

# ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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27<sup>th</sup> February 2022 № 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## **MASS TIMES**

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm & Sunday 9:30am & 11:30am.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday:

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday at 10am.

PUBLIC ROSARY: Every Wednesday 10am.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 8am-5pm. Saturday 9:30am-6:30pm. Sunday 8am-1pm.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Saturday 10:30am -

11:15am followed by Benediction

CONFESSION: Saturday 10:30am -11:15am (in the Sacristy) or by appointment

MASSES AT 9:30AM, 1:15PM & 7PM

ASH WEDNESDAY - 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2022

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Year C Ps Week 4

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8 Responsorial Psalm: 91(92):2-3,13-16

**Response:** It is good to give thanks to the Lord. Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

**Gospel:** Luke 6:39-45

# **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Thank you for your generous donations

# 19/20 February 2022

**Envelopes** £ 180.95 Loose £ 352.11 Total £ 533.06

**Standing Orders January 2022** £ 3,282.50

Church Cleaning TEAM 6: J Rodrigues, C Lobo & A Vadakathara (Wednesday)

For all queries regarding Parish accounts, Gift Aid, Weekly envelopes, Standing orders and so on, please email at sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk & for Parish Centre(s) bookings, please email at <a href="mailto:sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk">sunburyparishcentres@rcdow.org.uk</a> or contact Lavina, Parish Administrator at the Parish office.

# **PARISH NOTICES**

Bell: We are delighted to announce that work to restore our bell to use will begin when the scaffolding goes up on Monday 14th March. The bell will ring for the noon and 6pm Angelus, before all Masses and for funerals, the consecration at Mass and at weddings. This will be the first time the bell has rung for many decades and will be our community's confidence response to the waning of the pandemic and our return to Mass. The total cost of the work will be £13,069. We are hoping to raise as much of this money as possible from donations, rather than from our small parish funds. Happily, we have already received just under £3000 in donations towards the cost so far. Please consider contributing to the bell fund and help restore this beautiful part of our parish and town's history.

Ash Wednesday: Please note this is a day of fasting and abstinence meaning that all Catholics aged 14 to 65 should refrain from meat and only eat one full meal (two snacks are acceptable). Anyone who cannot do this for health reasons is exempted.

Stations of the Cross: Booklets for Stations of the Cross will be sold for £3.50 each on Friday morning.

Funeral of Rose Marie Hook: On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 10.30am. All parishioners welcome.

Repository: The parish will be opening a Repository at the back of the church after Mass on alternate weekends - beginning Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March. On sale will be a selection of rosary beads and crucifixes as well as Mass cards, and cards celebrating First Holy Communion and other sacramental occasions. There will also be a range of books available including Bibles (for both adults and children), prayer books and items that might be appropriate gifts for younger members of the parish preparing for First Holy Communion or Confirmation. The Repository Items sheet is available in the Church porch.

Walk with Me: A Lenten Journey of Prayer booklets are available in the Church Porch for £1 and Bible Alive Lent 2022 for £3. Please place your donations in the basket provided.

Weekly Donation Envelopes: As we are due to place an order for the next Weekly Donation Envelopes starting from 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to April 2023.

If you wish to join the Standing Order or have already setup the Standing Order and wish to cancel your Weekly Donation Envelopes. Kindly email the Parish sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk or call 01932783507 with your existing Box number, Full Name, Address & Contact number as soon as possible.

If you wish to support your parish by Weekly Donation Envelopes or Standing Order, please see details below\* or contact the Parish Office.

#### **REGULAR NOTICES**

Parish Registration: If you are new to the parish and would like to register, the Parish Registration (White) forms are available in the Church porch or please email the Parish Office.

Funerals: To book a funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

\*SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH: COVID has created some financial difficulties for all, our parish included. Please continue your support. Thank you for your generosity.

- 1. If you would like "Weekly Donation Envelopes" or would like to setup Standing Order, please complete the Parish Gift Aid & Standing Order (Blue) Form available in the Church Porch OR please contact the Parish office, call: 01932783507 or Email: <a href="mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk">sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk</a> OR please visit our Parish Website DONATE/Donate to our Parish.
- 2. If you are a **TAX PAYER**, please consider joining the "**Gift Aid Scheme**" by completing the same form.
- 3. You **DO NOT** need to be a *Tax Payer* in order to set up or request for *Standing Order or Weekly Donation Envelopes*.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer a Mass, the <u>blue envelopes</u> are available in the Church Porch. Please drop your Mass intention envelopes through the Rectory - Letterbox or email the Parish Office.

