



St. Theresa of Lisieux Catholic Church

Stansted Mountfitchet

2nd Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Sunday 25th February 2018



<i>Date</i>	<i>Mass Time</i>	<i>Intentions</i>
Saturday 24 th Feb	†6.00pm	Ellen Connolly RIP (Horton Family)
Sunday 25 th Feb	†10.00am	
Monday 26 th Feb	No Mass	-----
Tuesday 27 th Feb	†9.30am	
Wednesday 28 th Feb	†9.30am 1.30pm 2.30pm	Kitty McAloon RIP (E. Rosair) Rosary Group Wednesday Club
Thursday 1 st Mar	†9.30am	
Friday 2 nd Mar	†9.30am 7.30pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday 3 rd Mar	10.00 – 11.00 †6.00pm	Confessions

Please use the envelopes in the foyer to request Masses and post into the postbox



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LENT

Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7.30pm.

Diocesan 2nd Collection next weekend 3rd /4th March

There will be a Diocesan 2nd collection following next weekend's Masses.

CaFE returns to St Theresa's

A new CaFE course is being offered to the parish. It is called **Let It Be** (done unto me according to Thy Word) It is about Mary, Mother of God and will appeal to anyone who wants to deepen their knowledge of or their devotion to the Mother of our Saviour. As is usual with CaFE courses it takes the form of a 20 min video followed by a general discussion, each person contributing as much as they want. It is very informal and takes place in the friendly cafe atmosphere created in the Parish Centre. Evening sessions will begin in April. The first daytime session is to be part of the Wednesday Club activities and begins on **28th February** and will take place once a month. The Rosary is said starting at 1'30pm, followed by the video, which will be about 2.15pm if you are not coming to the Rosary. Tea and cakes follow. A friendly and welcoming atmosphere is guaranteed. Everyone is welcome.

Lent Course: Feast or Famine?

Run by Churches Together, Feast or Famine? is a five-week Lent course that considers the practical issues of economic austerity versus plenty in modern Britain and beyond. How can we understand the inequalities of today in light of core Gospel themes, and how can Christians respond?

The course will start on **20th February** and will run from 7.30pm to 9pm on five Tuesdays in Lent in St Theresa's Parish Centre. Each week the leader will be from a different church. The weekly themes are:

- Hunger or Satisfaction? (**27th February**)
- Health or Wealth? (**6th March**)
- Security or Insecurity? (**13th March**)
- Cutting or Investing? (**20th March**)

Deanery Day of Recollection

Saturday **17th March**. Fr. Robert Eccles. Friendship and Charity. More info to follow but keep the date free.



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Women's World Day of Prayer

This will be held here at St. Theresa's church this Friday **2nd March** at 1.30pm. This year the service has been written by the women of Suriname in South America and is a beautiful service of hymns and readings about cherishing God's gift of Creation.

The service will have been translated into over 60 different languages and will be celebrated in 170 countries and islands. Here in the British Isles, some 6000 services will be taken [place. Please join us for this lovely service. Refreshments afterwards.



Fairtrade - Come on in!

Our Fairtrade event this year will be on the weekend of **10th/11th March**, Mothering Sunday. Plenty of time to save up to buy that little gift for Mum on the Tradecraft stall. Enjoy Fairtrade products, tea, coffee, cakes and give yourself a chance to win in our raffle. After both Masses in the Parish Centre.

Collection figures for January

Month	GA	Loose	Standing Orders	Total	Month total	Diocesan Second collections	Comments
January	£283.90	£185.34	£760.00	£1,229.24	£3,395.51	£181.34	January
	£345.90	£200.55		£546.45		£18.51	Crib
	£380.00	£174.87		£554.87			
	£326.00	£222.32		£548.32			
	£245.00	£271.63		£516.63		£221.72	February

Many thanks!

Many thanks to those generous parishioners who attended the Wednesday Group's hunger lunch on Ash Wednesday in aid of CAFOD. We raised the magnificent sum of £120 which with Gift Aid can be doubled. Thanks also to the ladies who made the delicious soups. We had a great time.

CAFOD collection

Please remember to return your CAFOD envelopes this weekend. This Lent we are working to combat malnutrition in Zimbabwe. Hunger can kill children, but CAFOD is providing seeds, fencing and farming training for families and communities so that everyone has enough to eat.



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Easter cards

Please be aware that Easter cards are now on sale in our Repository (in the church porch). We also have cards for all occasions. Please have a look.

Mass times for Easter

Please pick up a flyer at the back of the church with Easter Mass times.



Diocesan Notices

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

There are several charity places for The Vitality London 10K run on Monday **28th May**. This May bank holiday event has a lovely atmosphere and takes in many of London's iconic landmarks, finishing in front of Buckingham Palace with all the event facilities, food and entertainment close by in Green Park. For each place, we ask for a registration fee of £30 and a pledge to raise a minimum sponsorship of £200. If you have your own place in the race, we would love to have you on our team; we won't set a sponsorship target, but any funds you can raise for us would be hugely appreciated. For further information, please contact Julie at jabbott@bccs.org.uk or 07912 277413.

Exhibition on the Shroud of Turin

An exhibition about the Shroud of Turin, including a full sized replica of the Shroud, will take place from **5th - 11th March** at Our Lady immaculate Church, Chelmsford. The exhibition opens with Mass at 7.30pm on **Monday 5th March**. Each day there are confessions, Stations of the Cross and Mass. The week culminates with Mass at 12noon on Saturday **10th March**. The exhibition will remain in place on Sunday **11th March**.

Monthly Faith Meetings

These are held at Our Lady of Compassion, Saffron Walden, on the first Tuesday of the month, at 6:30pm - 7:30/8pm. Principal aim: To bring together members of different Faith Communities for dialogue in order to deepen understanding, to reduce prejudice and to promote unity within diversity.

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