

Newsletter for the Parishes of:
St Mary, Our Lady of Walsingham, London Colney (LC)
St Anthony of Padua (RA) &
The Good Shepherd, Shenley (SH)



Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th February — 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: **Saturday** 4.30-4.50pm @SH
Sunday 9.30-9.50am @RA & 11.10-11.25am @LC

PARISH NOTICES

MASS
INTENTIONS

Sat 10th Feb
SH @ 5:00pm
Dick Rose
R.I.P.

Sun 11th Feb
RA @ 10:00am
Pro Populo

Sun 11th Feb
LC @ 11:30am
Deceased Friends
& Relatives of the
D'Silva Family
R.I.P.

Mon 12th Feb
No Mass

Tues 13th Feb
No Mass

Weds 14th Feb
SH @ 9.30am
Gratia Saltao
Intention

LC @ 11.00am
Michael De Castro
Intention

RA @ 7.00pm
Pro Populo

Thurs 15th Feb
LC @ 10.00am
Michael & George
Murphy R.I.P.

Fri 16th Feb
No Mass

Ash Wednesday

Mass on Ash Wednesday, 14th February will be celebrated at the following times:

- ◇ 9.30am at Shenley
- ◇ 11.00am at London Colney
- ◇ 7.00pm at Radlett

Stations of The Cross

During Lent we will be holding Stations of The Cross as follows:

Radlett - 10.00am on Fridays.
London Colney - 6.00pm on Fridays
and 10.45am on Sundays

Funeral Mass
Sherva Cooray R.I.P.

The Funeral Mass for Sherva Cooray will take place at 10.00am on Thursday 22nd February at Radlett. Our condolences and prayers are with Sherva's family and loved ones at this time.

Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2024

If you can, please show your support for the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal. All funds raised go towards projects across our Diocese, such as Marriage & Family Life; Youth Ministry, and Education. Funds are also used to support the work of Caritas Westminster, who work with some of the most vulnerable people in our Diocese. His Eminence, Cardinal Nichols, has expressed his gratitude to everyone who supports the Appeal, with whatever they can afford. Thank you for your generosity.

Easter Pilgrimage to Walsingham

"Come and celebrate the joyful Feast of the Annunciation at England's Nazareth with a Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Monday, 8th April. Holy Mass will be at the Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham at 12 noon and we will walk (or go by coach) along the Holy Mile to visit the original site of the Holy House. Cost £23 for adults, free for children. Coach will depart from St Bart's Church, Vesta Ave, St Albans at 8am. To book please contact Rosemary Roscoe 07723 546642 email: rosemaryroscoe@gmail.com"

London Colney Hall
Grand Opening!

On Sunday 10th March we welcome Bishop Paul McAleenan to celebrate 11.30am Mass at London Colney and officially open and bless our brand new Richeldis Hall! All are invited to join us for refreshments after Mass.

Easter Sunday at Radlett

We are very fortunate to welcome back Bishop Paul to Radlett where he will be celebrating the Easter Sunday Mass on 31st March at 10.00am.

LC Hall Fundraising Update

Last Sunday's cake sale at London Colney raised £190.20 towards our new hall. This amount, along with anonymous donations now brings our fundraising total to **£1,414.48**. Thank you for your generosity.

LITURGY

First Reading

Leviticus
13:1-2,44-46

*The unclean man
must live outside
the camp*

Responsorial Psalm

31(32):1-2,5-11

2nd Reading

1 Corinthians
10:31-11:1

*Take me for your
model, as I take
Christ*

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. Ep1:17,18

Gospel

Mark 1:40-45

*The leprosy left
the man at once,
and he was cured*

GOSPEL

Mark 1:40-45

*The leprosy left the man
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cured*

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

Universalis



*Jesus heals the leper
Artist: Anne Lukesh*

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In the Old Testament, leprosy is depicted as punishment for disobedience of God's commands (see Numbers 12:12-15; 2 Kings 5:27; 15:5).

Considered "unclean"—unfit to worship or live with the Israelites, lepers are considered "stillborn," the living dead (see Numbers 12:12). Indeed, the requirements imposed on lepers in today's First Reading—rent garments, shaven head, covered beard—are signs of death, penance, and mourning (see Leviticus 10:6; Ezekiel 24:17).