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you know of someone in the parish who is very ill please contact Fr Christian to arrange a visit.

Altar Servers: Online applications to begin serving at Mass are now open for applicants under 18 and over 18. Applicants should have received their First Holy Communion. Prior experience is welcomed but not required. Please visit <u>Parish Website/Parish Life/Parish Groups /First Holy Communion</u>

**Stewards & Minister's Rotas:** The new rotas are displayed in the Church Porch and are available online on the Parish website - *Parish Groups*.

**Westminster Year Book 2022:** Copies are available at the Parish office, priced at £5.00

#### **PARISH SCHOOLS**

**Parish Schools:** St Ignatius Catholic Primary School and St Paul's Catholic College (Secondary) are this parish's two Catholic Schools, though some parishioners have children at Catholic secondary schools outside the parish bounds. Both are thriving schools. All Catholics are encouraged to have their children educated in a Catholic context.

# Signing of Certificates of Catholic Practice for Catholic Schools

- Parents are requested to contact the School Office first to learn about the School admissions & visit <a href="https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions">https://www.gov.uk/schools-admissions</a>.
- For Secondary Transfer Year 7 (Sept -Oct), Reception (Nov -Jan) & Nursery (Feb- Apr), please keep reading the Newsletter near the time for Online appointment(s) with the Priest via Parish website.
- For School Years (Yr1 to Yr6) & other school years, please email the Parish Office for an appointment at <a href="mailto:sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk">sunburyonthames@rcdow.org.uk</a>.

#### **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES**

**Baptism:** To arrange for the baptism of any child under the age of seven please contact the Parish Office to book a meeting. All parents will need to complete a short course on the Sacrament of Baptism, usually held at noon on Saturdays. A child's baptism can be booked for any Saturday which works, again at noon.

**First Holy Communion 2022**: Please see the Session dates on the Parish Website. Please note that some parents still need to pay the £15 for the course book.

**Confirmation 2021-22:** Our next Confirmation meeting will be on Tuesday at 5pm in the Loyola Centre.

# First Holy Communion 2022: Mass Attendance cards

- 1. The child should be present with his/her Attendance card. 2. Please make sure the Attendance Card has the Child's full name, this will help the Stewards to identify the card and in case the Attendance card is lost.
- 3. Please DO NOT forget to bring your Childs Attendance card to Mass every weekend.
- 4. Stamps/Stickers will not be issued for a missed Sunday.
- 5. Please contact the Parish Office if you need a new Attendance Card.

**Becoming Catholic 2021-22**: Welcome home! Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

**Marriage:** Please contact Fr Christian by telephone or email to organise a meeting.

#### **EVENTS**

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 email the parish office: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

HEAT or EAT? Help those facing this choice. Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2022: This year, we celebrate 10 years of Caritas Westminster, the social action agency of the Diocese, working with parishes to restore hope, and enable people to lead a life of dignity. Funds raised in this year's Cardinal's Lenten Appeal will be shared between parishes and Caritas Westminster. The effects of the pandemic are making daily life harder for all. Price rises mean many families face an impossible choice: HEAT or EAT? The Church is responding, 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. Just as a mosaic is made up of many different coloured pieces, each one unique, each person's contribution to this mosaic of hope will bring light into the lives of people across our Diocese. Please take a donation envelope. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity.

# APPEAL OF POPE FRANCIS CONCERNING UKRAINE

Given at the General Audience on Wednesday 22 February 2022 My heart aches greatly at the worsening situation in Ukraine. Despite the diplomatic efforts of the last few weeks, increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up. Like me, many people all over the world are feeling anguish and concern. Once again, the peace of all is threatened by partisan interests. I would like to appeal to those with political responsibility to examine their consciences seriously before God, who is the God of peace and not of war; who is the Father of all, not just of some, who wants us to be brothers and not enemies. I pray that all the parties involved refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people, destabilising coexistence between nations and bringing international law into disrepute.

And now I would like to appeal to everyone, believers and non-believers alike. Jesus taught us that the diabolical senselessness of violence is answered with God's weapons, with prayer and fasting. I invite everyone to make next 2 March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace. I encourage believers in a special way to dedicate themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on that day. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war.

# THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for our recently departed parishioners:

Bernadette Moran, Fr Dominic Byrne, Pat Suckling, Zofia

Moore, Margaret O'Sullivan, Rose Marie Hook.

+Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen+