

This week's Lamp dedications are for:
 Sanctuary Lamps - Maureen Furlong (RIP)
 Our Lady's Chapel - Anna & Jimmy Sheridan (Intentions)

Mass Intentions for 13th March to 20th March 2022

13th March 2022	5.30 pm (Sat)	Donal O'Sullivan (RIP)
2nd Sunday of Lent Year C	10.00 am	Michael Reid (RIP)
	12 noon	Stella Slevin (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Maureen Lydon (RIP)
Monday 14th March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00	John McMahon (RIP)
	1.00 pm	Stations of the Cross
	6.00 pm	Rosary
Tuesday 15th March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Bridget Corrigan (Intentions)
	6.00 pm	Rosary
Wednesday 16th March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Steve Howley (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Rosary
Thursday 17th March St. Patrick	10.00 am	People of the Parish
Friday 18th March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Sylvia Bryant (RIP)
	7.00 pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday 19th March St. Joseph	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Owen O'Sullivan
	10.30-11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	12.30 pm	Liam Cluskey
Sunday 20th March 3rd Sunday of Lent Year C	5.30 pm (Sat)	Teresa Barrett (RIP)
	10.00 am	Seamus Cooney (RIP)
	12 noon	Stella Slevin (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Edward Murphy (RIP)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
 Saturday 10.30-11.30am & 4.30pm-5.15pm

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In the Transfiguration, Christ is approached by Moses, Elijah, and his heavenly Father. A beautiful parallel can be drawn between this episode and the temptations that Christ suffered in the wilderness. In order to draw the parallel with this Sunday's gospel, I would like to remind you of how Jesus was tempted. In the first temptation Satan is not only tempting Christ's lack of food and immediate feeling of hunger: it is a temptation for Christ to look for life and security on anything else besides or instead of God. This fear of lacking anything can drive anyone to sacrifice so many beautiful things in life in order to secure one's life in forms of work, career, money, wealth...In the transfiguration we see Moses, who, in the face of the rebellion of the people of Israel in the desert for the lack of bread (the incapacity of the people to trust that God would look after them) was the instrument used by God to feed his people with bread from heaven: man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. The Devil then tempts Christ into idolatry: too look for fulfilment in something or someone else other than God. It is easy to say with that only God is God; yet it is also very easy to fall into the worship of the idols of this world: money, sex, career, status, appearance, alcohol, drugs, even ourselves. In the transfiguration we see the prophet Elijah, who in the face of the idolatry of the people of Israel challenges them saying: "until when will you go on limping between two different opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him, but if the Idols, then follow them!" You must worship the Lord your God and serve him alone." Christ was then taken to the top of the Temple, being tempted by the Devil to throw himself down so the angels could catch him and so make a spectacle of himself; everyone would see and believe in him. This is a temptation for Christ to rebel against his history, against the fact that, in the eyes of the people, he is just a carpenter's son, a nobody. It is a temptation to rebel against the history that God does with each one of us, not accepting the fact that we are poor, or do not have the job that we want, that we are not married, that our spouse or children are not in the way we want them. This rebellion is the one that make us, as it made the people of Israel in the desert, put to God the test, to force him to change things, to do our will. In the transfiguration we hear the voice of the Father, making explicit to all that this Jesus is not just anybody: he is His Son, "the Beloved! Listen to Him." The history that God is doing with Christ, and with us, is beautiful; one of love. Only in Him we can discover who we truly are, a beloved child: 'You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May 2022 at 3pm. The Cardinal is 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 2022. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please contact Gillian in 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).

Parish Registration

If you have recently joined the parish, or not completed a Registration Card in the last two years, please do so and return it to the presbytery. These cards are available in the porch or from the Parish Office. Our records are referred to for applications for sacramental preparation and school application forms.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:-

Tony Johnson, Liam Warren, Micah McKennon, Mary Temple, Nicola Teune, Michael Clough, Bridget Finch, Angie Webster, Mary Wallace, Kevin Ryan, Theresa Brent, Anne-Marie Henry, Barbara Hayes, Breda O'Sullivan, Nora Demello, Ron Crann, John McEvoy, Donna White, Peggy McNicholas, Gillian Burke, Alan Downes, John Higgins, Maxi Giambrone, David Cullen, Mary & Eugene O'Regan, Nollaig Donegan, Kamini Mahida, Salvatore Giambrone, Geoffrey Musgrave, Francis Thone, Gary Sheppard, John McCarthy, John Keane, George Alden, baby Wilf, Joseph Jackson, Kitty Kiely, Isabella Czerniajew, Anna Gill, John Riordan, Bernie Killeen, Maria Venniri, Doreen Sullivan.

(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME, WE ALSO REMEMBER AT THIS TIME:-

Maureen Furlong, Donal O'Sullivan, Michael Reid, Stella Slevin, Maureen Lydon, John McMahan, Steve Howley, Sylvia Bryant, Owen O'Sullivan.

Red Sanctuary Lamps / Blue Lamp by Our Lady

If you would like to have these dedicated for a week to the memory of a loved one, or for someone's intentions please contact Gillian in the parish office. There is a suggested donation of £10 for the Red Sanctuary lamps and £5 for Our Lady, the names will appear on the newsletter for the specific week.

COLLECTIONS 06/03/2022

Standing Orders £1160.00

Envelopes £ 237.50

Loose Plate £ 649.92

Weddings

Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

SVP News (St Vincent de Paul Society)

Planning is well underway for the SVP's St Patrick's Day Bingo Evening, to be held in the church hall on Saturday, 19th March. Doors open at 6.30pm, with eyes down at 7pm. Bingo will be the centre of attention, but we will have light snacks on the table, an SVP raffle with some great prizes and refreshments available from the bar. While this will raise some funds for the SVP, the main aim is to welcome everyone back to socialising in the parish. We are really looking forward to the evening and we hope you can join us. You never know, with the luck of the Irish, you might just win the jackpot! As always, if you come across anyone who needs help, please do not hesitate to contact your SVP Team and we will do our best to help: 07563 775 777, info@svpsouthruislip.org.uk, or www.svpsouthruislip.org.uk.

Items the SVP would like for the Foodbank this week

Tea/Coffee	Baked beans	Tuna/Sardines
Biscuits/chocolates	Pasta sauce	Long-life milk (green)
Rice/Noodles	Nappies (sizes 3-6)	Tinned tomatoes, corn or carrots
Juice/squash	Crisps	Cooking oil
Sugar	Rice pudding/custard	Cereal/Porridge
Toilet roll	Laundry powder	

Cafod & Cardinal's Lenten Appeal

Both these collections will remain open for the whole of lent. If you would like to make a donation please either collect an envelope from the porch or, pop your donation in an envelope marked either "Cafod" or "Cardinal's Appeal".

Ukraine Appeal

If you would like to make a donation to this appeal, you can either scan the QR code at the back of the church or pop your donation in an envelope marked "Ukraine Appeal" and we will forward all donations on to the Ukrainian Church in London. Please make cheques payable to AUGB LTD-Central Appeal Fund.

Hillingdon Deanery Lenten Retreat - Forgiveness

Led by Margaret & Barry Mizen, Saturday 19th March 9.30am - 3.30pm. Pield Heath House, Pield Heath Road, UB8 3NW. To book a place, please email uxbridge@rcdow.org.uk or call Angela on 01895 233193.

Ways to live Lent together

Mondays	Stations of the Cross 1pm (starting 14th March)
Wednesdays	Bible Study Group in the hall 7.30pm
Fridays	Film Afternoon in the hall 1.30pm
Fridays	Stations of the Cross 7pm