So there's more to the story in today's Gospel than a miraculous healing.

When Elisha, invoking God's name, healed the leper, Naaman, it proved there was a prophet in Israel (see 2 Kings 5:8). Today's healing reveals Jesus as far more than a great prophet—He is God visiting His people (see Luke 7:16).

Only God can cure leprosy and cleanse from sin (see 2 Kings 5:7), and only God has the power to bring about what He wills (see Isaiah 55:11; Wisdom 12:18).

The Gospel scene has an almost sacramental quality about it. Jesus stretches out His hand—as God, by His outstretched arm, performed mighty deeds to save the Israelites (see Exodus 14:6; Acts 4:30). His ritual sign is accompanied by a divine word ("Be made clean"). And, like God's word in creation ("Let there be"), Jesus' word "does" what He commands (see Psalm 33:9).

The same thing happens when we show ourselves to the priest in the sacrament of penance. On our knees like the leper, we confess our sins to the Lord, as we sing in today's Psalm. And through the outstretched arm and divine word spoken by His priest, the Lord takes away the guilt of our sin.

Like the leper we should rejoice in the Lord and spread the good news of His mercy. We should testify to our healing by living changed lives. As Paul says in today's Epistle, we should do even the littlest things for the glory of God and that others may be saved.

Scott Hahn

Loose plate collection w/e 3/4 February: (includes Conflict in The Holy Land 2nd Collection)

LC: £718.01 SH: £2.60.48 RA: £291.21 + Contactless RA & LC: £88

Thank you for your generosity. You can donate at LC & RA via contactless or visit our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/radlett/donate>



PARISH REMINDERS



COVID 19

PREVENTATIVE PRACTICES

To continue to create a safe environment in our churches:

- ♦ Hand sanitisers will be available at the entrances and exits of the churches, use of which whilst optional, is encouraged.
- ♦ Wearing of face masks in the churches is optional.
- ♦ Ministers of Communion will continue to use hand sanitisers

FOOD BANK

The Churches Together Food Bank is grateful for all donations. We would welcome the following items (soups / big soups, toilet rolls, tinned sweetcorn, peas, carrots, potatoes, jelly / sponge puddings, long life milk, biscuits, flour, sugar)

MASS OFFERINGS

Please use either your own envelope, the mass intentions envelope or telephone the parish office stating if it is "RIP" or "Intentions of". Place in collection basket or send to the Radlett postal address. Please remember to include your contact details.

EMAIL

If you know someone who doesn't receive this newsletter, please encourage them to contact the parish office with their email details in order that we can add them to the distribution list

VOLUNTEERS

We continue to require volunteers to assist with the stewarding, counting and banking cash, arranging flowers, assisting with the foodbank etc. If you can devote some of your free time, please contact the parish office

DONATIONS

Since the pandemic began, the income for our parishes has been severely hit and collections during Sunday Mass have commenced again. Your offerings allow us to run our parishes, pay the heating, lighting, maintenance costs etc. In addition to the Sunday collection, the various additional donation methods are outlined below. ***It would really help the parish if you would make your regular offering via standing order*** as this reduces the need for volunteers to count and bank the monies (time consuming) and employing a carrier to transport the cash to the Bank (expensive)

Standing Orders - you remain in complete control and can cancel / decrease / increase your offering at any time. Please contact the parish office for a standing order form

Gift Aid - By adding Gift Aid (if you are a UK tax payer) to your regular offering, for every £1.00 you donate, the Government gives us 25p at no extra cost to you. Please contact the parish office for a gift aid form

Digital Collection Plates (LC & RA) - similar to paying for your groceries. All you need is your debit / credit card or phone and you can tap and donate whatever amount you wish to. Stewards will be available to assist in case of need and you can also use this facility to make candle donations and for some second collections

Planned Giving Envelopes - whilst we continue to provide this option, please help us to reduce the very expensive parish costs of printing & providing envelopes and employing a carrier to transport the cash by switching to standing order. Please contact the Parish Office, Fr Kevin or the Deacons for a form

Thank you to everyone who has donated and continues to donate to the parish funds. Your support and generosity is never taken for granted and your offerings are truly appreciated