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**St Theresa of Lisieux Catholic Parish Stansted**

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**Third Easter Sunday- Weekday Readings Proper Eucharist Prayer II Memorial Acclamation – 1**  
**A Gospel Thought:** *Have you ever found yourself travelling on an opposite direction to your destination. The disciples of Emmaus were so focused on their problems and disappointments that they were walking on the wrong direction – away from the fellowship of Jesus' followers who were gathering in Jerusalem. Change your direction!*

Date	Time	MASS INTENTIONS OFFERED	LITURGY OF THE DAY
April 2024		Livestreamed	Divine Office Week 3
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	For holy Souls – our parishioners, family & friends	3 <sup>rd</sup> Easter Sunday
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am 10.00 am	For John Duggan R.I.P (by Monica Jacobs) Intentions and prayers of the people of the parish	<b>Third Easter Sunday</b> Divine Mercy Sunday-B
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>			Easter Feria
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>			Easter Feria
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	For Jordan family especially Laureen & Reece	Easter Feria
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	For intentions & prayers for Patsy McVey (Joe's sister)	Easter Feria
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	<b>Funeral Mass for Christopher Dean-Bowers R.I. P</b>	<b>Holy Hour</b> Easter Feria
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am 6.00 pm	(No Mass today) For the intentions and prayers for Philip Cartin	Easter Feria <b>4<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday Vigil</b>
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	8.30 am 10.00 am	For the prayers and intentions of Laureen & Reece For Chris Deane-Bowers R.I.P (by B & E Quinn)	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday</b> <b>Year B</b>

**It is lovely to know that the Church is open** and prayers are being said for the people of the parish and for your welfare. One of the ways to do this is to dedicate the Holy Hour of Adoration which starts or ends with Mass. Currently, we are doing this on Fridays at 11.00 am until 12.30 pm when Mass begins. **Because of a Funeral this Friday, Holy Hour is cancelled**

**The Funeral of Rev. Fr. Anthony Dolan:** It was a blessing for me to be a part of a large congregation, both clergy and lay, attending and praying in the requiem Mass last Tuesday for this holy priest in Nottingham Catholic Cathedral. Fr. Tony was a good friend of many years. He visited and stayed with me here last year, on his way to Rome. I was touched by one of the quotations in his funeral booklet which I will share with you.

*"The saddest thing to me, in looking back in my life, has been to recall ..... the preference I have so often shown for what is inferior, tenth-rate, when the first-rate was there for the having. Like a man who goes shopping, and comes back with cardboard shoes when he might have had leather, with dried fruit when he might have had fresh, with processed cheese when he might have had cheddar, with paper flowers when the primroses were out."*

The quotation is from Chronicles of Wasted Time Volume Two, The Infernal Grove, by Malcolm Muggeridge. Please pray for the happy repose of Fr. Tony's soul. As attested by the Gospel of his Funeral Mass (John 13), Fr. Tony lived and believed very much in the washing of the feet of everybody he met in his life regardless of one's creed, race and status in life. I was moved by his witness.

**ACTION STATIONS- a date for your diaries:**

**Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>.** Stansted U3A Singers are holding a concert in our Church Centre, in aid of the cost of the installed new boiler for our Hall. A real bargain at £5, the Tickets will be available after all Masses or ring Suzanne on 07732627382. Isobel Bradshaw who conducts the choir used to be a parishioner here and her husband Mark, played the organ. They moved some distance away and we are very grateful that she is willing to help us.

**Confessions Saturdays at 5.15 pm to 5.45pm**

**The Collection this week was £ 653.90 and Second Collection was £204.50. Thank you very much for your help and support.**

**Gift Aid donation envelopes:** If you are a Gift Aid donor that donates using envelopes, or a Gift Aided Standing Order donor that uses envelopes for the second collections, please collect a new box of envelopes for the coming financial year from the table in the church foyer. If you are not a Gift Aid donor, and you pay tax on your earnings/pension, please consider helping the parish by becoming a Gift Aid donor. This doesn't cost you anything and you are not committed to donating a set amount each week/month. It simply means that if/when you donate to the parish, then we can recover the income tax you have paid to His Majesty's Revenue. for any queries about Gift Aid, email Angelo: [stansted-giftaid@brcdt.org](mailto:stansted-giftaid@brcdt.org) .

**Please note Holy Mass this Wednesday is at 10.00 am**

**Churches together Stansted**

are organising a Hunger Lunch on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April from 12- 2pm in the Free Church Hall. It is to raise money for Christian Aid. Come & enjoy homemade soup & good company all for a good cause.

**Calligraphy Volunteer:**

would any parishioner who can write in Calligraphy contact me, please? Thank you.

**First Confessions**

will be celebrated just after Saturday 9.00 am Mass on 27<sup>th</sup> April. Parents, please encourage children to attend this 9.00 am Mass that is offered for them.

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