

ST BERNADETTE'S RC CHURCH



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Sunday 15th March 2020
Third Sunday of Lent

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6 pm
Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 5.30 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday 10 am
Tuesday – St Patrick's Day 10 am
Wednesday – Saturday 10 am
Friday – Requiem 12.30 pm

Stations of the Cross

Thursday After the 10 am Mass
Friday 7 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10.30 – 11 am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Thursday, after the 10 am Mass and Friday at 7 pm. The evening session will be led by the Knights of St Columba.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

With regret, the decision has been taken to cancel the party on 15th March in view of the advice we are getting concerning Covid-19. The party will be rearranged for a later date: keep your eye on the newsletter!

LENTEN TALKS

The last two talks have been cancelled. Sincere thanks to all who came to our first two talks.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT

Unfortunately we have had to postpone the Quiz Night on the 21st March, in view of the coronavirus situation. We hope to reschedule in the summer. If you have bought tickets, these will still be valid for the revised date. If you would prefer a refund, please contact Jasja on hillingdongac@rcdow.org.uk

REPOSITORY NEWS

St Patrick, Mother's Day and Easter cards all on sale now!

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Since last Monday we have now moved to Stage 2. This means that we need to take even stricter measures in church – from now on:

- Holy Communion will only be distributed on the hand only.
- The Chalice has been suspended.
- No Offertory Procession or Sign of Peace.
- We will not be using hymn books or Mass books to prevent the transfer of infection from hand to hand.
- Please take a newsletter but **DO NOT** put it back in the tray. Please also **DO NOT** leave it in the pews. *Take it home with you and dispose of it there.*
- In view of advice from the Diocese not to serve food and drink at communal gatherings, there will be no coffee mornings until further notice.

Please remember to wash your hands before and after you come to church. Because of lack of supplies, we are unable to offer hand gel at the church – please bring your own supply if you can – and use it regularly!

Deacon Reg and I will be unable to shake hands at the door – please be aware that all these measures are not a cause for anxiety, but to help us contain the virus.

FOODBANK NEWS

We hope to have a foodbank collection the weekend of March 21st all being well. These are difficult times and basics are in short supply. Pastor Vine tells me that the food bank is really suffering so if you could just spare something they would be most grateful. He is always full of praise for our efforts and keeps us all in his prayers. Many thanks,
The Justice and Peace Team

WEEKLY COLLECTION Thank you for your Offering last week of £2,020.54.

PARTICIPATING IN MASS AT HOME

If you can't come to Mass – and please stay at home if you are unwell – you can make an act of Spiritual Communion: *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from your loving presence. Amen.'*

BERNARD TILEY RIP

The Requiem will take place on Friday, 20th March at 12.30 pm. He will be very much missed in the parish. We extend our sympathy to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

MASS ON THE INTERNET

Several of our Diocesan parishes have live streaming of Masses at www.churchservices.tv/ Please see our website (news), or the poster at the back of the church, for details.

CARDINAL'S LENTEN APPEAL

This collection will take place after all Masses this weekend. The Appeal contributes to three mission areas of the Church in our Diocese: Marriage and Family Life, Youth and Evangelisation, and Service in Society. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.
CardinalsLentenAppeal.org.uk

MARY'S DOWRY

The rededication of England to Our Lady continues at Westminster Cathedral this month, where the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will make its final visitation between 19th – 21st March. The Cardinal will celebrate the 12 noon Mass on 29th March, which will include the Act of Entrustment rededicating England to Our Lady. All are welcome.

Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Heslin **Deacon:** Rev. Reg Abrahams
Parish Secretary: Mrs Linda Broadbridge (email: lindab@rcdow.org.uk)
Office Hours: Monday & Friday 9 am – 3.30 pm, Wednesday 10 am – 2 pm.