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St Theresa of Lisieux Catholic Parish Stansted

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2nd Sunday of Lent (Weekday Readings Proper)
Eucharist Prayer II Memorial Acclamation -1

Gospel thought: Do I stop and take time to pray after the example of Jesus? Jesus STOPS in order to show us how to remain in Communion with the Father via prayer. The mountain where Jesus invites us to be with him is **the Mass**.

Date -2025	Time	MASS INTENTIONS OFFERED Livestreamed (via YouTube or on our website)	LITURGY OF THE DAY
March			Div. Off. Psalter Week 2
Saturday 15 th	6.00 pm	For Holy Souls: parishioners, family/relatives & Friends	2 nd Lenten Sunday Vigil
Sunday 16 th	8.30 am 10.00 am	For the prayers and intentions of Mike & Coryn Nixon For prayers and intentions of all people of the parish	2nd Lenten Sunday (St Patrick)
Monday 17 th			St Patrick
Tuesday 18 th	7.30 pm	The offering of the prayers and intentions of Fr. Clement	St Joseph Vigil Mass
Wednesday 19 th	9.00am	For the prayers & intentions of Michael Cartin & family	ST JOSEPH - FEAST
Thursday 20 th	10.00am	For the prayers & intentions of Sam Kingston & Family	Lent Feria
Friday 21 st	11.00 am 12.00 pm	Holy Hour of ADORATION – Everyone is invited For Thomas & Teddy Pereira (Tessa's Offering)	CONFESSIONS Lent Feria
Saturday 22 nd	9.00 am 6.00 pm	All intentions of most holy Trinity via Immaculate Heart For Ken Matthews' Happy Repose R.I.P (Wendy & Zac)	Lent Feria 3rd Lenten Sunday Vigil
Sunday 23 rd	8.30 am 10.00 am	For those struggling or sick in our parish & families For the prayers and intentions of Michael O'Gorman	Third Lenten Sunday - Year C

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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

A new Church Boiler: We have now started a boiler fund and the target is £7000. We all know that the current economic crisis in the world is affecting many people with the cost of living being high. If you can give, your donations for the new boiler will be gratefully received and appreciated. Please use the bank details given here, on the left. Everyone is generous in this parish and I recall how very touched I was by the many donations I received last time, when we installed the new boiler for the Hall.

Encounter meet next Friday 21st March in St Joseph's WCC , Bishop's Stortford. "Our Lenten Journey", led by Alison Jones; with Stations of the Cross from Aberdare. Lenten Lunch from 12noon; donations to CAFOD's Lent Appeal. 10.00 coffee. 10.30 meeting opens. 12 noon Soup lunch. All welcome for all or part of the day. Enquiries: 652060/656482.

We will have Race Night on St Patrick's Day 15th March here at St Theresa's Parish at 7 pm, after Mass. All are invited. Please join us for this parish event.

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 Therasas**. For online donations, our parish Account Number: **41017519**, Sort Code: **401322**, and account name: **Catholic Church Stansted St Therasas**.

Date	Gift Aid	Loose Cash	Standing Order	Total Collection
09/03/25	£123.00	£106.39	£444.00	£675.39

Lourdes Pilgrimage from Friday 18 to Friday 25 July- The average cost is £1100 including Flights. Please google **Tangney Tours** to see the cost or visit their website/link: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-brentwood/departures/>

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Walsingham on 24th May 2025. Bishop Alan will lead this Pilgrimage. Please save the date.

Please take CAFOD Lenten envelopes for your **Lent Giving**. CAFOD has requested us to give at least an equivalent of one meal.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS PRAYERS at the Holy Hour 3.00 pm on every Friday. Everyone is invited. Thanks.

First Holy Communion Lessons now take place on Saturdays at 2.45pm on the following dates:
1) 22/03/2025, **2)** 29/03/2025, **3)** 05/04/25, **4)** 10/05/25. More dates will be announced later. Candidates are meeting for lessons twice each month until Communion Sunday.

Confirmation Lessons on Saturdays at 4.00 pm on the following dates:
1) 22/03/25, **(2)** 05/04/25. More dates to be announced later. Please pray for all our candidates. Thanks.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock: In Holy Week Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 13th April 2025. £849.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Live outdoor Passion Play at Ballintubber Abbey, Quiet Man Museum. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Bishop Alan invites us to go to Walsingham & Lourdes: For the Glory of God and for our Salvation, the Holy Father has inaugurated a Jubilee year for us and invited everyone to be a pilgrim of Hope as we all seek to obtain God's Blessings and Graces. To this end, Bishop Alan will lead the people of our Diocese on pilgrimage to Walsingham on 24th May 2025 and to Lourdes Friday 18 to Friday 25 July- Those with medical needs will be supported. For further information, please phone Tangney Tours on 01732 886 666 or book online: **Brentwood Lourdes Pilgrimage - Tangney Tours** . Please save the dates. Please let me know if you would like to sponsor someone to pay for the flights to Lourdes and for the Coach to Walsingham.

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.

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

Headteacher – St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Romford. Our current Head, Mrs Waterfield, is retiring after 20 years.

The Governors are seeking to appoint a Headteacher to begin in September to continue the excellent work at this caring, friendly and diverse two-form entry primary school. Visits from prospective applicants are warmly encouraged, and can be arranged at a time to suit you. Full Details:

<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/departments/education/vacancies/school-vacancies/>

Life in the Spirit Seminars:

Please save the date for the upcoming Life in the Spirit Seminars which are being held in Brentwood Cathedral Large Hall over 6 Tuesday evenings (29th April - 3rd June). Come along to hear inspiring speakers, be filled with the Holy Spirit and travel through your own 'Holy Door' as we celebrate this Jubilee Year. More details will follow shortly.

Opportunity to become a foundation governor at St

Joseph's School: We are looking to recruit new governors at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. This is a really exciting time to join our school family and make a positive difference to the community. If you would like more information, please contact Ann Cassidy-Jones, headteacher, at admin@stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk

We will have Race Night on St Patrick's Day

15th March here at St Theresa's Parish at 7 pm. We will start with Holy Mass at 6.00 pm and then proceed to the Hall for our parish social event at 7.00 pm. Bar/Drinks & Snacks will be provided and people can give donations for the Boiler Fund. Please get your **Tickets (£2)** after Mass. As a gesture of our parish hospitality, please invite your family and friends to join us. Some of our Irish parishioners have suggested that, if possible, people could consider wearing green on the day in Honour of St Patrick.

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.

Caritas Development Officer. This new role within the Diocese will help develop and strengthen our charitable action and ministry. Working alongside the Director of Caritas, the successful applicant will have excellent digital media, organisation and presentation skills, and a heart for Catholic Social Teaching, helping to share this valuable work in schools and parishes, supporting existing volunteers. £24,000 - £27,000pa depending on experience. Full time, including some evenings and weekends. Closing date 31st March at noon. More information and application details: caritas@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Blessed Carlo Acutis will be Canonised on 27th April 2025. Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo who is in charge of the Canonisation invites me and everyone to discover the life of Carlo Acutis and, if possible, to encourage the Youth to go on pilgrimage to Rome/Assisi where the body of Carlo is laid beneath the altar. To this end, I will carry out a conversation with the Youth, especially the candidates preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, to figure out the possibility of going together on pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome. I think it is a beautiful idea if parents are able to expose their children to different aspects of our Catholic Faith and experiences – in this context, all young people are invited to discover the life of the teenager Carlo Acutis

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....

and what influenced his Faith before he died at the age 15 years. May Blessed Carlo Acutis pray for us and our children/youth.