



Church of the Most Sacred Heart

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Normal Mass Times:

Saturday

Vigil Mass: 18.00

Sunday

8.30, 10.00, 11.30, 18.00

Monday – Saturday

10.00 and as announced

Exposition of the Blessed

Sacrament:

Mon - Fri: 10.30 – 11.00am

Sat: 10.30 – 12.00noon

Saturday

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

10.30-11.30, 17.15 – 17.30

Collections

Envelopes	£	1428.81
Loose	£	<u>1342.26</u>
Total	£	<u>2771.07</u>

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

This week our suggested intention to focus is victims of the Cyclone in Africa.

Holiday Club

Sacred Heart Holiday Club will be running from **15th - 18th April 2019**. There will be lots of fun things to do such as arts and crafts, games, baking, swimming and trips to *oxygen* and *rock up*. To book a place please contact Siobhan on siobhandenny@rcdow.org.uk. There is a limit of 30 places.

Children's Liturgy Dates

These sessions are for children in Reception (age 4-5) to Year 6. The next dates are:
Sunday 31st Mar
Sunday 14th April.

Parish Priest: Fr. Duncan M. Adamson

Assistant Priest: Fr. Sebastian Joseph

Seminarian: William Johnstone

Parish Administrator: Anne O'Connor

Catechetical Co-ordinator: Jo Marsh

Pastoral Youth Worker: Siobhan Denny

4th Sunday of Lent

Fr. Duncan writes: The fourth Sunday of Lent 'Laetare Sunday' is named from the opening words of the Entrance Antiphon of today's Mass 'Rejoice Jerusalem'. Today, we celebrate in a special way the joy of knowing that we have been reconciled to God through Jesus Christ. We are invited to reflect on the times when we have received and given forgiveness, reminding ourselves that our faith is the source of true happiness. As we give thanks today for all his blessings we ask the Lord that we also may be lights of hope and love to the people we meet in our daily lives. It is also Mothering Sunday. Today we focus our prayer on our mothers. We thank God for all the blessings we have received from our mothers, for the love and example they have shown us. Let us pray, especially today, for all mothers as they strive to bring up their children in today's world, with so many pressures and difficulties. We remember in a special way all mothers who have died and celebrate this day in the company of Mary, Mother of God, Mother of Jesus Christ, Mother of the Church.

Don't forget there is an early morning Mass on Thursdays, at **8am** as well as the **10.00am** Mass each day. On Friday evenings we have Stations of the Cross at **7.30pm** followed by Mass.

Each day we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from **10.30am-11.00am**.

Our Parish Penitential Service will be on **Tuesday 16th April** at **7.30pm**, when we will be joined by several priests.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day – Friday 15th March

Very many thanks for your generosity, a total of **£1857.29** has been collected so far.

We will be sending the money to CAFOD towards the end of Lent, if you wish to return your envelope in the next few weeks please do so in the collection plate. Thank you so much for your continued support and generosity. P.S. Don't forget the Gift Aid Declaration!

CAFOD Emergency Cyclone Idai Appeal

Vital humanitarian aid is needed for the millions of people made homeless in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi caused by Cyclone Idai. Cafod's priority is to reach the most vulnerable with food and clean water, basic shelter and hygiene kits. We will not be having a retiring collection, but next weekend, there will be a box at St Anthony's Statue for any donations people would like to make to support this appeal. Many thanks.

Lenten Alms

Our Lenten Alms this year will go to the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal, which this year has a special focus on food poverty. If you have not done so already, please pick up a Cardinal's Lenten Appeal donation leaflet at the back of the Church for more information. Today we have a retiring collection to support the Cardinal's Appeal. If you wish you can return your envelope in the next few weeks as we will not send the money off until after Easter. Please read and pray for its aims, and if you choose to do so, please give generously. Thank you.

Faithcafé Lenten Mission 2019

The sessions continue using the CaFE Resource DVD "Believe" -reflections on the Nicene Creed. Fellowship with Tea and coffee from **7.15pm**. Session starts at **7.30pm** and finish by **9.15pm**.

The sessions will be in the coffee lounge on the following days. **Monday 1st April,**

Wed 10th April, an additional date **Wed 24th April** and **Wed 8th May.**

Hillingdon Deanery Lenten Retreat

The Compassion of Jesus led by Bishop John Wilson, with Mass, Confession, Adoration and Talks. Held on **Saturday 6th April 9.30-3.30pm**, at Pield Heath House School, Pield Heath Road, UB8 3NW. To book a place, please email uxbridge@rcdow.org.uk or call Angela **01895 233193**.

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri 9.00am-1.00pm

Parish Office Closed on Wednesdays

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Altar Servers for Easter

Will servers please complete the sheet in the sacristy to indicate their availability over Holy Week and Easter. You are asked to list only your availability, if you are away all over Easter you do not need to give any details.

With Deepest Sympathy

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **Mary Doherty** whose Funeral Mass takes place on **Monday 15th April** at **10.00am**, followed by burial at Putney Vale Cemetery.

