



NEWSLETTER



Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A Week 3

THIS WEEK



22nd January 3rd Sunday
10.30am* : Parish Day of Renewal

William Loh+

6.00pm* : Sean Burke+

8.30am: Angela Balchin(ints)

10.30am: Jimmy Falvey+

Ivor Francis (ann+)

6.00pm: Mary Harris+

Mon 23rd

6.00pm: Paul Collins+

Tue 24th St Francis de Sales

9.30am: Morning Prayer

10.00am: Peter McBain+

Wed 25th No Mass

Thurs 26th Ss Timothy & Titus

9.30am: Morning Prayer

10.00am: Antimand Family+

10.30am: Tea & Coffee Morning (JP II Room)

Friday 27th St Angela Merici

9.30am: Morning Prayer (Church)

10.00am: Mary Harris+

2.00pm: Christian Meditation (Church)

6.00pm: Adoration (Church)

Sat 28th St Thomas Aquinas

6.00pm* : Veronica Dyckhoff (ints)

29th 4th Sunday

8.30am: Balanay Family+

10.30am: Maureen Murphy+

6.00pm: Paddy Cahill+

JESUS CHRIST IS CALLING US

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, Jesus saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."...Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

The Lord Jesus Christ takes up John's message of repentance and calls his hearers to believe in the good news he has come to deliver. What is the good news which Jesus brings? It is the good news of peace - the Lord comes to reconcile and restore us to friendship with God. The good news of hope - the Lord comes to dwell with us and to give us a home with him in his heavenly kingdom. The good news of truth - the Lord Jesus sets us free from the lies and deception of Satan and opens our mind to understand the truth and revelation of God's word. The good news of promise - Jesus fulfils the promise of God to reward those who seek him with the treasure of heaven. The good news of immortality - Jesus overcomes sin and death for us in order to raise our lowly bodies to be like his glorious body which will never die again. And the good news of salvation - the Lord Jesus delivers us from every fear, every sin, and every obstacle that would keep us from entering his everlasting kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy.

The Gospel is the power and the wisdom of God - both power to change and transform our lives and wisdom to show us how to live as sons and daughters of our Father in heaven.

Quote from the Early Church Fathers: The true light of revelation to the Gentiles, by Chromatius (died 406 AD) "The Evangelist commemorated in this passage the prophet's words: 'Beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light' (Matthew 4:15-16) In what darkness? Certainly in the profound error of ignorance. What great light did they see? The light concerning which it is written: 'He was the true light that illumines everyone who comes into this world'. That light had arisen according to what David had announced, saying, 'A light has arisen in the darkness to the upright of heart' (Psalm 112:4).

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Jesus is Calling



Saturday RE Classes Spring Term 2023

Classes for children at non-Catholic primary schools are welcome to come and learn about their Catholic Faith.

During the sessions we pray together, we talk, sing songs and make new friends. **Venue:**

The JP II Room

Time: From 9.30am to 10.45am

Dates: Saturday 28th January

Saturday 11th & 25th February

RCIA

Are you thinking about joining the Catholic Church? Would you like to share your faith with those who are considering becoming Catholics?

Next meeting: 24th January 2023

Sessions: 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Where: JP II Room

Every Tuesday

For more information contact:

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Mission Evening

A new intercessory - worship group has recently begun, the next meeting will be Monday 23rd January, from 7.30pm to 9.00pm in the JP II Room.

All very welcome

NOTICES

Westminster Cathedral Choir School



Does your child in Years 2, 3 or 4 have musical potential? Every September WCCS welcomes up to six choristers into Years 4 or 5 on 100% bursaries/scholarship. Westminster Cathedral offers boys the opportunity to sing both here in Central London, and on tour internationally in one of the world's great choirs. Boys also receive an outstanding education at one of London's leading schools up until the end of Year 8. Open morning is on Sunday 5th February 2023 at 10.00am. For more information visit www.choirschool.com

You can also speak to Lucy Auger on 020 77989081

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

WELCOME

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR PARISH? Please visit the parish website on barnetcatholic.org.uk 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

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

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers the Sick and Homebound including:

Steven Hunt, Janine Kelly, Gabriel Dempsey, Sinead Mayes, Monica Thompson, Rosemary Chester, Paul Reed, Marian Darby, Ken Quigley, Mary Geraghty, Edel O'Sullivan, Linda Quilter, Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Pat Cosgrove, Bernadette Hunt, Roberto Lusignani, Elaine Brennan, Mark O'Brien, Rita Rawlings, Joe Connolly, Eric Power, Michael Keyes, Eileen Robbins, John Chuter, Margaret Greaney, Veronica Soosay, John Thompson, Lucretia Olivier-Hall, David John Hall, and Louie

Recently deceased: James Lynch and Suzanne Greig

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