P A S C U L M T E

NEWSLETTER

Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great



Second Sunday of Lent

Year C Week 2

THIS WEEK

Sun 13th March 2022

6pm*: Patrick, Josephine,Paddy & Billy Delaney +8.30am: Phyllis O'Grady10.30am: Margaret Dunne +

Eileen Harte +

6pm: Leona & Family (int)

PARISH MISSION WEEK

Mon 14th

10am: William McDonald+

Tue 15th

10am: Phyllis O'Grady+

Wed 16th

10am: Parish Mission and Showcase Weekend

Thu 17th St Patrick

10am: John O'Neil +

Fri 18th

10am: Georges Jordache+

Sat 19th St Joseph

6pm*: Peter and Paul Sheeran+

Sun 20th 3rd Sunday of Lent

8.30am: Peggy & Pat Cosgrove

(Thanksgiving)

10.30am: Janet Nestor (int)

6pm: Pam Wright +

"Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his countenance was changed, and his raiment became dazzling white... And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, 'This is my beloved Son, my Chosen, listen to him!".

This weekend we contemplate the wonderful Gospel of the Transfiguration of Christ. The Lord Jesus Christ not only wants us to see his glory - he wants us to share in His glory. And Jesus shows us the way to the Father's glory: follow me - obey my words - take the path I have chosen for you, and you will receive the blessings of my Father's kingdom - your name will be written in heaven.

Jesus succeeded in his mission because he went to Calvary so that Paradise could be restored to us once again. He embraced the cross to obtain the crown of glory that awaits each one of us, if we will follow in his footsteps.

Origen (185-254 AD), an early church bible scholar and writer, shows us how the transfiguration can change our lives:

"When he is transfigured, his face also shines as the sun that he may be manifested to the children of light who have put off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, and are no longer the children of darkness or night but have become the sons and daughters of day, and walk honestly as in the day. Being manifest, he will shine unto them not simply as the sun, but as demonstrated to be the sun of righteousness."

Over this Lenten Season we are called to 'Stay awake' spiritually and not to miss God's glory. Luke's Gospel account tells us that while Jesus was transfigured, Peter, James, and John were asleep (Luke 9:32)! Upon awakening they discovered Jesus in glory along with Moses and Elijah. It is very easy to miss the glory and action of the Lord because often we are asleep spiritually. Our minds can be filled with distractions, worries about wars, our own well-being and so on. Even more reason to welcome our Parish Mission this weekend and to open our hearts to the Risen Christ our hope.

Fr. John

In thanksgiving for **JANET NESTOR**, we would like to invite you to join us for Mass at 12 noon on Saturday 2nd April, followed by a gathering in the hall. If you would like to contribute to Janet's leaving gift, please post donations through the presbytery door marked "**Gift for Janet**".

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LENT 2022

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

(Led by Fr. John) every Friday after the 10am Mass Please join us.

SPECIAL LENTEN PARISH MISSION:

Monday 14th to 18th March 2022 - Led by the Franciscan Friars of The Renewal. Daytime Sessions plus daily evening Mass at 7.30pm. Timetable is attached to this Newsletter. Please join us in making this a season of spiritual renewal for our Parish.

PARISH SHOWCASE WEEKEND

Come, See and Meet your Parish Groups for an opportunity to engage and volunteer.

Dates: after each Mass on Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th March 2022

CARDINAL'S ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May 2022 at 3pm. All couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2022. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give the Presbytery the following details" husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email) please no later than the 21st March.

COFFEE MORNING "in support of 'Chipping Barnet Seniors Day Centre' on Monday 21st March, 10am -12.30pm. Homemade cakes, gifts and raffle. Admission: 50p @ Open Doors Centre St Albans Road

@ Open Doors Centre, St Albans Road, Barnet, EN54LA

JOHN and PAMELA AINSLIE thank the many parishioners who have sent them good wishes on their forthcoming move to Bristol

NOTICES

WELCOME!

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR PARISH? Please visit the parish website on parish.rcdow.org.uk/barnet where you will find information on the parish, parish groups and much more. Information is also available in the church porch. This , is produced weekly with current news on what is happening in and around the parish - available at the back of the church or on the website under 'news'.

If you would like to register yourself and/or your family, please email the parish office with your details to barnet@rcdow.org.uk

THE PARISH PASTORAL FORUM:

Consists of the parish team and a group of parishioners who are often at Mass at the weekend. Please do stop to say hello or if you have any questions. Their details are in the porch and website

NEED TO TALK? If you would like to speak to Anita pastorally and in confidence, Anita is available on Tuesdays after 10am mass. Please knock on the presbytery door or email anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk

LIFE ASCENDING GROUP: Meeting on Tuesday 15th March after the 10.30 Mission talk. Please join us.

MUSIC 10.30am Mass

Communion

Turn my heart, O God, turn my heart, O God. Take my pain and brokenness; shape my life for you. Come and turn my heart, O God.

SATURDAY RE CLASS:

We welcome children in non-Catholic Primary schools who would like to learn more about their faith. Our sessions are open to new-comers. We meet in the JP Room from 9.30 - 10.45am on **26th March.**

TOGETHER FOR UKRAINE

Collection: New products unopened please. Portable power banks, chargers, mobile phone cables, First aid: bandages, disinfectants, Celox, Over the counter painkillers, children's pain relief. Children: colouring books, crayons, coloured pencils.Babies: Baby bottles, soothers and teats, baby food, milk. Sanitary items: shower gel, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes

The collection boxes are in the church porch.

Contact: Anna Pasciak.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Particular prayers: The people of Ukraine

Please remember in your prayers the Sick and Homebound including:

Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Linda & Stuart Atkinson, Pat Cosgrove, Bernadette Hunt, Roberto Lusignani, Elaine Brennan, Mark O'Brien, Rita Rawlings, Margaret Trehy, Joe Connolly, Mary Harris, Eric Power, Michael Keyes, Eileen Robbins, John Chuter, Marlene Hollocks, Margaret Greaney, Veronica Soosay, Leonor Driscoll, John Thompson, Lucretia Olivier-Hall, David John Hall, Suzanne Greig, Paul Stephens, George Buhaqia, Paul Dempsey

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