

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Archdiocese of Westminster

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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7th January 2018

Mass Times and Intentions:

SAT 6 Jan	6.30pm		<i>People of the Parish</i>
SUN 7	10.00am	+ THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	<i>Hannah Robinson (Birthday) & Therese (Ints)</i>
	6.30pm		<i>John & Jean Greenhaigh RIP</i>
MON 8	9.00am	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	<i>Holy Souls</i>
TUE 9	9.00am	Feria (First Week of Year II)	<i>Holy Souls</i>
WED 10	9.00am	Feria	<i>Holy Souls</i>
THU 11	9.00am	Feria	<i>Holy Souls</i>
FRI 12	6.30pm	Feria	<i>Holy Souls</i>
SAT 13	6.30pm		<i>Holy Souls</i>
SUN 14	10.00am	+ 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	6.30pm		<i>Martin Gunputrav RIP</i>

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 6.00pm

(Confession): Sunday 6.00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: No adoration this week.

Parish Priest: Fr Andrew Connick
andrewconnick@rcdow.org.uk
(Away Monday 8th – Sunday 14th January)

Safeguarding Rep: Arianna Sommariva
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PARISH OFFICE:

Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri 10am-2pm

Parish Secretary: Lucy Knights
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Events Coordinator: Joann Condon
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'A WARM WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH'

Please pray for the sick in the parish, especially: Frances Hansell, Bridie McGuinness, Monica Ryan, Chrissie Long, Eileen Gallagher, Kate McCarthy, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Dan McAlinden, Kevin Ashby, Mary Wallace, Kathleen Kitto, Dolly Beaumont, Ravindhra Kumar, Maggie Knibbs, Maureen & Dennis Franey.

Weekly Offertory (Loose & Envelopes) £392 Standing Orders (weekly) £482

FR ANDREW WRITES:

This Sunday we celebrate the **Epiphany of the Lord**, in the visit of the Magi. In the Eastern Churches, this is a bigger celebration than Christmas. Christ was born quietly; the first witnesses were simple shepherds. The Magi, or Wise Men, or Kings, represent the nations of the world recognising the birth of Christ and doing him homage. The Epiphany is associated with many traditions of popular piety around the world. One such, common in central Europe, is the blessing of homes through the intercession of the Wise Men, using blessed chalk. We will bless chalk at the end of Mass for you to take home with you.

At home, use the chalk to make an inscription above your front door, to entrust your home to God's protection for the new year and to ask for God's blessing for all who enter:

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The number designates the year, while 'CMB' stands for the traditional names of the wise men – Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar – and also the prayer '*Christus mansionem benedicat*' which means 'May Christ bless this home'. Say a prayer together asking for God's blessing.

Thank you to the many parishioners who sent me cards and gifts over Christmas. I was very happy celebrating my first Christmas with you all. May God bless you in this new year,

Fr Andrew.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 528: *The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Saviour of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighbouring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Saviour of the world only by turning towards the Jews and receiving from them the messianic promise as contained in the Old Testament.*

NOTICES

Thank you to the many people who contributed in different ways to our parish Christmas celebrations. The church was beautifully decorated and the Christmas liturgies helped lift our hearts to the Lord in commemoration of his birth. Welcome back to those parishioners who have been away with family and friends over the holidays.

Fr Andrew is away from Monday 8th January – Sunday 14th January. Thank you to the Jesuit priests and Fr Alan for celebrating the Masses this week.

Julia McGannan RIP – Funeral Friday 19th January, 11.30am, followed by burial at St Patrick's Cemetery, Leytonstone. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

Becoming a Catholic – If you are interested in finding out more about Catholic faith and becoming a Catholic, please get in touch with Fr Andrew directly.

REGULAR EVENTS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – No adoration this week. Adoration will resume on Monday 15th January, 9.30-10.00am, and Sunday 21st January, 5.45-6.15pm.

Tuesday Morning Tea/Coffee – No tea and coffee after Mass on Tuesday morning, as Fr Andrew is away.

Bingo for the Over 50's – Next Bingo to be confirmed.

HURTADO JESUIT CENTRE

2 Chandler Street, E1W 2QT hurtadocentre.org.uk

We are very fortunate to have the Hurtado Jesuit Centre in our parish.

Please take advantage of their talks and reflections to give yourself an opportunity to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

'A Post-Truth World' – Series of talks continues with 'Building a culture of encounter in an age of fake news' by Austin Ivereigh on Tuesday 9th January, 7.30-9.00pm. Suggested donation £10. Book your place:

welcome@hurtadocentre.org.uk

GIVE TO ST PATRICK'S BY TEXT: TEXT PARISH STPAT TO 70800 TO GIVE £5 AUTOMATICALLY. THIS AMOUNT WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR PHONE BILL. AN EASY WAY TO TOP-UP YOUR OFFERING, OR TO GIVE IF YOU'RE VISITING OR HAVE NO CASH. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

SCHOOLS

Sacred Heart High School Hammersmith – The Governing Body is consulting on its proposed admission arrangements for entry in September 2019 (Year 7 and Sixth Form). The admission arrangements are available to view on the school's website: www.sacredhearhigh.org.uk. The consultation period ends 30th January 2018. Please address any comments in writing to Mrs A. Dijkhuis, Clerk to the Governors, Sacred Heart High School, 212 Hammersmith Road, London W6 7DG or e-mail: adijkhuis@sacredh.lbhf.sch.uk

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Journey through Lent with Marks' Gospel with Sr Anne Walsh OP and Sr Karen Marguerite OP. 25th Jan, 1st Feb, 8th Feb, 15th Feb, 8th Mar, 7:30-9:00pm at the Niland Conference Centre, 93 Elstree Rd, Bushey WD23 4EE. Suggested donation £5. Registration is required. (livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7931 6078).

Faith Formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion with Sr Karen Marguerite OP and Sr Anne Walsh OP. Sat 27th Jan, 10am-4pm (including Mass with Fr Chris Vipers), at the Niland Conference Centre, 93 Elstree Rd, Bushey WD23 4EE. Suggested donation £14. Refreshments will be provided. Please bring packed lunch. Registration required. (livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7931 6078).

Loving4Life Catholic Marriage Enrichment Day Retreat – Saturday 20th January, 10am-5pm, Our Lady, 54 Lodge Road, St John's Wood, London NW8 8LA. For enquiries and booking, contact Jane Deegan, 07595 724300, jane@loving4life.net. <http://loving4life.co.uk>

Mindfulness in Christian Tradition with Mgr Malachy Keegan. This seminar will explain Mindfulness and the great help it gives us in managing our lives well. We will learn how to live in the present moment, without worrying about the future and dwelling in the past. We will learn practical ways of being closer to God, to ourselves and to others. 27th January, 10am-3pm at the Centre for Youth Ministry, 20 Phoenix Road, Euston, London, NW1 1TA. Suggested donation £14. Registration required. (livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7931 6078).

Discernment Weekend for Women – 9-11th February at the Bar Convent, York, led by the Sisters of the Congregation of Jesus, for women discerning a vocation to religious life. For information and to register email: vocations@congregatiojesu.org.uk

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