

CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

26 January 2020

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Word of God Sunday



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Sunday Collection: 19 January 2020

The collection last weekend was as follows:

Cash	£ 1,111.14
Planned Giving	£384.00
Total	£1,495.14

NB The Diocese levies our parish at 33% of the weekly collections. Total listed here does not include standing orders.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time)

First Reading: Zeph: 2:3, 3:12-13

Psalms: 145:7-10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Gospel: Matt 5:1-12



http://www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/618-A-The-Presentation-of-the-Lord-2020.pdf

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

Pope Francis has asked that the third Sunday in Ordinary Time each year be observed as a special day devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God. He will begin this Sunday's liturgy with a solemn enthronement of the Lectionary used during all the sessions of the Second Vatican Council. This links with our Diocese's programme The God who Speaks as part of the Church's "The Year of the Word 2020". Scripture is foundational to the life of the Catholic Church and our Diocese is promoting a number of events to encourage renewed encounters with Christ in scripture. Please see the notices at the back of the church. We have ordered 100 copies of St Matthew's Gospel to hand out at Masses in Lent. These have been produced by the Bible Society. Also have a look at redow.org.uk/faith and godwhospeaks.uk for information on events throughout 2020.



BROTHER JOHANNES MAERTENS

Brother Johannes Maertens formerly of the Mother Maria Skobtsova House in Calais is now in London helping teenage refugees. He has set up a new hospitality house—the Giuseppe Conlon House—in Haringey. Bro Johannes came to speak to the Parish Mission and Strategy meeting on 20th January. He spoke very movingly about the plight of teenage refugees from Eritrea and Sudan among other countries. He stressed how important it is for us to view refugees as people with the same need of love and care as the rest of us. Imagine your own 14 year old son/daughter having to flee war/persecution, crossing many countries, terrified, to end up alone on the streets of Northern Europe with no shelter, food or love and care. You would pray that someone like Bro Johannes would help them. Bro Johannes is coming to talk at the masses on 15 March. To learn more about his vital work please have a look online: <https://www.londoncatholicworker.org/gchouse.html>

CALLING ALL YOUNG MUSICIANS!

We are organising another children's music mass for Sunday 22nd March. If you have children who would like to take part please get in touch with Charlotte Ayres at lottywotbot@mac.com providing your child's name, instrument and grade (minimum grade 2 or equivalent). They will need to be able to read music. Also if there are any older children or adults who would like to be involved more regularly we would love to hear from you (especially if you are an Australian post-grad music student whose contact details we have managed to lose - sorry!!).



POST COMMUNION CLASS—CCD

As there are very few children attending the class offered to post-First Holy Communion children on Sunday mornings we are considering stopping it. The catechist, Deepa Abraham, gives up her valuable time to do the class. It is not really worth it if hardly anyone goes. If by half-term the numbers have not increased, we will no longer do the class.

'A JOURNEY WITH JESUS' A TIME OF REFLECTION ON THE WORD FOR CATECHISTS

22ND FEBRUARY 2020 - 10AM - 2PM

Calling all catechists and would-be catechists!

On the threshold of Lent in this Year of the Word, the Diocese is delighted to welcome the Wintershall Education Team to lead this day in which catechists will experience and reflect upon 'Encounters with Jesus' from Wintershall actors, and upon the Stations of the Cross Saturday Sacred Heart High School 212 Hammersmith Rd, W6 7DG (Entrance in Bute Gardens – first left turn from Hammersmith Rd, gates on left towards end of Bute Gardens) £5 per person There will be a 45 min break at 11.45 – so do bring a snack if you wish to. Tea, coffee & biscuits will be provided Please book by email: catadmin@rcdow.org.uk

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ENCOURAGE CATHOLICS TO COME BACK TO MASS?

In 2020 the Diocese is working with Landings, an organisation that helps parishes to run programmes to encourage lapsed Catholics to return to the Church. Would you like to run a group here at St Mary's to reach out Catholics returning to their faith? If so, please book a place on a Landings Taster Day or Training Day contact: Warren Brown at catadmin@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7798 9152.

WEEKEND FOR SEPARATED, DIVORCED OR WIDOWED CATHOLICS **3RD TO 5TH APRIL 2020**

The impact of divorce and separation is often borne alone and impacts on a variety of relationships including within the parish family. The Beginning Experience, which is Ignatian based, has been operating within the diocese for a number of years. It provides a much-needed ministry and place of security within which to address loss, explore issues and address the impact of divorce/separation. The Beginning Experience Weekend will take place at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell, Essex. For details please contact Freda 01322-838415 or Maura 01322-551503 or email johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk.

CAFOD SUPPORTERS' INFORMATION MORNING - SATURDAY 25TH **JANUARY 10AM-12.30PM**

Come and hear how CAFOD is helping communities, thanks to your support. Meeting will take place from 10am – 12.30pm at CAFOD's Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB. Bookings required: 0208 449 6970 or e mail westminster@cafod.org.uk

WISE WORDS FROM ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

"Animals have done us no harm and they have no power of resistance. There is something so very dreadful in tormenting those who have never harmed us, who cannot defend themselves, who are utterly in our power." St John Henry Newman



LAUDATO SI' QUOTES FROM POPE FRANCIS

'Our insistence that each human being is an image of God should not make us overlook the fact that each creature has its own purpose. None is superfluous. The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God.' (84)

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Saturday 18:30 Vigil Mass
Sunday 08:30 Mass
10:00 Family Mass
11:30 Solemn Mass, Mass Intention Derek Williams RIP
18:30 Mass with hymns, Teenage Confirmation Enrolment

Monday 27 Jan 09:00 Mass
Tuesday 28 Jan 09:00 Mass
Wednesday 29 Jan No Mass
Thursday 30 Jan 09:00 Mass
Friday 31 Jan 09:00 Mass

PARISH SAFE-GUARDING REPRESENTATIVE - Deirdre Allen
She can be contacted in confidence at hampsteadsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk.

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism: usually on Saturday by prior arrangement with the Parish Priest

Penance: Saturday 6.00–6.25pm

Marriage: by appointment with the Parish Priest

Visiting of the Sick and Housebound: please arrange with the Parish Priest

Confirmation: annually by participation in Confirmation Programme

Convert Instruction: regular courses run by the Parish Priest

Catholic Teaching For Children Attending Non-Catholic Schools

Our Pastoral Assistant, Mary Stanier, is responsible for the instruction of children who attend non-Catholic schools.

The classes take place every Sunday during term, beginning at 11am in St Dorothy's Convent, 99 Frognal.

Children must be registered beforehand.

Please contact Mary:
marystanier@rcdow.org.uk.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

*Details for some events can be found in the newsletter
or on the display board in the back of the church.*

26 Jan 18:30 Teenage Confirmation Enrollment during Mass
01 Mar 15:00 Rite of Election, Westminster Cathedral
01 Mar Waffle sale for Cafod after morning Masses
08 Mar Fr John Hemer (MHM) to talk at the morning Masses
15 Mar Brother Johannes Maertens to talk at the morning Masses

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