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Mass this Sunday: 8th Sunday In Ordinary Time (C) 3rd March 2019

Today's Readings

Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7 As a tree's fruit bears witness to the care that has been lavished on it, so a person's speech reveals his or her heart and mind.

1 Corinthians 15:54-58 Death will be swallowed up in victory, and none of our labours will be in vain.

Luke 6:39-45 The value of a tree is shown by what it produces, and our speech wells up from what is in our hearts.

Mass this week

Saturday 2nd 6:30pm

Sunday 3rd 9:00am

10:30am

Tuesday 5th 7:30pm

Weekday

Wednesday 6th 9:15am

Ash Wednesday

7:30pm

Thursday 7th 9:15am

Lent Feria

Friday 8th 9:15am

Lent Feria

Intention

For Our Parishioners

Len Gourd (RIP)

Dennis O'Brien (RIP)

Sr Monique-Marie (RIP)

Penitents

Works of Mercy

Candidates for Baptism

Candidates for Confirmation

Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:45pm or by appointment

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for our growth in discipleship during Lent

Last Week's Offertory This amounted to £534.53 about £600 each week in bank standing orders from parishioners. Text Giving If you wish to support the parish by giving £5 via your mobile 'phone, just text PARISH ROYST to 70800.

Centenary If you have not yet received your invitation there are spare invitations at the back of Church.

- **Servers** We need seven servers for the 10:30am Mass on March 24th. Please sign up on the list if you wish to serve and are available for a rehearsal beforehand. We need at least one more adult server and at least two younger servers.
- **Bring and Share Lunch** Thank you to those who have already volunteered to bring finger food. Please see the further details on the important notice at the back of Church
- **Tickets for the Centenary Draw** with its many excellent prizes will be on sale from this weekend
- **There will be a major Church Spring Clean** from 9:45am on Thursday 21st March

- **Furniture Moving!** Help is asked from 10am on Friday 22nd March to help move tables, chairs etc. to maximise seating in the Church.
- **Centenary Committee** Our next meeting will be in the presbytery at 8pm on Tuesday 5th March. **Anyone willing to help is most welcome.**
- **Coin Collection:** The school and church will be jointly fundraising to help with the celebrations of the Church Centenary and the school's 50 years. There is a bucket at the back of church to collect your donations. Thank you

Confirmation Our next group session is at 7pm in the Sacristy on Thursday 7th March.

First Holy Communion Our next Parent's Evening will be on Wednesday 13th March at 7:30pm in the Sacristy. Our next Children's Workshop will be on Saturday 16th March.

RCIA Our next sessions will be at 10 am and 6:30pm on Wednesday 20th March in the Presbytery.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols has returned from Rome where, as President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, he was attending the important four-day Vatican meeting on the Protection of Minors in the Church. In a video available at: https://youtu.be/rzie3_BBM_s he reflects on his experiences and discusses the steps that will be taken.

The House of Prayer meets on Thursday mornings, 10 till 12, at 52 Cherry Drive. New members welcome.

Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony, Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 8th June 2019 at 3pm The Cardinal will be 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 2019. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please contact the Parish Office with the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email). The closing date is 22nd March.

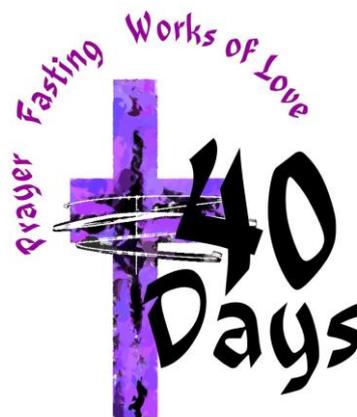
The National Novena to St Joseph will take place from 10th - 18th March at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead and at Herbert House, Freshfield, Liverpool. Each year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their society and the missionary outreach of the Church, as well as for the intentions of all those who support their work. You are invited to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena booklet to enable you to join in from home. Please write to Fr Brian Oswald MHM, St Joseph's Missionary Society, 58 Cookham Rd, Maidenhead, SL6 7HT, or email novenamhm@gmail.com

"Music for a Spring Evening" with Soprano Hannah Long and Pianist & Organist Jason Lambert. Come and enjoy a recital of opera, song and lighter music, including works by Mozart, Puccini, Gounod and Novello and Organ solos by Widor and Mendelssohn. Friday 29 March 7.30pm in church. Tickets £10 including refreshments (£5 children) available from Anita (07882 173865 / anitaclayson@hotmail.co.uk) All proceeds will go to the Church's Centenary Fund.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for March
Evangelization – Christian Communities; That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Cleaning Rota Monday – Tessie Friday – Theresa & Jo

LENT 2019



Ash Wednesday (6th March)
Mass with the imposition of Ashes 9:15am and 7:30pm

Stations of the Cross, every Friday in Lent after the Morning Mass (~ 9:45am). Volunteers willing to lead us in the Stations are invited to sign up on the list at the back of Church.

Lent Lunches We will again host in our Hall, with our ecumenical partners, Simple Lent lunches on the Wednesdays of Lent from 13th March. Monies raised going to CAFOD and Christian Aid

Reconciliation The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at 5:45pm each Saturday or by appointment. There will also be a **Penitential Service** at 7:30pm on Thursday 4th April.

Lenten Alms We have been invited to contribute to the **Cardinal's Lent Appeal**. funds initiatives in parishes, schools and charities in the three mission areas of: *Marriage and Family Life*, enriching and supporting marriages, the essential building block of society and the Church; *Youth and Evangelisation*, supporting young people, the future of the Church, as they grow in their relationship with God and deepen their Catholic faith; and the *Church's Service in Society*, putting our faith into action by serving the poor, the lonely and the marginalised. This year, the Cardinal is asking us to think about the last of these in particular, and he has launched a new programme focusing on the food poverty that affects so many across the Diocese.