# Parish of St. Theresa of Lisieux Stansted

# The Little Flower Messenger

# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16th July 2023

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Mass book (P. 102) - Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

**1st Reading:** *Isaiah 55:10-11 Psalm: Some seed fell into rich soil, and produced its crop.* 

**2nd Reading:** Romans 8:18-23

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the

message of eternal life. Alleluia!

# **Greetings from Fr Clement**

Hello and warm wishes to you all, my New Family at Stansted.

I am taking the opportunity to greet you all and am full of joy and gratitude to be sent to serve you both as brother and pastor.

I was sorry to learn that your outgoing Parish Priest, Fr. Liam, is unwell and I join you in praying for his welfare and look forward to meeting him soon. Clair has already warmly welcomed me to the Parish, and I will be making a couple of trips to drop items at the presbytery by the end of the month.

My first visit to the parish will be on **Tuesday 25th July 2023**. I will be meeting with Fr. Liam so that he can share with me his experiences and knowledge of the Parish and will be taking the opportunity to visit some of the housebound and sick members of the parish with him. I would also value and treasure, very much, any sharing/induction from parishioners. Therefore, if anyone is available, I would be happy to say hello and have a cup of tea/coffee with you all at 4.00 p.m. at the Parish centre and stay until 6.00 p.m.

As I live next to a Porkpie Factory here in Syston, I will be happy to bring some along, even if I am not keen on them myself, so please do send me any orders!

Please rest assured that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Should any of you wish to contact me please send me an email via my Diocesan email address: FrClementOrango@brcdt.org Please remember me in your prayers.

Thank you and see you soon, God willing.



#### **Our Parish**

First Holy Communion Programme 2023/2024: Should you wish your child to be registered for the First Holy Communion programme commencing around September/October 2023, please contact Clair by email or phone no later than Thursday, 31st August 2023. (Late registration may mean your child will be registered for the 2024-2025 programme). Your child will need to be in Year 3 or above from September 1st, 2023. The workshops dates and an administration meeting with the new group and parents will be arranged in due course. Please look out for further details.

**UK AID Ukraine Appeal:** Your preloved / cast- off clothes shoes toys etc etc for the displaced homeless families in war torn Ukraine urgently needed to help fill the lorry departing every month from High Roding near Hatfield Heath organised by UK AID a locally based charity helping the victims of the Russian invasion and constant bombardments For more information please see the display in the church porch or visit <a href="www.uk-aid.org">www.uk-aid.org</a> Brian and Eileen will be available after Masses this weekend (16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>) and 23<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> July to collect your donations. Whatever you can give will be most helpful and greatly welcomed - remember many people only have the clothes they are now wearing!!! You can also contact Brian / Eileen 812109 to arrange collection at other convenient times .

**Visions Group:** We would like to invite anyone who wishes to share and grow their faith to join us every Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. All are welcome. Visit the parish website calendar or contact Isobel for details. Please note that the Visions Group will not be meeting during the month of August.

## Offertory:

Date	Gift Aid	Loose Cash	<b>Standing Orders</b>	Total
09/07/2023	£246.00	£ 245.01	£503.12	£994.13

Thank you very much for your generous financial support for our parish.

If you pay tax and would like any donations you make to our Parish to be Gift Aided, please email Angelo at <a href="mailto:stansted-giftaid@brcdt.org">stansted-giftaid@brcdt.org</a> for details.

#### **Our Diocese**

World Youth Day at home: World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with Pope Francis, taking place in Lisbon this summer. If you can't attend the main event, why not join WYD in London run by the Religious of the Assumption - a day celebration on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023 from 11am-5pm in the church by Leicester Square.

Programme: music • prayer • talks • activities • Mass, bringing together a young community of different nationalities in one faith! Venue: Notre Dame de France, 5 Leicester Place, London WC2H 7BX. Donations only. To register a group or individually, fill in the

form: //bit.ly/wydlondon

BCCS London Marathon 2024: Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has a number of Gold Bond Charity places for runners in the LONDON MARATHON taking place on SUNDAY 21st April 2024. If you are an experienced runner or someone who would value the opportunity to participate in this renowned event please contact Damian Dillon for further details on 07912 308000 / ddillon@bccs.org.uk. The closing date for completed applications is Friday 28th July and



please note that there is a minimum sponsorship requirement of £1800 (excluding Gift Aid). If you have been lucky enough to secure your own running place through the ballot, we would invite you to join us and run for Brentwood Catholic Children's Society. The London Marathon is a unique opportunity to raise much needed funds for the Diocesan Children's Society and perhaps achieve a lifetime ambition at the same time.

