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Third Sunday of Lent

3rd/4th March 2018

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: Page 154: Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 18; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

Next Week: Fourth Sunday of Lent: Page: 162: 2 Corinthians 36:14-16, 19-23; Psalm 136; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21



GOD'S HOUSE – A HOUSE OF WORSHIP

The following prayer was found written over the door of a church:

'Lord, make the door of this house
wide enough to receive
all who need human love and fellowship;
narrow enough to shut out
all envy, pride and strife.
Make its threshold smooth enough
to be no stumbling block to children
nor to straying feet.
Make this house a house of prayer
and a gateway to your Kingdom'

This weekend we welcome Bishop John Wilson to our church and our parish. May his visit be a fruitful one for all of us.

May the Lord help us to make our church a house of prayer, joy and unity. And may what we do here help us to give 'God the worship of our lives'.

FR. JOHN

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

A warm welcome to Francie Christopher Stokes, Valentina and Giada Putorti who were baptised this weekend and offer our warmest congratulations to their families

CONFIRMATION 2018

The next session will be on **Tuesday 6th March** at 7.15pm in the Parish Centre.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next session will be on **Wednesday 7th March** at 7.30pm.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

There will be a Baptism Preparation Course on **Saturday 10th March** from 2pm-4pm in the Parish Centre.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion Preparation continues on the following dates: **10th & 24th March**. The children will be leading the prayers at the Saturday 6pm Mass on these dates.

PARISH NOTICES

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 5th March** at 7.30pm. Come and enjoy an evening of games with your friends at the UCM. The Parish Hall is always very comfortably warm!

TEN POUND NOTES

A reminder that the old £10 notes ceased to be legal tender and went out of circulation on **1st March 2018**. If you have any old £10 notes at home please exchange them at your bank. That applies to old £1 coins and £5 notes.

LINE DANCING

The next Line Dancing session is on **Monday 12th March** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Sessions are £4.00 per person. All welcome.

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE

Further to the information in last week's newsletter re the Eucharistic Conference in Liverpool, anyone interested in going to this conference please speak to Fr John as soon as possible **latest by 6th March**. We have a limited number of tickets allocated to us.

OTHER

CONNECT@FELTHAM

Connect@Feltham provides a safe place for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities who would like to take part in Art, Music and Dance activities as well as learning basic cooking skills. The first meeting will take place on **Tuesday 13th March** starting with cookery from 10.30am to 12.30pm and Drama from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Contact Tiziana Mecocci on 020 8202 3999 for further information.

MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS

The annual Mass for bereaved parents will take place at **2.30pm on Saturday 10th of March** at Westminster Cathedral. Parents will be invited to write the names of their deceased children on a card which will be taken up with the offertory.

PERMANENT DEACON "COME AND SEE"

Men wanting to know more about the Permanent Diaconate are invited to come to a two hour meeting from 10am to 12noon at: St Edward the Confessor, Golders Green on **Saturday 10th March** or Ealing Abbey on **Saturday 14th April** or Our Lady and St Vincent, Potters Bar on **Saturday 12th May**. No booking needed. Wives welcome. Contact details: Deacon Adrian Cullen 07961 594725 or Deacon Anthony Clark 07545 373548.

MARY'S MEALS

Mary's Meals is a charity that sets up school feeding programmes in communities where poverty and hunger prevent children from gaining an education. Amazingly 3 full black sacks of good quality clothing will feed a child one good nutritious meal every school day for a whole year! Mary's Meals will be coming to our Church on **17th/18th March** to take away your unwanted clothing and bedding (**no duvets or pillows or books please**). Over the next few weeks gather your unwanted clothes and put them in tied sacks ready for collection on 18th March. **PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR BAGS BEFORE 17th/18th MARCH AS WE DO NOT HAVE THE STORAGE SPACE.**

CAFOD THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous support for Family Fast Day. Money raised so far is £2,018.44 which includes £244.37 in Gift Aid. This amount will be matched pound for pound by the Government. The CAFOD boxes that some of you took need to be handed in just after Easter and the money from these will be added to the above. Please come to our Soup Lunch on **Saturday 17th March** after the midday Mass.

CARDINAL'S MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY - WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL, SATURDAY 19th MAY 2018 AT 3PM.

The Cardinal will be 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 2018. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give Florie in the Parish Office the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address, name and place of Church of marriage and email address (or telephone number, if no email) by **16th March**.

REST IN PEACE

TERESA ANN PRIOR RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of **Teresa Ann Prior RIP** whose funeral service will take place on **Monday 5th March** at 12.20pm at Hanworth Crematorium. May she rest in peace. Please also keep her family in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 3 rd	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	12.00	Joseph Braganza RIP (Baptisms of Valentina & Giada Putorti)
	12.30	Stations of the Cross
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	For the intentions of the Power Family
Sun 4 th	09.00	Herman Gill RIP
	11.00	Michael Gilbert RIP
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	18.00	People of the Parish
Mon 5 th	09.30	Reed Fernandes in Birthday Thanksgiving
Tues 6 th	09.30	Raymond Jeyapragasam RIP (Anniversary)
Wed 7 th	09.30	Paul, Francisca, Rafael & Winosa Omoniyodo in Thanksgiving
	19.30	Stations of the Cross in Polish
Thurs 8 th	09.30	Celebrant's Intention
Fri 9 th	09.30	Annie O'Halloran RIP
	10.00	Stations of the Cross
Sat 10 th	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	12.00	Emily Theobalds RIP
	12.30	Stations of the Cross
	13.15	Baptisms of Olivia Kamile Szczotka, John Pietro and Tracy Alessia
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	David, Rose & Philip D'Souza RIP
19.00	Polish Retreat	
Sun 11 th	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Fr Peter Raposo RIP (3 rd Anniversary)
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	15.00	Mass in Ukrainian for the Ukrainian Community
	18.00	Danny Da Silva RIP

Sanctuary Lamp: Paul Omoniyodo (Intentions)

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

24-25 February: Envelopes £909.68; Loose: £904.41

Standing Orders: £742.00 **Total: £2,556.09**

Parish Centre Building Fund February: £1,269.32

Sunday Mass: 6pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm (Polish) & 6pm.

Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am; Saturday 12noon;

Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am,

Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays 10am, Exposition and Benediction:

Saturdays 11am,

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday 11am and 5pm