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21st **Sunday** (21st Week of Ordinary Time) Year 1 **Eucharist Prayer II** Memorial Acclamation –2

The Fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Kindness, Forbearance, Goodness, Faithfulness, and Self-Control (Gal 5:22-23). Gifts of the Holy Spirit: Wisdom, Understanding, Fortitude, Counsel, Knowledge, Piety and Fear of God.

Date -2025 August	Time	MASS INTENTIONS OFFERED Livestreamed (via YouTube or on our website)	LITURGY OF THE DAY Div. Off. Psalter Week 1
Saturday 23 rd	6.00 pm	For the intentions and prayers for Hazel	21st Sunday Vigil Mass
Sunday 24 th	8.30 am 10.00 am	For Eileen Warnock R.I.P (by Philip Warnock) For the intentions and prayers for Maria Jacson & family	21st Sunday (Year C
Monday 25 th			Feria
Tuesday 26 th			Feria
Wednesday 27 th	12.30 pm	For the Intentions and prayers for Steve & Lynne Jones	St Monica
Thursday 28th	10.00am	For prayers& intentions of the sick in our parish/families	St Augustine
Friday 29 th	7.00 am	(This is an early morning Mass at 7.00 am) Holy Mass for Holy Souls: our dear ones who have died	The Passion of St John the Baptist
Saturday 30 th	9.00 am 6.00 pm	For intentions & prayers of Coryn and the Nixon family For the prayers and intentions of the people of the parish	Our Lady Votive Mass 22nd Sunday Vigil
Sunday 31st	8.30 am 10.00 am	For Bernard Higgins R.I.P (By Philip Warnock)) For the intentions and prayers for David and Pat Ball	22nd Sunday Year C

Confessions Saturdays at 5.15 pm to 5.45pm

Offertory: Thank you very much for your generous support. Cheques are made payable to: Catholic Church Stansted St Theresas. For online donations, our parish Account Number: 41017519, Sort Code: 401322, and account name: Catholic Church Stansted St Theresas.

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Receiving Holy Communion on Christmas Day: I have agreed with Emily (a teenager) to start a specific spiritual preparation toward reception of Holy Communion on Christmas Day for the first time. I would like to welcome more teenagers or baptised adults who may have not had a chance to celebrate their First Holy Communion before. I invite prospective candidates to speak to me after Mass.

Helping the poor in London: Please bring your items to Church and we will take them to the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. The items are Clothes, Shoes and toiletries, **Note:** There are more men than women.

"Important Date for Your

Diary" Following our successful BBQ get together, **on Saturday 27th September 7pm** we will be honouring the Feast of St Theresa with a Celebration of the wonderful unity in our Parish with all our beautifully diverse backgrounds. Please bring and share traditional food with one another. We are also hoping for a variety of live music from all sections of the Community. Please wear National Costumes!

Preparation for Sacraments:

I am inviting everyone, all ages, to see me after Mass if you wish to receive the Holy Sacraments – including First Holy Communion and Sacrament of Confirmation. **PARISH CENSUS 2025** – Everyone who attends Mass here was requested to fill in a census form so that we may have a true picture of the number of parishioners. From the 64 census forms returned so far, I have counted 164 people who may be attending Mass here. Please take the census forms on the table in the Church entrance if you have not taken one to fill in your details. I would like to sincerely thank all those who have returned the forms and indicated various ways they can support the parish.

Memorial Service for Noel Watkins R.I.P this Thursday 28th of August at 3.00 pm. Please pray for Anna Watkins, her son Rafael, and the family who are grieving the sudden death of Noel. As a Church community, let us all turn up to show our solidarity and prayerful support.

- A quote from Carlo Acutis- to be canonised 7th September
 - a) I never fail to keep the most gracious appointment of the day: Recitation of the Holy Rosary. Praying the Rosary is my shortest ladder to heaven. The Rosary takes us to Jesus through Mary to Heaven.
 - b) I love you Jesus, come right in, and make yourself at home in my heart (Carlo would solemnly kneel and say this prayer after receiving holy Communion).

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary: This is an early notice and request to ask for volunteers, three people every weekend, who can lead the Rosary before every Mass, that is, before 6 pm Saturday Vigil Mass, before 8.30 am Sunday morning Mass and before Sunday 10.00 am Mass. Please come 30 minutes before Mass to get ready to say the Rosary in union with the universal Church. Please let me know if you can volunteer.

Infant Baptism: Please pray for baby **Eala Diane Owens** baptised today (23rd of August) here at St Theresa's Church. We welcome her into the Church of Christ as we pray for her welfare and for the intentions of her family. It is always good news as a parish when we celebrate a baptism and welcome new members.

