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### 3rd Sunday in Lent (Year C) 20th March 2022

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<i>Tuesday &amp; Friday 10am – 3pm <a href="mailto:carpenterspark@rcdow.org.uk">carpenterspark@rcdow.org.uk</a></i>		
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#### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 19th March	Vigil: 3rd Sunday in Lent	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 20th March	3rd Sunday in Lent	8.30am	For the people of Ukraine
		10.30am	James Seamus McCaffrey & James Martin RIP
Tuesday 22nd March	Lent Feria	7.00pm	Mary Buckley RIP
Wednesday 23rd March	Lent Feria	9.15am	Alastair Burtt
Thursday 24th March	Lent Feria	9.15am	John O'Mahoney RIP
		Noon	Funeral of Alan Ardin RIP
Friday 25th March	The Annunciation of Our Lord	9.15am	Joel Gallagher RIP
Saturday 26th March	Vigil: 4th Sunday in Lent	6.00pm	Lorraine Costello Ints

**CONFESSIONS** Saturday 5.30, or see Fr John.

*Mass intentions: please leave plenty of time if you want a special date*

#### Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon:	When I prove my holiness among you, I will gather you from all the foreign lands and I will pour clean water upon you, and cleanse you from all your impurities, and I will give you a new spirit, says the Lord
Responsorial Psalm:	The Lord is Compassion and love.
Gospel Acclamation:	Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! Repent, says the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Next week's Readings: Joshua 5: 9-12, Psalm 33, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

**“God called to him from the middle of a bush. ‘Moses, Moses!’ he said. Here I am,’ Moses answered”** (Exodus 3:4)

Fr. John writes:

Moses is venerated by all three monotheistic religions which claim Abraham as their common ancestor. For Jews he is the Father of the prophets, the lawgiver of Israel who saw the Lord face to face. For Christians, he is frequently mentioned in the New Testament: Jesus himself says “if you believed Moses you would believe me, for he wrote about me.” For Muslims Moses is considered both a prophet and messenger of the Lord God, and his submission to divine will an example for the good disciple.

Moses' life and leadership of the chosen people prefigures that of Jesus - the new Moses, who leads God's people into a new Covenant, sealed by his death on the cross. Moses was called by the Lord God to lead his people out of captivity in Egypt: Jesus proclaims God's forgiveness and shows us the way to cease to be captives of sin; through his resurrection conquering even death itself.

Moses spent 40 days on Mount Sinai in prayer and fasting where the Lord God is manifested in thunder and lightening, in earthquakes and fire. He is given a vision of angels worshipping God in his heavenly Temple. Moses takes 70 elders of Israel to the mountain to share in this manifestation of the glory of God. “I wish that all of the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his spirit on them.” Moses' wish was to be granted at Pentecost with the descent of the Holy Spirit on the early Christians. In our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus; we share in his nature as priest, prophet and king.

“Moses points beyond himself to that perfect intercessor who is Jesus, the Son of God, who brings about the new and eternal covenant in his blood, shed for the forgiveness of sin and the reconciliation of all God's children.” (Pope Benedict)

Our prayers are asked for Helen Birch and Tom O'Connor for the success of their hospital treatment.



### ALTAR SERVERS

We would love to welcome back our altar servers. Also anyone who would like to train as an altar server. Could a parent please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.  
Many thanks.

There will be a refresher training session (which will also help to prepare for the Holy Week and Easter liturgies) for those with previous altar serving experience on **Saturday 9th April at 4pm** in the church.

A training session for new altar servers will take place after Easter.

This lent, Greg Birch is fighting malnutrition by taking part in the Walk against Hunger challenge. He'll be walking 200km during lent to raise money for CAFOD's work around the world. You can make a donation in support at

<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/walk-against-hunger1343> .



### Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May 2022 at 3pm.

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass 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 parish office the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email) **by Sunday 27th March please**

**Caritas Deaf Service** The Caritas Deaf Service is helping enable the full participation of Deaf people in our communities throughout Lent and Easter, with Signed Stations of the Cross each Friday afternoon at Westminster Cathedral, and all the Holy Week services at Maria Assumpta Chapel in Kensington Square. Find out more at <https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/deaf-service-events.php>

### Emergency Appeal for Ukraine

The Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral and community organisations have united to work with accredited and registered Ukrainian charities to provide medicines, food and critical services to support the most vulnerable to overcome the consequences and trauma of war.

Donations can be made by cheque (payable to AUGB LTD - Central Appeal Fund and sent to Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family of London, Chancery Office, 21-22 Binney Street, London W1K 5BQ), directly to the central appeal fund (AUGB Ltd, Account Number: 80038237, Sortcode: 20-65-89, with reference HelpUkraine) or online:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/helpukraine>

Alternately, donations can also be made to Cafod, who are a member of the Disasters Emergency Committee at <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>



**Lent Retreat for Young Adults (aged 18-30s)** with the Assumption Sisters on **Saturday 2nd April 2022** in Kensington. Young people are invited for a day retreat (10.30am-6.30pm) to prepare for Holy Week and Easter, with talks, workshops, prayer, Stations of the Cross, time for confessions and mass. Venue: Milleret House, 23 Kensington Square W8 5HN. Donations only. Register by emailing: [tramy@assumptionreligious.org](mailto:tramy@assumptionreligious.org)

### Information on hosting Ukrainian refugees who come to the UK

The document in the link below addresses key points, what is needed and how best to respond. Please read CSAN (Caritas Social Action Network) document

<https://www.csan.org.uk/ukraine>



### The Financials....Total offertory for the last month

Envelopes	£1,081.54
Loose Plate	£ 939.35
Standing Orders	£ 1,548.50
Online	£ 20.00

### Last Year's offertory for February

Envelopes	£ 649.77
Loose plate	£ 832.85
Standing Orders	£ 1,009.50
Online	£ 31.25

**Thank you**