

This week's Lamp dedications are for:
Sanctuary Lamps - People of the Parish
Our Lady's Chapel - Ellie Mangan (RIP)



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St. Francis De Sales offers a most helpful way of meditating which touches every aspect of our life and where we are in relation to God, ourselves and others, as well as in relation to the world, sin and death. **The First Meditation** is about Creation, and St. Francis asks to look at our own birth and consider *where we come from*: hopefully we will be able to discover God as a creator and a Father who brings us into being. **The Second Meditation** is about our Purpose in Life: God did not need us, and yet He created us in order to love us and for us to discover how good He wants to be towards us. He gave us a memory to remember Him and a tongue to praise Him. Have we done so? May we discover how much of our lives we can spend on more trifling matters and yet never discover the real good and happiness that is God Himself. **The Third Meditation** is about God's Blessings: God has blessed us with a body and a capacity for good: He has given us graces and gifts: what have we done with them? Have we used them properly for my good and the good of others? With any luck we will discover God's goodness and mercy towards us, but also a sense of responsibility towards His goodness and gifts to us. **The Fourth Meditation** is on Sin: This is a difficult one, for it calls us to make a good examination of conscience, remembering all our faults, the times we turned our backs to God, our unfaithfulness, wounds, fantasies and words, spoken or not. As we think of it, we should let it hurt us. But then remember God's mercy and grace towards us and how, as the Good Father in the story of the Prodigal Son, God is always waiting, full of love and mercy, for us to go back to Him and how He offers us the means to do it, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **The Fifth Meditation** is about Death: This time will come to all of us; the problem is that we do not know when or how. Will we be ready? Which path will our soul take? The same path we chose in life. Will it be a path of life or a path of death? These are the two choices that God puts before us every day. There is nothing in between. The aim of this meditation is not to make us sad or miserable, but to open our eyes to realities that wait each one of us, but to which many times we are blind. It will help us to see that life is too short for us to waste on resentment, anger, fights, arguments and not allowing God to heal all this and bringing back communion and peace.

May God help us in Lent to bring us closer to Him and experience mercy and healing.

Mass Intentions for 20th March to 27th March 2022

20th March 2022	5.30 pm (Sat)	Teresa Barrett (RIP)
3rd Sunday of Lent Year C	10.00 am	Seamus Cooney (RIP)
	12 noon	Stella Slevin (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Edward Murphy (RIP)
Monday 21st March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00	Bridie O'Malley (RIP)
	1.00 pm	Stations of the Cross
	6.00 pm	Rosary
Tuesday 22nd March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Stella Slevin (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Rosary
Wednesday 23rd March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Hugh Ward (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Rosary
Thursday 24th March	NO MASS HERE TODAY The Church will remain closed.	
Friday 25th March The Annunciation of The Lord	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Stella Slevin (RIP)
	7.30 pm	People of the Parish
Saturday 26th March	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Doris Storey
	10.30-11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday 27th March 4th Sunday of Lent Year C	5.30 pm (Sat)	Sean & Lee Keane (RIP)
	10.00 am	Mandy & Alan Downes (Intentions)
	12 noon	Delroy Anderson (RIP)
	6.00 pm	Joe O'Donnell (RIP)

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

All our Services are live streamed at
<https://www.churchservices.tv/southruislip>

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 Czerni-ajew, Anna Gill, Bernie Killeen, Maria Venniri, Doreen Sullivan, Michael O'Connell.
(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:-

Ellie Mangan, Teresa Barrett, Seamus Cooney, Stella Slevin, Edward Murphy, Bridie O'Malley, Hugh Ward, Doris Storey.

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 13/03/2022

Standing Orders £1160.00

Envelopes £ 237.50

Loose Plate £ 329.84

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)

Happy belated St Patrick's Day! I hope you had a great one and was able to join our St Patrick's bingo on Saturday evening. We at the SVP are excited to host the first social evening of the parish since we locked down due to Covid. If you did not manage to join us this time, not to worry, we will have more events later in the year. Funds raised from the bingo evening will help to fund activities undertaken by the SVP -- the food bank, our bereavement care group, support for the homeless and visiting residents of care homes, refugees, the sick, housebound and lonely. 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

Pasta	Curry & pasta sauces	Long-life milk (green)
Chocolates/sweets	Tuna/sardines	Corned beef/ham
Chickpeas	Baked beans	Tinned vegetables
Tea/Coffee	Biscuits / Crisps	Men's and women's toiletries
Rice/Noodles	Nappies (sizes 3-6)	Jam
Cooking oil	Rice pudding/custard	Cereal/Porridge

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.

"Lilies of Remembrance"

Please take a slip of paper and **PRINT** clearly the names of loved ones to be remembered. Please also consider taking an envelope for your donation to help with the cost of the lilies. All the masses on Easter Sunday will be offered for all our loved ones. Please return slips to the Presbytery as soon as possible.

Ways to live Lent together

Mondays	Stations of the Cross 1pm
Wednesdays	Bible Study Group in the hall 7.30pm
Fridays	Film Afternoon in the hall 1.30pm
Fridays	Stations of the Cross 7pm (Not 25th March)