

# 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 £ 1449.00 Loose £ 978.44 Total £ 2427.44

# **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

This week our suggested intention to focus is those suffering from the floods.

#### **Good Hygiene**

Can we please ask anyone with cold or flu symptoms to refrain from taking communion from the Chalice and receive the host on the hand only.

#### With Deepest Sympathy

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Olimpia Gorman whose Funeral Mass takes place on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 12noon followed by followed by Committal at Breakspear Crematorium. May she rest in peace.

#### **Children's Liturgy Dates**

The next dates are: **15**<sup>th</sup>, **22**<sup>nd</sup> & **29**<sup>th</sup> **March.** 

Parish Priest: **Fr. Duncan M. Adamson** Assistant Priest: **Fr. Sebastian Joseph** 

Seminarian: Francis Thomas

Parish Administrator: Anne O'Connor Catechetical Co-ordinator: Jo Marsh Pastoral Youth Worker: Siobhan Denny Parish Office Hours:Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri 9.00am-1.00pm

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## 1st Sunday of Lent

**Fr. Duncan writes:** What a wonderful start to the Lenten Season this year. It was very encouraging to see great numbers of people at all our Masses on Ash Wednesday and this has continued during the last few days. I was in our school on Ash Wednesday to celebrate four liturgies with the children as they began their Lenten Journey. Francis was at Douay Martyrs School on Ash Wednesday and celebrated six liturgies with the students there. Lent is a forty-day journey. Let us ask God to be with us and help us as we try to keep our Lenten Promises and devotions throughout this period. We travel with Christ to Jerusalem to be with him in his suffering and death in order to be with him in his resurrection and glory.

During our Lenten journey we will take on different exercises to help us. Yes, we have chosen to give up something, to fast, but what else can we take on as an extra spiritual exercise, something positive this Lent. There is an early morning Mass on Thursdays, at *8am* as well as the *10.00am* Mass each day. On Friday evenings there is Stations of the Cross at *7.30pm* followed by Mass. Don't forget each day we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from *10.30am-11.00am*. There is also the **Word for Lent sessions** each *Monday* at *2pm* and *Wednesday* at *7pm* in the coffee lounge.

Let us do what we can to make this a truly fruitful Lent.

#### Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2020

The Cardinal's Lenten 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. There will be a retiring collection on *March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>* for the Cardinal's Appeal. There is also a box by the second Station for Lenten Alms donations. During Lent we will also be supporting the Hillingdon Food bank to help those less well off than ourselves in our area.

#### **First Holy Communion Family Mass**

This **Sunday 1**<sup>st</sup> **March**, we welcome our First Holy Communion Families to the **10am** Mass. The children will each receive a child's missal to help them in their preparation.

#### **First Holy Communion Parents' Catechesis Session**

The next catechesis session for parents takes place on *Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 8pm-9pm* in Hesdin Hall.

#### **Confirmation Preparation & Retreat**

The next session for **ALL** groups takes place on *Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March* in Hesdin Hall *7:15pm - 8:45pm*. You will also have received an email this week regarding the upcoming retreat on *22<sup>nd</sup> March* - please contact Jo if you haven't received this message.

#### **RCIA: Rite of Election**

This Saturday and Sunday, we celebrate the Rite of Election in the Cathedral when those who are preparing to be baptised and received into the Church at Easter are formally affirmed by our Archbishop as members of the Elect. Please keep them all, especially those from our parish, in your prayers.

#### **CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day on Friday 6 March**

CAFOD has been standing alongside poor communities working with them to end poverty and injustice across the world. Lent Fast Day is on *Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March* when you could consider giving up a meal? Please collect your CAFOD Fast Day envelope from church this week, fast this Friday and give as much as you can in next week's collection. Thank you so much for your continued support and generosity.

#### Jubilee Social Club Outing -

The Jubilee Social Club have tickets for Tina - The Musical on **Thursday 19**<sup>th</sup> **November** in the West End, this is open to all parishioners. Tickets are £55 each for front stalls and include transport to and from the Church. If you are interested in coming please sign the sheet on the table in the foyer or speak to Ann-Maria 01895 634545.

Unfortunately, this trip will have to be cancelled unless all tickets are sold by Monday. A £40 deposit is needed to confirm booking.

#### St Patrick's Ceilidh Night Saturday 21st March 7pm

Tickets at £12.50 pp or £125 for a table of 10 are now on sale for this popular event.

Please contact -

Harriet Plumb 07956366198;

Emma Marshall 07780

**852369** or Jenny Jean-Jacques *07930 494365* to

book your tickets. Dancing to Fiddlestix Ceilidh Band. Doors open at 7pm. Light supper included in

ticket price & Licensed Bar.

