

# Parish of St. Theresa of Lisieux Stansted

## *The Little Flower Messenger*

### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

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Mass book (P. 105) -

1st Reading:

2nd Reading:

Gospel Acclamation:

Gospel: **Matthew 13:24-43**

*Wisdom 12:13 Psalm: O Lord, you are good and forgiving.*

*Romans 8:26-27*

*Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!*

#### Greetings from Fr Clement

My first visit to the parish will be this **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.

Please pray for me and for my parishioners in the two Syston and Sibley Parishes who will only know for the first time this Sunday, about my transfer, having been serving and ministering to them since 2015!

I always find any change or transfer emotional and challenging, yet truth be told, I am really looking forward to meeting each one of you, and getting to know more about you and your homes/families.

I will remember you in my daily prayers.

#### Our Parish

**Mass Intentions:** Should you wish to book a Mass Intention please either post your request via the Intentions post box in the entrance of the church, contact Clair or send a request via our Website:

[Mass Intentions – St. Theresa of Lisieux \(sttheresastansted.org\)](http://www.sttheresastansted.org) . Thank you.

**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, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**. (Late registration may mean your child will be registered for the 2024-2025 programme). Your child will need to be in



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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 [www.uk-aid.org](http://www.uk-aid.org) Brian and Eileen will be available after Masses this weekend (22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</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 .

**March for Life UK:** March for Life UK happens in London on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2023. Many are concerned about the restrictions of freedom. Abortion destroys the most fundamental freedom, the freedom to live. It also leaves many women and men deeply hurting. Join us at this family-friendly event to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves. Event starts with a Mass at Westminster Cathedral. Full details at [marchforlife.co.uk](http://marchforlife.co.uk) or contact Anel 0794 374 6522

#### Offertory:

Date	Gift Aid	Loose Cash	Standing Orders	Total
16/07/2023	£95.00	£80.57	£503.12	£678.69

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 [stansted-giftaid@brcdt.org](mailto:stansted-giftaid@brcdt.org) for details.

#### Our Diocese

**The Knights of Saint Columba National Relic Tour 2023:** We are delighted to announce that the Diocese of Brentwood will be graced with the presence of esteemed relics during the Knights of Saint Columba National Relic Tour 2023. From July 30<sup>th</sup> to August 12<sup>th</sup>, we welcome you to witness and venerate the sacred relics of St. Columba of Iona, St. Andrew the Apostle, and St. Margaret of Scotland.

These relics, rich in spiritual significance, offer a unique opportunity for personal reflection and communion with these revered saints. Join us in this profound spiritual journey as we celebrate their enduring legacies. Please see the timetable with dates, times and places the Relics can be viewed throughout the Diocese – thank you.



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Date:	Church:	Time of Arrival:	Timings of Events while Relics are in situation:				Date and Time of Departure:
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> July	St Mary Mother of God, Hornchurch RM12 4TF	3pm	Sunday: 3pm – 5pm Welcoming Service and Veneration	Monday: 9am – 11am Mass and Veneration	Tuesday: 9am -11am Mass and Veneration	Wednesday: 9am – 11am Veneration and Departure Service	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August 11:15am
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	St Anthony of Padua, Forest Gate E7 9QB	12 Noon	Wednesday: 12:30pm – 6pm Welcoming Service and Veneration	Thursday: 8am – 12 Noon Mass and Veneration	Friday: 8am – 12 Noon Mass, Veneration and Departure Service		Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> August 12:15pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	Sacred Heart of Jesus, Southend on Sea SS1 2QB	2:15pm	Friday: 3pm – 5pm Welcoming Service and Veneration	Saturday: 10am – 12 Noon Veneration 4:30pm – 7pm Mass and Veneration	Sunday: 8:30am – 12:30pm Two Masses and Veneration		Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> August 1pm
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	St Margaret of Scotland, Dodinghurst CM15 0QJ	2pm	Sunday: 2:30pm – 4:30pm Veneration				Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> August 5pm
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Cathedral of St Mary and St Helen Brentwood CM15 8AT	5:30pm	Sunday: 6pm – 8pm Welcoming Mass and Veneration	Monday: 7am – 8pm Mass and Veneration	Tuesday: 7am -10:30am Mass, Veneration and Departure Service		Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> August 11am
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Our Lady Immaculate Chelmsford CM2 0RG	12 Noon	Tuesday: 12:30pm – 3pm Welcoming Mass and Veneration	Wednesday: 8:30am – 11:30am Mass and Veneration	Thursday: 8:30am – 10:30am Veneration and Departure Service		Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> August 11am
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> August	St Peters Chapel Bradwell CM0 7PN	12:30pm	Thursday: 1:30pm – 3:30pm Processed from car park to Chapel Service and Veneration				Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> August 4pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> August	St Andrew's Anglican Church Greenstead, Colchester CO4 3XH	5pm	Thursday: 5pm – 7pm Welcoming Service and Veneration	Friday: 11am – 12:30pm Processed from St Andrews to St James the Less and St Helens			Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August 11am
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	St James the Less and St Helen Colchester CO1 2QB	12:45pm	Friday: 1pm – 12 Midnight Welcome Mass and Veneration	Saturday: 12 Midnight – 1:30pm Veneration and Departure Mass			Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2pm  Leaves the Province / 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](https://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](mailto:ddillon@bccs.org.uk). The closing date for completed applications is Friday 28<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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/](http://www.bcys.net/events/) or email [clairebailey@brcdt.org](mailto:clairebailey@brcdt.org)



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**BCYS Youth Gather, 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 [www.bcys.net/events/yg23/](http://www.bcys.net/events/yg23/)

**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/](http://www.bcys.net/events/catechistday23/) for details on how to book your place now!

### Mass Times and Intentions

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A		
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Confessions: 5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Mass: 6:00 p.m. <i>Livestreamed</i>	Michaela Eastwell R.I.P. (K&S McDowall)
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Mass: 10:00 a.m. <i>Livestreamed</i>	People of the Parish
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A		
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Confessions: 5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Mass: 6:00 p.m. <i>Livestreamed</i>	David Guild R.I.P. (The Dodd family)
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Mass: 10:00 a.m. <i>Livestreamed</i>	People of the Parish
TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD – YEAR A		
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	Confessions: 5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Mass: 6:00 p.m. <i>Livestreamed</i>	Private Intention (M. Lynch)
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Mass: 10:00 a.m. <i>Livestreamed</i>	People of the Parish

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



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