First Friday Lunch

The next Lunch is **Friday 5th April**. Please put your name down on the list in the porch if you would like to join us.

Knife Crime

On **Saturday 6th April** Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be taking part in a Rally in Trafalgar Square under the heading '*Standing Together*'. The Rally runs from **2.00-4.00pm**. It will focus first on the tragic consequences of knife crime and then it will proclaim the goodness of so many young people and give forth a voice of hope, much needed at this time.

Baptism Congratulations

Congratulations to Freddie Hickman and Grace Loye who were baptized in our Church yesterday.

Food Bank Collection

As in the past, the SVP are holding a collection on every Sunday in Lent for the Hillingdon Food Bank. The food bank greatly appreciates the support of our parish for donations of food and other goods. They urgently need the following food items: long life juice / squash, Uht milk / powdered milk, mash potatoes, jam, rice, noodles, tinned fruit, rice pudding, custard, tinned meat and fish. Many thanks.

Planned Giving Boxes

Thank you to all those who collected the new boxes of envelopes for planned giving last week. They are available again this weekend. They should **NOT** be used until the weekend of **6th / 7th April**. Please check your number (same as last year), and your name as you collect your envelopes and email Anne in the office if there are discrepancies. I wish to thank all those who use either planned giving envelopes or standing orders to make their contribution to the running of our parish. This is a great help to me and the Finance Committee in planning for the future needs of our parish. I know that people are very generous in their offerings, but there may be some who wish to take this opportunity to reflect on what they give to the Church. For what it is worth, the late Cardinal Hume suggested that everyone might consider the equivalent of one hour's income as the basis for deciding how much to give each week. Many still give loose change. As you can imagine the bills for our buildings for repair and maintenance, electricity and heating are enormous and those buildings are here for you. This year, we have spent over £50,000 renewing the flat roof over the Hesdin Hall complex. May I ask everyone to consider how much they are giving to the Church and whether some could not give a little more by:

• **Adding 25p to every £1.00 that you give through Gift Aid. Please sign up to Gift Aid if you do not already do so, or if you are not sure whether you have filled a Gift Aid Form in the past. If you are a tax-payer or make a regular donation, we can claim back the tax, which will add an extra 25p to every £1.00 at no cost to you. It only involves a simple form.**

• If you could make a regular donation through Bankers Order, please complete a form, this will take away the worry of remembering your donation each week.

• Alternatively you may wish to donate through Envelopes at the offertory of the Mass, if so, you can sign up today and pledge a regular amount each week.

Forms are available in the porch, please take the time to complete or take a form home with you and return to the presbytery or in the offertory collection next week. Many thanks.

Mass Intentions for the Week: 30th March – 7th April 2019

Saturday 30 th March	10.00 James Canty, R.I.P. 18.00 Mary & Terry O'Neil Diamond Wedding Anniversary
Sunday 31 st March <i>4th Sunday of Lent</i>	08.30 For you the people 10.00 Marion & Patrick Redmond, R.I.P. 11.30 Lorraine Fagan, R.I.P. (Ann.) 18.00 Josephine Kenny, R.I.P. (<i>months mind Mass</i>)
Monday 1 st April	10.00 Dave Ruddy, R.I.P. Mark Emmanuel, R.I.P.
Tuesday 2 nd April	10.00 Pauline & Joe Kelly Intentions. Mary Fitzgerald Intentions
Wednesday 3 rd April	10.00 Douglas Roberts, R.I.P. Pat Walsh Intentions
Thursday 4 th April	08.00 Patrick Rooney, R.I.P. 10.00 Doris Busby, R.I.P.
Friday 5 th April	10.00 Brendan Cole, R.I.P. (Ann.) 19.30 Stations of the Cross 20.00 Evelyn O'Donnell, R.I.P.
Saturday 6 th April	10.00 Tara Moore Intentions 18.00 Joseph & Mary Corrigan, R.I.P. (Ann.)
Sunday 7 th April <i>5th Sunday of Lent</i>	08.30 Patsy Meegan, R.I.P. (Ann.) 10.00 Hannah Dunne, R.I.P. (<i>folk</i>) 11.30 Jesse Gray, R.I.P. 16.00 Steven Gavigan, R.I.P. (<i>Malayalam Mass</i>) 18.00 For you the people

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Harry Butler, Lily Fehin, Carmel Galanty, Doreen Jones, Rose Pick, Pat Walsh, Marjorie Shaw, Caroline Titley, Claire Wilson, Edna Winwright, Mary Worley, Bernadette Campbell, Danny Sheppard, Susan Acton, Lisa O'Sullivan, Bernadeta Herrera, Fiona O'Leary, Nora Bond, Lottie Lea, Livia Emmanuel, Pauline Walsh, Simon Mott, Paula Byrne, Claire Wilmshurst, Roy Haverson, Mary Walsh and Flo D'Cruz.

AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME:

Lorraine Fagan, Brendan Cole, Veronica Connelly, Teresa Skinner and Tony Doherty.

**God Bless
Fr. Duncan**