#### **ADULTS ONLY EVENT.**

This Jubilee Trust fundraising event will support the Michael Sobel House reopening; the CAAS Centre Eastcote and Hillingdon Stroke Association.

#### **Knights of St. Colomba**

The next meeting takes place on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** at **7.45pm** in the coffee lounge. Ring Rozario 07903258875 for more information.

#### **Baptism Congratulations**

Congratulations to Sadie O'Toole who was baptized in our Church yesterday

#### **First Friday Lunch**

The next Lunch is **Friday 13**<sup>th</sup> *March*. Why not join us in the Coffee Lounge at 12.30pm for a home-cooked lunch (£6.00) with all proceeds going to charities of our Church's Trust.

#### **World Day of Prayer**

The International World Day of Prayer this year will take place on *Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March* at The Sacred Heart Church beginning at 2pm. The theme is 'Rise! Take up your mat and walk!' and has been prepared by the Christian women of Zimbabwe. Refreshments will be served after the service. Everyone is most welcome. We would be very grateful to receive any cakes or biscuits to help with the refreshments. Please ring Grace on 07981110001 if you can help.

#### Act of Dedication to Mary

On the Sunday following the Feast of the Annunciation this year, 29th March, we are being invited to join an Act of Re-dedication to Mary. We will do this at **4.00pm** in our church by coming together to support each other with our prayer. This gift of the personal faith of the people of our parish will unite us to the country as we seek once again the prayers and protection of the Mother God. In order to prepare for the Re-dedication, the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham from the Slipper Chapel has been visiting every Catholic Cathedral in the country. The Slipper Chapel statue will visit Westminster Cathedral from  $19^{th}$ - $22^{nd}$  March. I have put a copy of the programme of the visit on the board in the porch.

#### **Food Bank Collection**

As in the past, the SVP are holding a collection on Sunday in Lent for the Hillingdon Food Bank, starting next weekend  $7^{th}/8^{th}$  March. 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, tinned fruit, tinned meat and fish. Many thanks

# Mass Intentions for the Week, 20th Echryary - 9th March 2020

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Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00 Muriel & Herbert Higgs, R.I.P.(Ann.) 18.00 Lily Smith, R.I.P.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> March  1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent	08.30 Bernard Storkey, R.I.P. 10.00 Hilarie Lemon, R.I.P. (folk) 11.30 Tom & Elizabeth Gilroy, R.I.P. (Ann.) 16.00 For you the people (Malayalam Mass) 18.00 Doreen Holloway & Mick Connors, R.I.P.
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	10.00 George Warr, R.I.P. (Ann.) Nick Marshall, R.I.P.
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	10.00 Annette Baptista, R.I.P. Gerard O'Gorman, R.I.P.(Ann.)
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March <i>St. Casimir</i>	10.00 Jan Clyzewski, R.I.P. Michael Holmes Intentions 12.00 Funeral Mass: Olimpia Gorman
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	08.00 Sheila & Kenneth Burgess, R.I.P. 10.00 Tom & Mary Allen, Archie & Sheila O'Brien, R.I.P.
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March <i>World Day of Prayer</i> <i>Family Fast Day</i>	10.00 Delfina Emmanuel Intentions 14.00 World Day of Prayer 19.30 Stations of the Cross

20.00 Theresa McElligott, R.I.P.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 10.00 Special Intentions

18.00 Peggy Shea, R.I.P.(Ann.)

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 08.30 For you the people

10.00 Kurt Bachtler & Franz Berger, R.I.P. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

> 11.30 Marie Tesson, R.I.P. (Ann.) 18.00 Teresa Quinn, R.I.P.(Ann.)

(Please note the Rosary is recited every week day morning in the Church at 9.30am)

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Harry Butler, Lily Fehin, Carmel Galanty, Doreen Jones, Rose Pick, Marjorie Shaw, Caroline Titley, Claire Wilson, Edna Winwright, Mary Worley, Bernadette Campbell, Danny Sheppard, Susan Acton, Bernadeta Herrera, Fiona O'Leary, Nora Bond, Livia Emmanuel, Pauline Walsh, Simon Mott, Claire Wilmshurst, Mary Walsh, Edward Vivier, Carmel Keane, Janet Smith, Sheila Morrison, Pat Butler, Andrew Wilson, Barbara Steadman, Christine Andrews, Wendy Davies and Kevin Horner.

#### AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME:

Muriel Higgs, Tom & Elizabeth Gilroy, George Warr, Gerard O'Gorman and John McAllister.

God Bless, Fr. Duncan