**Finance Assistant**: Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (BCCS) is looking for a part time Finance Assistant to join the team working from their head office in Billericay High Street. Initially the role is for 10 hours per week, with potential to increase hours as training continues. A job specification and application form are available on their website at <a href="https://www.bccs.org.uk/who-we-are/work-us/">https://www.bccs.org.uk/who-we-are/work-us/</a>. If you are interested and would like further information, please contact Fiona Reading <a href="mailto:freading@bccs.org.uk">freading@bccs.org.uk</a>

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023:** Join Bishop Alan in Lourdes from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July. We can support those with medical needs. For further information, please 'phone Tangney Tours on 01732 886 666 or book online: <u>Brentwood Lourdes - Lourdes - Tangney Tours</u> (tangney-tours.com)

**Year 13 Retreat at Walsingham House: Made for a purpose.** Will you be in Yr13 in September 2023? Are you currently making decisions about your next steps? Would you like some time to step back, reflect, pray and think about the different pathways ahead of you? Then if so, the Yr13 retreat at Walsingham House is just the opportunity to do that. There will be two retreats on offer, either on 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> Sept or 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. The cost is £35 and there is more information on the website www.bcys.net/events/ or email clairebailey@brcdt.org

**BCYS Youth Gather, 21**st – **22**nd **October:** Youth Gather is back for 2023 and the BCYS are absolutely thrilled to be joined by the fantastic Adenike, semi-finalist on the voice, who many of you will have seen perform and heard from at Flame back in March. Taking place at Essex Outdoors on Mersea Island, there is cabin accommodation and a brilliant range of outward-bound activities, opportunities for climbing high ropes, archery, zip wires and much more to keep you challenged and entertained, plus performances, input and workshops from Adenike and the SVP! All meals are included, plus two Mersea activities, 2 BCYS workshops, accommodation and travel to and from Mersea Island – all of this for just £70! The event is open to those in school year 9 and above, including opportunities for young leaders (age 18 and above) in the Brentwood Diocese. Apply now at <a href="https://www.bcys.net/events/yg23/">www.bcys.net/events/yg23/</a>

Catechist Training and Resources Day, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November: The BCYS will host our Annual Catechist Training and Resources Day once again this November at Sacred Heart of Mary School in Upminster!

With a number of incredible workshops, input, networking and welcoming back the fantastic David Wells as keynote speaker, this is a day not to miss if you are a Confirmation Catechist, First Holy Communion Catechist, Children's Liturgy or Youth leader in the Diocese of Brentwood! Visit www.bcys.net/events/catechistday23/ for details on how to book your place now!

## Our World

**Pope Francis announces new Cardinals:** Pope Francis announced a consistory for the creation of new cardinals from around the world to be held at the Vatican on 30 September 2023.

"Let us pray for the new Cardinals, so that, confirming their adhesion to Christ, the merciful and faithful High Priest, they might help me in my ministry as Bishop of Rome for the good of the entire Holy People faithful to God."

The Consistory falls before the beginning of the Synod on Synodality, set to take place with representatives from all over the world in October.

"I would like to announce that next 30<sup>th</sup> September I will hold a Consistory for the appointment of new Cardinals. Where they come from expresses the universality of the Church, which continues to proclaim the merciful love of God to all people of the earth." "In addition," the Holy Father said, "the insertion of the new Cardinals in the Diocese of Rome, manifests the inseparable bond between the See of Peter and the local Churches spread throughout the world."

The Cardinal-elects hail from around the world. Among them are the Prefects of the Dicasteries for the Doctrine of the Faith, Archbishop Victor Manuel Fernandez; of the Dicastery for Bishops, Archbishop Robert Francis Prevost; of the Dicastery for Oriental Churches, Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti.

The Holy Father also named as Cardinals, Bishop Stephen Chriw Sau-yan of Hong Kong; the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, His Beatitude Pierbattista Pizzaballa; and Apostolic Nunzio to the United States, Archbishop Christophe Pierre.

## **Mass Times and Intentions**

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A					
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Confessions: 5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Mass: 6:00 p.m. Livestreamed	Maureen Fitzpatrick R.I.P. (The Horton Family)			
Sunday 16th July	Mass: <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Livestreamed	People of the Parish			
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A					
Saturday <b>22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	Confessions: <b>5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.</b> Mass: <b>6:00 p.m.</b> <i>Livestreamed</i>	<b>Michaela Eastwell R.I.P.</b> (K&S McDowall)			
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Mass: <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Livestreamed	People of the Parish			
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A					
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Confessions: <b>5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.</b> Mass: <b>6:00 p.m.</b> <i>Livestreamed</i>	<b>David Guild R.I.P.</b> (The Dodd family)			
Sunday 30th July	Mass: <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Livestreamed	People of the Parish			

Thank you to Fr Stewart and Fr David for celebrating Mass with us this weekend.

