

RECEPTION OF THE RELICS OF ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX



St Teresa's Church, Filton
Wednesday September 23rd 2:30pm

At the door of the Church

Fr. Tom: We bless you Lord for revealing the mysteries of your Kingdom to mere children. As we welcome these relics of little Thérèse to our church, we give thanks to God who gives us such witnesses to guide us along our pilgrim way.

Litany of Saints

<i>Cantor: Lord have mercy</i>	All: Lord have mercy
<i>Cantor: Christ have mercy</i>	All: Christ have mercy
<i>Cantor: Lord have mercy</i>	All: Lord have mercy
<i>Cantor: Mother of God</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Joseph</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Michael</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Holy Angels</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: John the Baptist</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Peter and Paul</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Andrew</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint John</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Mary Magdalen</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Stephen</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Perpetua</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Felicity</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Benedict</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint George</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint David</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Patrick</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: Saint Margaret</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: St. Thomas More</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: St. John Fisher</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: St. Margaret Clitheroe</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: St. John of the Cross</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: St. Teresa of Avila</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: St. Thérèse of Lisieux</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: All holy women</i>	All: Pray for us
<i>Cantor: All holy men</i>	All: Pray for us

Words of welcome: Fr. Tom

Amazing Grace, Sung by St. Bede's Choir

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (12:27-31;13:1-13)

"My vocation is love" (Thérèse)

Prayers of Intercession

Fr. Tom: Inspired by the life and teaching of little Thérèse, with confidence we approach the throne of God's grace:

Reader 1: "In the heart of the Church, my mother, I will be love."

Reader 2: Lord, help us to love your Church and to follow your way, guided by wise and holy leaders. We pray to the Lord

All: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Reader 1: "I came into Carmel to pray for priests"

Reader 2: Lord, give your ministers confidence to announce your word and let them always celebrate your death and resurrection with joy, in good times and bad. We pray to the Lord

All: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Reader: "I have only sought the truth"

Reader: Lord, may our political leaders cherish true human values and dignity of women and men. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Reader: "I see that only the Lord can fulfil my deepest desires."

Reader: Lord, give to our young the desire to turn towards you and risk total love. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Reader: "The chalice of suffering is full to the brim, but I can only respond having surrendered myself to Love."

Reader: Lord, give us the courage of faith, boldness of hope and the power of love in order to follow you, even to the cross. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Fr. Tom: Let us pray to Our Lady, the "sweetest mother blest" as we say Hail Mary.....

Fr. Tom: God our Father, you have promised you kingdom to those who are willing to become like little children. Help us to follow the way of Saint Thérèse with confidence so that by her prayers we may come to know your eternal glory. Grant this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

My Song for Toady (Based on the Poem by St. Thérèse

(Music and adapted Words by Mike Stanley © CJM Music Ltd 2009)

1.

O how I love thee Jesus, my soul aspires to thee;
And yet for one day only this simple prayer I pray.
Come reign within my heart. Smile tenderly on me,
Today dear lord, today; today dear Lord today.

2.

What care I for tomorrow? Whatever it may bring;
Let not your love forsake me and worries have their way,
But let my heart stay pure enfold me in your wings,
Today dear Lord, today; today dear Lord today.

3.

O sweetest star of Heaven, O Virgin spotless blest;
Shining the light of Jesus, guiding him my way.
O Mother neath thy veil, let my tired spirit rest,
for this brief passing day; for this brief passing day.

4.

Soon shall I fly away, to praise you my desire;
Then shall be mine the joy, that never knows decay.
And then my lips shall sing with heav'ns angelic choirs;
the eternal glad today; the eternal glad today.

*We now take the time to venerate the Relics and to pray
with St. Thérèse for our needs and the needs of our
world.*