



St. Theresa of Lisieux Catholic Church  
Stansted Mountfitchet



**The Epiphany of the Lord (Year C)**  
**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019**



DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS
Saturday <b>5<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>†6.00pm</b>	<b>Margaret De Maillet RIP</b> (J & A Richardson)
Sunday <b>6<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>†10.00am</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>
Monday <b>7<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>No Mass on Monday</b>	
Tuesday <b>8<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>†9.30am</b>	
Wednesday <b>9<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>†9.30am</b>	
Thursday <b>10<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>†9.30am</b>	
Friday <b>11<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>†9.30am</b>	
Saturday <b>12<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>†6.00pm</b>	<b>John, Kath Whiting &amp; Family</b> (M Keane)



There will be tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday **6<sup>th</sup> January** in the Parish Centre



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*"We saw his star in the east  
and have come to  
worship him."*

**Matthew 2:2**

**Today's Readings** can be found on page **115** of the Parish Mass book.  
The **Communion Antiphon** is on page **117**.



## **Parish News & Events**

**Eucharistic Ministers** A meeting will be held for all Eucharistic Ministers on Wednesday, **9<sup>th</sup> January** 2019 at 7.30pm. Your attendance at this meeting would be much appreciated. **Fr John**.

**Second Collection for January** There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> Diocesan Collection this weekend, **5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> January**.

**Social Committee Meeting** Please come for a brief meeting in the Parish Centre after Sunday Mass on Sunday **6<sup>th</sup> January** to discuss upcoming events. Everyone is welcome.

**The Giving Machine** Join up whenever you can and start raising funds for your church. If you need some help, please bring in your iPad, tablet, phone or any device and Anna Watkins will be more than happy to assist in signing you up. Or email to arrange a convenient time [Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

**Make your voice heard** We need to grow our existing group of Readers, so young or old or somewhere in the middle, if you have a good clear voice and would like to be involved with 'The Liturgy of the Word', please contact Tony Rhead, Des Connors or Anna Watkins or by email at [stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org) with cc to [aksrhead@msn.com](mailto:aksrhead@msn.com) to register your interest.



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### **From Pope Francis' Christmas message**

*Like the shepherds who first went with haste to the stable, let us halt in wonder before the sign that God has given us: "A baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger" (Lk 2:12). In silence, let us fall to our knees and worship.*

*What does that Child, born for us of the Virgin Mary, have to tell us? What is the universal message of Christmas? It is that God is a good Father and we are all brothers and sisters.*

*This truth is the basis of the Christian vision of humanity. Without the fraternity that Jesus Christ has bestowed on us, our efforts for a more just world fall short, and even our best plans and projects risk being soulless and empty.*

*For this reason, my wish for a happy Christmas is a wish for fraternity.*

*Fraternity among individuals of every nation and culture.*

*Fraternity among people with different ideas, yet capable of respecting and listening to one another.*

**New Year** If you are interested in a new opportunity this year, how about helping out in the church in some way? It could be reading, cleaning, maintenance or serving tea and coffee after Mass. There are many groups hard at work behind the scenes who would be happy to have a new helping hand. If you are interested, please put your details into the post box in the church foyer so it can be passed onto the relevant group.



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### Spring Spirituality Talk

Mgr David Manson will be giving a talk on “**The Spirituality of Pope Francis**”- Saturday **19<sup>th</sup> January** 2019 - 10.30am-12.00noon at Cathedral House Conference Centre, Brentwood. Contact details: [jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:jude@dioceseofbrentwood.org) Tel. 01277 265285.

### Governor Training

Saturday **26<sup>th</sup> January** 2019 - 10.30am-12.00noon at Cathedral House Conference Centre, Brentwood. The topics are: “**Preparing for OFSTED and Section 48 Inspections.**” This training will be led by Debbi Botham Diocesan Coordinator for Governance and Derek Kelly Educational consultant and Section 48 Inspector. Contact details: [debbibotham@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:debbibotham@dioceseofbrentwood.org) Tel. 01277 265284.

### The Gospel of Luke

On Wednesdays **23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> January** at 7 pm Fr Adrian Graffy will lead an exploration of the Gospel of Luke, the gospel being read on Sundays in 2019. These ‘Gidea Park Faith Evenings’ will take place in the hall at Gidea Park Catholic Church (410 Brentwood Road, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH). Please book by email to [GPstudydays@gmail.com](mailto:GPstudydays@gmail.com) Refreshments provided. Admission free.

### Catholic Singles

This is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website [www.catholicssingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicssingles.org.uk) or email [info@catholicssingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicssingles.org.uk)

Welcome to St. Theresa of Lisieux Church

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