Everyone is warmly welcomed & appreciated here: I

have been so happy to see new parishioners and I thank God for everyone who comes to Mass here. I would like to welcome everyone to our parish especially those who are new or joined us recently. As a parish, we all hope to be friendly and welcoming – so do please come to the Parish Hall after Mass to meet fellow parishioners and share tea/coffee. May everyone feel warmly welcomed, valued and respected in this parish. Here, in the House of the Father, nobody is entitled to judge anyone for to do so is a sin – (**Do not Judge**Matthew 7:1). Here, no one will question you about your personal or professional life. We are all equal and the same before God. As a parish family, we are all united in the Mission of Christ. We support each other and we pray for each other's intentions and salvation. If you are new, please let me know your details/address for pastoral reasons.

Helping the poor in London: Please do bring your items to the Church and we will send them to the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (St Fidelis Friary, Killip Close, Canning Town, E16 1LX. Telephone 0207 4740766). Using the measurements of M, L, XL and XXL: Socks, T-shirts, Jeans, bottom Tracksuits, Sweaters, shoes (only trainers and walking boots), Jackets, Small Toiletries (shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, shaving foam, toothbrushes, razors, Roll-on-deodorant), underwear (this is the only item that must be new). There are 90% men and 10% women. If possible, it would be lovely to help with monetary donation during the season of Lent for food purchases. I am so grateful to everyone for your help

Dear St Anne, mother of Mary and grandmother of Jesus. Pray for our families in every generation. Help our children and grandchildren to grow in faith and to live their lives in loving service to others and in gratitude and praise to God. Be with elderly members of our families who need comfort and courage as they face the problems and pains of old age. Be with parents as they try to do the best for their children in giving an example of faithfulness and true values. We ask your help for members of our family who are sick or in need at this time, and especially for those families who are broken and suffering. St Anne, mother, grandmother, friend, pray for us all. Amen. Hail Mary....

+ A thank you message from The Bethlehem Nativity Group

TBNG. We would love to thank you by allowing our group to come to your church and sell the olive wood religious articles, the result of which was very beneficial and rewarding for our needy Christian families . Which raised £1758.00. Your help is a great support for us, and for our Christian families in the Holy Land. We don't have enough words to thank you and your parishioners, but make sure that you are always in our prayers. If anyone has missed the carvings display, You can place an order online directly from them at www.tbng.co.uk God bless you all Love and blessings from The Bethlehem Nativity Group +

Devotion to the Sacred Heart: Would you like Christ to heal your home, heal your relationships, your marriage, your illnesses and your children? Would you like Christ to help you with family differences and tensions? Would your like Christ to help you financially and holistically? Would you like Christ to Protect you against internal and exterior attacks from the enemy? Christ is All and is in All (Col 3:11). Our Saviour, Christ the Lord, has the answer and the hope we need in every situation of our lives. The Sacred Heart Devotion is a beautiful way to encounter Our Lord. The Sanctuary of the Sacred Heart at Paray-Le-Monial, France, has prepared a 12-steps presentation on the meaning of the Devotion to the Sacred Heart. I recommend this presentation to everyone. Please visit our website to read this presentation: https://www.sttheresastansted.org/sacred-heart-devotion/

Jesus revealed to Saint Margaret Mary the secrets of His Heart and the wonders of His love. This is a grace we can ask for as well. It is the grace received by Saint Margaret Mary, the grace that thousands of pilgrims have received, the grace of the Heart of Jesus: to encounter the personal love of Jesus for me. Jesus affirms that His love is for all humanity, and for each one of us in particular. It is as if Jesus is saying: My Heart remains restless until what I have done for all humanity takes on a personal shape and a particular rooting in your life. At Paray-le-Monial, Jesus tells us that the love He has for all humanity, the salvation He works for all humanity, His presence that He maintains with all humanity.....He wants this to take on a wholly personal reality in each of our lives. Please read the twelve steps on our website – You may choose to read two steps daily and think about them.

A Prayer to St Joseph:

O Blessed Joseph, husband of Mary, be with us this day. You protected and cherished the Virgin; loving the child Jesus as your Son, you rescued Him from the danger of death. Defend the Church, the household of God, purchased by the blood of Christ. Guardian of the Holy Family, be with us in our trials. May your prayers obtain for us the strength to flee from error and wrestle with the powers of corruption so that in life we may grow in holiness and in death rejoice in the crown of Victory. St Joseph, pray for us who have recourse to thee. Amen. Hail Mary...