

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We are blessed in our church to have such fine artwork to illustrate the journey of Christ to Calvary. We make special use of these aids to prayer when we pray "the Stations". It is a highly recommended devotion. Why not give it a try – **6.00pm Sunday evening. Very good to make this part of your Lent agenda.**



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CATECHISTS MEETING

The next Catechists meeting is on 17th March in Our Lady's Hall at 8.00pm. At least one member of each group will be able to attend this meeting.

PARISH CEILIDH 21st MARCH

Tickets for this barn dance are still available from Julia Roche (tel: 760295; email: juliaandnigel@gmail.com). The price - £15 a head - covers food and music. Venue: Lourdes Hall; start time: 7.30pm. All profit to go to our water project in Uganda - see details on vestibule board. All invited!

MOTHERS DAY

To all our mothers – best wishes for a very happy day!

ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH

The Ladies Group will be holding the annual St Patrick's Day Lunch in the Undercroft on Tuesday 17th March from noon. Tickets are £10 and will include a welcome drink, traditional Irish lunch and an Irish coffee. Proceeds will go to the Dominican Sisters' Barcelona Settlement in South Africa. **Dates for your diary:** St George's Day Sunday Lunch at Lourdes Hall on 26th April (proceeds to DWG); Strawberry Tea on Sunday afternoon, 28th June in the Parish Garden.



WALK OF WITNESS

This is just to give advance notice that on Good Friday the Churches in Harpenden gather together for a walk of witness through the town ending with prayer together on Church Green. It will begin at 10.30am outside Rothamsted Park. A very popular event!

THE HUSTINGS

Cardinal Vincent Nichols has asked all Catholics to consider carefully their vote in the next election and the issues. On 20th April at 7.30pm in High St. Church, you will have the opportunity to question the candidates for the election. If you have a question you would like answered please write it and give it to Mgr. Turner.

TIME FOR A SECOND

All those in the First Communion Preparation Class made their First Confession last year in December. It is now time for their second Confession and Lent being a particularly appropriate moment. Parents can bring the children any Saturday morning at 10.30am or after the 6.00pm Mass. It would of course be a particularly good example if parents were themselves to celebrate the sacrament.

TAIZE

16th-23rd AUGUST 2015

Join Westminster Youth Ministry's adventure to the heart of France. Young people aged 16-30 from around the world will come together for a week of friendship, helping others, learning about God and much more.

www.dowym.com or email: youth@rcdow.org.uk

WORLD YOUTH DAY KRAKOW 18-31st July 2016

Mission week in Lodz with Chemin Neuf and living with a Polish family, World Youth Day with the largest youth gathering in the world. Only £750. Book your place soon. For more information email: youth@rcdow.org.uk.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

The 12th Annual Theology of the Body lecture, entitled 'Facing Difficulties in Christian Family Life: insights from Theology of the Body' will be given by Dr Peter Khan, Director of Studies of the Liverpool University Higher Education Programme. It will take

place on the 20th March 2015 at 6:45pm, Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street London SW1P 1QN. Please register your interest at family@rcdow.org.uk. Tickets to be sold on the door, will be £10 or £5 concessions (OAP, students/unemployed)

CELEBRATE FAIRTRADE!

Speaker: Dr Mark Hayes (Author of 'Fairtrade is still a Rich Harvest, and St Hilda Reader in Catholic Social Thought in Department of Theology and Religion). Mark is a strong supporter of Fairtrade, with years of supporting small businesses in developing countries. Friday 27th Feb 2015 7pm St John Vianney Parish Centre, 4 Vincent Road, London N15 3QH Nearest tube Turnpike Lane. Buses 41 and 67.

LENTEN QUIET DAY

The Herts Circle of the Newman Association would like to invite you to join them in their Quiet Day, Led by Bishop John Crowley on Saturday 21st March 10am - 4.00pm at the Claret Centre, Buckden St Neots, Cambs PE19 5TA. Tea and coffee provided, please bring own lunch. Cost £8. Contact Maggy Swift Tel 01582 792136 or Email: maggy.swift@btinternet.com

MARRIAGE THANKS

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 23rd May 2015 at 3pm. The Archbishop will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the diocese who are celebrating their 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2015. **Names to Mgr. Turner please.**