

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST CHRISTOPHER CRANFORD

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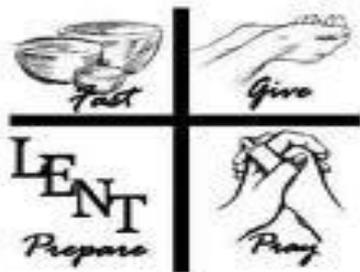
Second Sunday of Lent

12th/13th March 2022

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 1 (Page 156): Genesis 15:5-21, 17-18; Psalm 26;

Philippians 17, 4:1; Luke 9:28-36

Next week: Second Sunday of Lent (Page 160): Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15; Psalm 102; 1 Corinthians 10:1-, 10-12;
Luke 13:1-9



Parish Team

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Monday 2pm-5pm

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Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May 2018, the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocese use. You can read our full privacy policy on www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to offer a Mass intention, please call Florie or visit the office on a Tuesday or Friday 10.30am-11.00am.

ONLINE MASSES

Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral and other parishes are available at www.churchservices.tv

MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses: Saturday Evening 5.00pm (Vigil Mass), 9.00am and 11.00am

Wednesday to Friday: 10am Mass,

Saturday: 12.30pm

No Mass on Monday or Tuesday

Confession: Saturday 4.15pm-4.45pm and on request

Portuguese Mass: 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month – 1pm

Konkani Mass: 4th Sunday of the month - 4.00pm

This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

Dear Friends

An encounter with the Father

This Sunday's Gospel passage about the Transfiguration is a reminder that during this Lenten journey we have the opportunity to encounter God in a very personal and immediate way, not only in the Sacraments, but in our encounters with other people, both in the parish and elsewhere. In each person we meet, we have the opportunity to see the Face of Christ in the other – and they have that opportunity to see Him in us as well.

Spring has really sprung and it's an opportunity to consider spring cleaning, in preparation for the great feast of Easter. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to prepare our hearts for this wonderful time of renewal. It's a time of re-committing myself to this adventure of Christian living with all the guilt and unhappiness over past sins and omissions, washed away by the waters of sacramental grace and encounter with God in a deeply personal and individual way. Do take advantage of this Sacrament; it is such a wonderful opportunity to start over and is there for all of us!

Have a good week and let's pray for each other.

Father John

CHANGES TO MASS THIS WEEK

There will be Mass on Saturday 19th March at 12.30pm in honour of St Joseph

A collection will be taken after Holy Hour and Stations of the Cross on Fridays in aid of the Caritas Ukraine Appeal.

LENT AT ST CHRISTOPHER'S - 2022

WEEKDAY MASS IN LENT

Mass will take place Wednesday to Friday at 10am. Saturday Mass will be on 5th, 19th, and 26th March and 2nd and 9th April at 12.30pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This devotion will take place on the **second and fourth Fridays during Lent at 7.00pm** when we will be joined by our neighbours from Holy Angels & St Dunstan.

Stations of the Cross in Konkani: every Friday at **11.30am**.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration will take place every Friday during Lent after the 10am Mass for one hour.

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available after **Weekday Mass from 10.30-11am** and **Saturday from 4.15-4.45pm** and at call at any reasonable time.

Confessions in Konkani in Lent: every Friday from 18th March at 11.45am.

Please note that there will be no Confessions available during the Triduum so make sure you make your Confession before that.

LENTEN ALMS – The Cardinal's Appeal

This year our Lenten Alms will go towards the Cardinal's Appeal and the next collection will be taken up on **Holy Thursday**. The money raised from the appeal will be shared between parishes and Caritas Westminster - working to restore hope, enable people to live a life of dignity and word. Please take an envelope, available at the back of church, for your donation.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY CAFOD

Family Fast Day is **Friday 11th March**, a day when we eat simply and give generously to support families around the world. You can donate in church using a CAFOD envelope or by visiting the CAFOD website (cafod.org.uk/lent). The collection will be taken up on **12/13 March at the end of all Masses. CAFOD will distribute some of this money to Ukraine.**

PASSION PLAY

There will be a play here in Church on The Passion organised by the Sports & Cultural Society of St Michael & St Martin's Church on **Sunday 20th March at 3.30pm**. This is a free event and all are welcome to attend.

RESOURCES FOR LENT

Walk with Me – daily reflections for use by individuals – price £1.00

Day by Day – daily Mass readings with a reflection – Price £1.00

Please put money in the box on the wall by St Jude's statue marked Repository.

CAFOD'S WALK AGAINST HUNGER LENT

CHALLENGE - There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. This Lent, challenge yourself to walk 200km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Do 5k a day, your way, for 40 days, get sponsored and you'll conquer your 200km target in time for Easter – and help people around the world to live free from hunger. To find out more or take part, go to cafod.org.uk/walk.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Following a recent Audit, it was recommended that we get one or two additional Safeguarding Representatives in addition to Natalie Smith. They would then each have an area of safeguarding to look after. If anyone is interested in this role, please talk Fr John for more details and to get a copy of a person specification.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **George Smith, Rita Oliver, Joyce Madan** and **Mary Moriarty** who died recently.

George Smith RIP – His Requiem will take place here on **24th March at 11am** followed by burial at New Brentford Cemetery, Sutton Lane at 12.30pm

We keep their families and all who mourn them in our prayers.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The Planned Giving Envelopes for 2022-23 will be available to collect the weekend of 26/27 March. Envelopes will be renewed for those parishioners who have been actively giving in the last couple of years. **A simpler way** of giving is to set up a Standing Order and forms are available at the back of Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

If you are planning on getting married either in this country or abroad a minimum of **SIX MONTHS' NOTICE** is required to process the paperwork. Please do not wait until a month or so before your date, especially those getting married abroad, as the necessary permissions will not reach your destination in time. Please call Fr John to make an appointment.

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 your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

LOCAL ACTIVITY

The London Borough of Hounslow invite you to join them for an Outdoor Children's Story Time in Avenue Park Playground for a nature inspired story and song: **Dates: Wednesday 16th, 23rd and 30th March from 12noon-12.30pm**. Meet by the Playground.

There will also be a Group Walk in Avenue Park focussing on a new and exciting nature topic each week. **Dates: Wednesday, March 16th, 23rd and 30th from 12.30pm to 1.30pm**. Meeting Point: outside Our Lady & St Christopher Church. For more information on either event, please contact Sarah Salisbury on 07565 108901 or sarah.salisbury@lgoal.org.uk

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE FORM SIGNING

Please contact Fr John for an appointment for signing of the Certificate of Catholic Practice for Nursery.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

If you wish to donate online please do so directly to our bank, giving your name as a reference.

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