

St. Theresa of Lisieux Catholic Church Stansted Mountfitchet



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) Sunday 21st July 2019



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Date	Intentions	Time	Events / Groups /
			Occasion
Saturday 20 th July	Russell Wood RIP (S Wood)	†6.00pm	Mass
Sunday 21st July	People of the Parish	†10.00am	Mass



Join us for tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday **<u>21</u>st July** in the Parish Centre. You can also buy a small plant to support St. Elizabeth's charity.

NB. Until further notice. there will be no weekday Masses at this time at St. Theresa's Church.





Open our heart, O Lord to accept the words of your son.

Acts 16:14

Parish Notices

Father John There is some good news that Father John has finally been able to leave Saffron Walden Hospital and is now settled as a resident in Conewood Manor Care Home, 60 Dunmow Rd, Bishops Stortford, CM23 5HL. Father would love to see people and there is no prior need to make the home aware of attending. Please keep him always in your prayers. Des.

Prayers Please pray for all the children of the parish at this time. Some are leaving Primary School and going on to new adventures at Secondary School, we pray that they will be very happy in their new schools. Also please pray for all of those who are awaiting exam results and wish them every success in their future endeavours.





Plant Sale There are a number of plants for any for anyone to take home for a donation to charity. Please leave donations in the box provided. All donations will

go directly to St. Elizabeth's Centre, a national charity supporting children and adults of all ages with epilepsy and other complex medical conditions, the severity of which impacts upon their health, social, behaviour, learning and emotional development. St. Elizabeth's offer access to high-quality, individualised care, education and leisure opportunities, helping everyone to live their lives to the fullest. The plants will be in the Parish Centre during our coffee morning. Any remaining plants will be sold the following Saturday evening in the church foyer.

Have you any wool? The ladies of the Wednesday Club are knitting scarves, hats, gloves and toys for the Christmas shoeboxes. If anyone has any double knit knitting wool they no longer need, please could you donate it to them? There will be a box in the church foyer for wool donations. Many thanks.







Confirmation 2020 Bishop Alan will be paying a pastoral visit to our parish next year. This will be on a Sunday with the date to be finalised and confirmed.

The Bishop will be conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation during Mass on this visit.

Any parents who would like to register their children for Confirmation in 2020, or indeed any adults who have not yet been confirmed, are asked to contact Deacon Des on the e mail provided at the back of the newsletter.

The requirements for St. Theresa of Lisieux candidates for Confirmation are:

- The Candidate must be in Year 9 in this forthcoming Academic year.
- St Theresa of Lisieux, must be the candidate's regular place of worship.
- The candidate must be a baptised Catholic.

A Confirmation programme for the candidates will be outlined in due course, but will probably be starting in September this year.

Mass Intentions If you have a Mass intentions for the weekend Masses, please complete the envelopes in the Church Foyer and place into the Post Box next to the shelves. These will be said by the visiting priest. Thank you.

Gift Aid Annual Letters If you are a Gift Aid donor, whether by standing order or envelope, the annual statement and expression of gratitude letter is now available for collection. Please collect yours on the way out after Mass. Also, if you would like to become a Gift Aid donor, just enter your name and address (nothing else) on a Gift Aid Declaration form, which you can also collect/complete on your way out. For any queries, please email Angelo Rava at <u>stansted-giftaid@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u>



Using the Giving Machine whilst shopping online is the easiest way to raise money for your chosen charities – including St. Theresa's church. It's really

easy and won't cost you a penny more. Whether you're booking a holiday, renewing home or car insurance or buying stationary supplies for the next school year, don't forget you can make FREE money for our church or your school. Since St. Theresa's church signed up to the Giving Machine, parishioners have raised £318.92! I have prepared a leaflet explaining how to use it. Please pick one up in the church foyer or speak with Anna Watkins. Thank you!



Local & Diocesan News & Events

Quiet days at Clare Priory

Saturday <u>17th August</u> – Adam's Shirt and a worshipful city, 9.30am-1pm Tuesday 20th August – The Way of Silence, 10.30 – 3pm

For more information on any of these events, please see the posters on the noticeboard or visit: www.clarepriory.org.uk

Christian Meditation Every Wednesday evening in St John's church from 7-7.45pm. All welcome.

Deanery Mass Braintree is looking forward to hosting our Deanery Mass on Friday <u>26th July</u> at 19:30pm. We would like to invite other partnership parishes to take part.

Virtual Pilgrimage The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will feature on Lourdes TV (<u>www.lourdes-france.org/en/tv-lourdes/</u>) at 22.00 (UK time) on Monday <u>22nd July</u> when we are part of the Marian (Torchlight) procession and at 09.30 (UK time) on Tuesday <u>23rd July</u>, when we celebrate Mass at the Grotto. In addition, each day from <u>22nd - 26th July</u> the BCYS will be offering "Virtual Pilgrimage" clips and highlights from Lourdes. You will find all these on the website <u>www.bcys.net</u>.

Calais Light There are still places left for the car-sharing Refugee action convoy which takes volunteers to Calais to work for the weekend with refugee charities! Come with us! Sign up now at <u>www.calaislight.com</u> or on our Facebook Page. Choose Love!

Essex Recusant Society (Brentwood Diocesan Historical Society): the Annual General Meeting will be held at The Grange, Queens Road, Brentwood CM14 4EY at 2.30 pm on Saturday <u>27th July</u>. This will be followed by a talk on 'Blessed John Beche, the last Abbot of Colchester' by Jennie Guthrie-Stevens of the Colchester Catholic Historical Society. Non-members most welcome.

Welcome to St. Theresa's Catholic Church For all enquiries please speak directly with **Reverend Des Connors** Mobile: **07748464101**, Email: **desconnors@dioceseodbrentwood.org** Parish E-mail: <u>Stansted@dioceseofbrentwood.org</u> Visit us at www.sttheresastansted.org, f St. Theresa of Lisieux Stansted

