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## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### **PARISH NOTICES**

✘ **SUNDAY MASS TIMES:** As Father Fortunato has now completed his time as Parish Priest and there is no priest immediately available to replace him, there is a need to adjust the Sunday Mass timetable to make it possible to find sufficient visiting priests. And so for the foreseeable future, **beginning the first weekend of March**, there will be the two Masses on Sunday mornings, at 9am and 11am but **no First Mass of Sunday on Saturday evening**.

✘ **SUPPLY PRIESTS:** We are currently using Supply Priests for all the Masses. Fr Christopher Colven will celebrate Saturday evening Mass at 6pm on 24<sup>th</sup> February. Fr Joe Ryan will celebrate Mass on the 25<sup>th</sup> February at 9am and 11am. We are sorry that we are unable to celebrate midweek Masses for the foreseeable future and thank you for your understanding.

✘ **PRIEST IN CHARGE:** In the absence of our Parish Priest, Fr Richard Andrew, the Dean of Hammersmith and Fulham, is overseeing our parish. He is based in Brook Green and can be contacted at: [richardandrew@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:richardandrew@rcdow.org.uk) for matters related to your pastoral needs. Please email the office in the first instance and I can forward your queries to him or the appropriate person.

✘ **CARDINAL'S LENTEN APPEAL:** Each year, the Diocese uses donations made to support the work of our services, such as Marriage & Family Life, Youth Ministry and Education. Funds are also used to support the work of Caritas Westminster, who work for and with some of the most vulnerable people in our Diocese. So, please take a donation envelope today OR for more information you can use the QR code to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity.

✘ **CAFOD:** This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Give today using the envelope or online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk) and please join us in praying with James that our sisters and brothers around the world have what they need to feed their families. Use the envelope in church or give online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk). To find out about volunteering opportunities with CAFOD visit Volunteer ([cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk))

✘ **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** The classes are held in the hall at 10am. Please collect your children for 10.50am. The next classes are: 25<sup>th</sup> February; 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March; 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> April. The parent's meeting is upstairs in the hall at 10am on 25<sup>th</sup> February.

✘ **MESSAGE FROM SISTER SILVANA, CARITAS WESTMINSTER:** Food poverty and social isolation are both tragedies - we live in one of the most prosperous cities in the world, but so many are struggling to make ends meet, and feel connected with others. The Community Food Hub run by the parish of Our Lady of Fatima, White City is doing all it can to tackle these two great problems, but the numbers needing their help have been steadily rising. They currently serve around 100 households per week, and rely almost entirely on donations, and surplus food from supermarkets. Would you be able to do a collection of food items, as part of your Lenten almsgiving, for your neighbours in W12? The project especially needs tinned fish and meat, plus kidney beans, chickpeas, rice and lentils - but they will, of course, be grateful for anything they can distribute! There are 2 plastic boxes at the back of church so please place your donations in them. Please search your cupboards and if you need help bringing food to church please let Susan know.

✘ **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK and DYING:** There is a form on the table at the back of church where you can write the names of those who are sick and dying amongst your family and friends. They will be prayed for at Sunday Mass during the Bidding Prayers. Please could you kindly write all names clearly in CAPITAL letters.

✘ **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please can you remember the sick of our parish in your prayers: Tom and Connie Arowojolu; Cynthia James; Patrick Murphy.

✘ **ABORTION AMENDMENT:** Support an amendment to reduce our abortion time limit from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Research indicates that a significant number of babies born at 22 or 23 weeks can now survive outside the womb, leaving a contradiction in our abortion law. **Take action:** Collect a postcard today from the back of the church and post it to your MP urgently in support of this amendment!

✘ **TRIP TO LOURDES:** There is an annual Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in late July for one week. It is an all-inclusive trip and will cost in the region of £1,000. Names must be registered by April. Anyone interested should contact Liz: [cetinliz@yahoo.com](mailto:cetinliz@yahoo.com) for more details.

✘ **QUIZ NIGHT:** Come along to the next quiz night Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7pm in the parish hall. It's a fun evening and a chance to exercise your little grey cells! Prizes for the winners and a raffle at the end of the evening. Bring your own drinks. There is a £2 entrance charge.

✘ **ST PATRICK'S NIGHT SOCIAL:** in the Hall on Saturday 16th March, 7 -11pm. £5 payable on the door. Light snacks provided, Irish coffee can be purchased, bring your own drinks. Raffle tickets will be given to everyone who attends. Any profits will be donated to the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal.

✘ **NEWSLETTER:** Please could you only take a newsletter from the back of church if you usually do not access emails on the computer. If you would like to be added to our email mailing list please contact Susan in the office. Our newsletter is also published on our Website.

✘ **PLEASE GIFT AID YOUR CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:** When making your donation by card there is the option to gift aid your donation on the screen, once you have entered your details you do not have to do it again for future donations. Please input your name and address details accurately otherwise we are prevented from claiming the gift aid. If you pay sufficient UK tax on your income, capital gains or on a pension Gift Aid is a reclaim against your donation from HMRC on the tax that you have already paid. For every £1 that you donate, the parish can reclaim 25p, and it doesn't cost you a penny! Forms are available from the office if you would like to donate via Standing Order or by envelope. For more info visit: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stephendaleroad/donate/other-ways-to-give/>

Missal Book	Mass Times	Readings
<b>SATURDAY</b> 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	6pm Mass	P546
<b>SUNDAY</b> 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b> 9am Mass 11am Mass	P546

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**

If you would like the Sanctuary Lamp lit before the Blessed Sacrament for a particular intention. Please speak with the parish office or send an email request to [stephendaleroad@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:stephendaleroad@rcdow.org.uk). Suggested donation is £10 for each lamp, which burns for a whole week. You can place your donation in the candle's box.

This week special intention is for: **Appointment of a new parish priest.**



