals, as well as supporting CAFOD's campaigns and ensuring CAFOD's work is held in prayer. This is a rewarding opportunity and a role that can ultimately help improve the lives of people in need across the world and enrich the life of our parish. Full training and support will be provided by CAFOD. Please contact Chris Driscoll at CAFOD Brentwood at brentwood@cafod.org.uk or call 07776 493162 for more information.

Christmas at St. Theresa's

St. John's Ambulance Carol Concert

St. John's Ambulance is holding a carol concert here at St. Theresa's Church on Saturday **5th December** at 3pm. Please come along to offer your support.

Penitential Service

There will be no Penitential service at St. Theresa's Church this Christmas but there will be confessions heard on Saturday **12th & 19th December** between 10am – 11am.

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 along and enjoy this lovely festive occasion



Children's service and Christmas party

The Children's service this year will be at 2pm on Sunday **20th December**. This will be followed by the children's party in the Parish Centre. Places will need to be booked, more information to follow.

Singers and trumpet players needed

We need someone to play the trumpet or cornet in two or three carols at the Churches Together Celebration on **19th December**.

We are also looking for anyone who has some experience of singing in a choir to join in this Celebration of Christmas. This is a community event so friends, family, or neighbours who sing in other local choirs are warmly invited to join us. There may be opportunities for other instruments too. Please contact Ros Page on 810813 or rospagemusic@yahoo.com as soon as possible if you are interested in taking part.

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



Christ the King

Today we celebrate The Feast of Christ the King. In today's Gospel, Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate who asked him "Are you King of the Jews?" Jesus replied "My Kingdom is not of this world.....I came into this world to share truth and love and those who know and love the truth will listen to me."

Are we listening to Jesus?

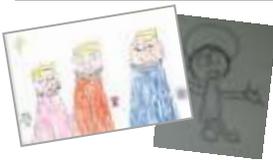
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When Fr. John reads today's Gospel see if you can hear any of these words.

Pictures for the Newsletter



Please send in your advent and Christmas pictures. Pictures will be chosen to go into the newsletter. Remember to write on your name and age.

St. Francis Leprosy Bottle

After Mass, see if you can find this bottle in the church? The money in this bottle goes to help people suffering from leprosy all around the world. Do you have any spare change to put into it? When it was emptied the last time, it had £33 of change in it. Let's see if the children of St. Theresa's parish can make a difference.

