

THIS WEEK:

Monday— Saturday: 10am Mass
Exposition and Confessions to 11am unless other service to follow.
Monday, Friday: also 6:30pm Mass.
Fridays in Lent: Stations of the Cross after the 10am Mass.

Ash Wednesday: Also 6.30pm Mass
Ashes will be distributed at the end of Mass, and on the top of your head.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

JANUARY : £14,839

Week average: £2,968.

Earthquake appeal: £1301

Racial Justice: £282

Pax Christi: £260

Crib (CCS): £671

Thank you to all!

Social Apostolate We welcome all people who need help and support. We offer a hot meal, sandwiches, fruit, seasonal clothes and toiletries.

Mondays: breakfast and help 11 am
Monday - Wednesday lunch (hot Polish soup) 1-3 pm.

Very Cold weather: if you see a homeless person on the street, you can call:

Homeless link

0207 840 44 30

www.streetlink.org.uk/Streetlink_fa

NORMAL CHURCH TIMES

Saturday Evening 6.30^{pm} (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30^{pm}, 6:30^{pm}

Mass in Spanish: 4.30^{pm}

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass

Evening Mass on Monday and Friday at 6.30^{pm}

Divine Mercy: every last Monday after evening Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

in the church after 10am Mass each weekday, after the 6.30pm Mass on Friday, 6pm Saturdays, or *by appointment at the Presbytery.*

Rosary: 11am each weekday.

Stations of the Cross: 10.30am Fri.

PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat SJ.

Assistant Priests: Fr. John McCabe SJ, Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ (JRS), Fr. John Moffatt SJ (LJC), Br. Stephen Power SJ (Admin), Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Visiting SJ priests: Fr. Bee Ruankool (Thai), Fr. Christophère Ngolele (Congo)

Music: Ann Bennett

Sunday Sacristan: Kevin De Souza

Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson.

Tel: 020 8800 2262 . M-Th 9am — 1pm

Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

If you have any concerns about safety or well-being of a child or vulnerable adult in the parish, please contact our Safeguarding Representatives: Attracta Asika 079 0544 5938 and Aga Wiecek, 077 3681 9943



7th Sunday Year A

19 February, 2023

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ASH WEDNESDAY and LENT

Ash Wednesday is the doorway into our Lenten season of renewal – a day rich in associations and symbolism. It marks the beginning of Lent – a time for turning again to the practice of our faith, in prayer, self-denial (fasting) and practical generosity (almsgiving).

Although it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, many Catholics consider it important to receive ashes on this day. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of a period of 40 days (Sundays excluded) in which Catholics prepare for Eastertide. This period also represents the 40 days that Jesus spent in the desert as well as the 40 years that the Israelites spent in exile.

The ashes themselves come from the burned palms from last year's Palm Sunday celebration: thus bringing us full circle to our last celebration of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. On Ash Wednesday, we are reminded that we are called to turn away from sin, to repent and to believe the Good News of our salvation through Jesus Christ.

During Lent we are reminded that this is a penitential season— there are no flowers in the church, and the Glory to God and Alleluia are saved for Easter. Please refrain from bringing flowers to the church if at all possible. Thank you.

Pastoral Letter of our Archbishop: All Masses today.

Response to the Psalm Today: The Lord is Compassion and Love.

GHANAIAN CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION

Calling on all Ghanaian Catholics to join the above stated association for a common cause.

We meet the second Sunday of every month at the Presbytery. Interested members can call 07477690756.Thanks.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS: The Christian Mothers Association are looking for new members. If you would like to join, please contact Agnes on 07444 707802.

ALTAR SERVERS

New altar servers are very welcome to join our serving staffs for the Sunday morning Masses: 8am, 9.30am and 11am. Children or teenagers who have received their First Holy Communion are welcome to volunteer.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for February:

For Parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

CHOIR: If you child can sing then please consider them joining our 9.30am Choir. The rehearsals are on Fridays after school.



NIGERIAN CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION

All Nigerian Catholics are invited to join us every last Sunday of the month in the presbytery after the 11am Mass.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 13th May 2023 at 2:30pm.

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 2023. If you are celebrating an anniversary, **please write or send to Judy at the parish Office** the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email). **Deadline: April 1 2023**

Cardinal Vincent Appeal for Lent 2023

Funds raised this year will be shared between the four pillars of the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal: Marriage & Family Life; Youth & Evangelisation; The Education Service and Caritas Westminster. The effects of the pandemic, followed by the cost of living crisis, are still making daily life harder for all.

Price rises last year meant many families faced an impossible choice: HEAT or EAT? And this crisis is far from over.

The Church continues to respond, with thousands of people putting their faith into action by serving those in need.

Cardinal Nichols has expressed his gratitude to everyone who supports the Appeal, with whatever they can afford. And for those who can't give financially, your time is a priceless commodity – please see the posters on how you can volunteer in the diocese and help those in need. Please take a donation envelope today, for more information. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity.

