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4/5 FEBRUARY 2023 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY YEAR A

Saturday	4th	5.00 pm		Josie Gallagher RIP(Anniv.)
Sunday	5th	9.00 am		People of the Parish
		11.00am		Michael Gallagher RIP
Monday	6th	9.00 am	St. Paul Miki & Co	Tom and Pat RIP
Tuesday	7th	9.30 am	Feria	Holy Souls
Wednesday	8th	9.30 am	Feria	
Friday	9th	9.30 am	Benediction & Mass (St. Scholastica, Virgin)	
6th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A				
Saturday	10th	5.00 pm		
Sunday	11th	9 & 11.00 am		
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30-pm or telephone the presbytery for an appointment				

We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Barbara Bassett, Barbara Alexander and for those who have no one to care for them. We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 58:6-10 To be right in God's sight we must share our blessings with the poor

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 We are saved by the sacrifice of Jesus, and not by our own merits

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-16 Salt of the earth; the light of the world.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- Let your light shine before others.

In today's Gospel he says "let your light shine before others." But how can we reconcile "letting our light shine" with the fact that Jesus spent most of his own life quietly in Nazareth, as the son of the carpenter. What Jesus practised at Nazareth was fidelity to the ordinary, the daily routine, which requires its own kind of courage. What sets him apart was anchoring his whole life in God, to let the Father be the guiding force in his life. In calling his people to conversion, John the Baptist echoed the teaching of Isaiah when he said, "Whoever has two coats must share with whoever has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Jesus, too, chose words from Isaiah about mercy and compassion, as his own manifesto. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

On Saturday February 11th 2023, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, and the 31st World Day of the Sick, Cardinal Vincent will celebrate Mass in the Cathedral at 2.30pm. During this Mass anointing of the sick will be offered.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS

The Caritas web page <https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/colc2022.php>, includes a pdf document (the brochure used at our conference in November) containing a range of organisations which can help people struggling with the cost of living. Their development team remains available to offer advice and direct you to support for any parish projects you wish to develop to help your community at this time. Find their contact details here: <https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/our-development-team.php> . **People who are in debt to**

their energy supplier might be able to get a grant from a charitable trust to help pay it off. More details on this link – plus links to several advice providers <https://fuelpovertyresource.org.uk/focus-on/fuel-debt-and-trust-funds/>

ISABEL VAUGHAN SPRUCE - Arrested for silently praying outside a closed Abortion Centre.

Come and hear her speak at 7pm Monday 13th February 2023 and learn about the Life-Saving Peaceful Prayerful Outreach that is 40 Days for Life, as we prepare for a 40 Days for Life Campaign in Brixton. For more details contact Gabriella on 07745-711064 or The Good Counsel Network on 020-7723-1740. Venue: Parish Hall, Our Lady of the Rosary, 364 Brixton Road, London, SW9 0TH.

VISIT THE REPOSITORY TODAY

The church Repository, in the room to the left of the 'crying room', **will be open after 11.00 am Mass this weekend.** It has been restocked with a range of Sympathy and Mass cards. Lyn Brillus will be on hand to take orders for items such as rosaries, statues, candles etc which can be seen in a catalogue. Please note that payment can only be made with cash.

The Westminster Year Book for 2023 is now available from the back of the Church priced £4.50. Get a copy for yourself.

WARM SPACES PROJECT

St Joseph's Church are providing a warm space in the Meeting Room in the Parish Centre each Monday. It's open from 10.00am – 3.30pm. They are offering hot drinks as well as a soup and sandwich lunch. They still need volunteers to help prepare the refreshments and to chat with the people who come along. There are three volunteer sessions each day. 9.30am – 12 noon; 11.30am – 2.00pm; 1.30pm – 4.00pm. If you are able to help please contact the Parish Office at St Joseph's on 01992 623156 or email walthamcross@rcdow.org.uk.

SHROUD OF TURIN EXHIBITION

Shroud of Turin Exhibition from Monday 6th - Wednesday 22nd March 2023 at the Christian Heritage Centre based at Stonyhurst. Accompanying the display of a replica will be a historical and scientific commentary, looking at both its authenticity and its importance for Christians <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/shroud-of-turin-exhibition/>

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

A new group will start in February running on Saturday mornings, online, 9-12.30pm. Please contact Margaret Hanley, CCRS Co-ordinator, ccrs@rcdow.org.uk for general information, and an application form. Contact Anna, for information about bursary funding. See our catechist testimonies at <https://rcdow.org.uk/evangelisation/resources-forparish-ministry/learn-from-me/>

BROXBOURNE FOOD BANK

Please do not forget that as a Parish we collect items for the local food bank. Please put your donations in the container in the church. Sadly, an increasing number of families rely on our charity to put food on the table.

MARRIAGE CARE

Willing to help couples forge a lifelong loving relationship? Marriage Care is a charity that runs marriage preparation courses for couples marrying in a Catholic church, and is looking for new course facilitators. Training is provided and volunteers will join the local Centre. More information can be found at: <https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/mpcf/>

ST PAUL'S SCHOOL STAY AND PLAY

You are invited to come to St Pauls School (Park Lane, EN7 6LR) with your under five-year-old child for a 'Stay and Play' session every Friday morning from 9.15-10.15. Refreshments included. Fun for your child and a chance for you to meet other pre-school parents.

APPRECIATION

Thank you for your continuous support to the Parish in these challenging times, especially to our stewards and all of you, for your generous giving to the Parish. **I could not have the announced one week off because of change in plans. I will do so later. Thank you to Fr. Tom**

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