



St Joseph's Church

Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th September 2016

There will be rejoicing in heaven over on repentant sinner

Mass Times, etc

10th	Sat	Feria
	10.00	
	10.30	Confessions
	18.00	Vigil Mass with Hymns
	19.00	Confessions & Exposition with Benediction
11th	Sun	Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
	08.15	
	09.30	Folk Music & Little Church
	11.00	Solemn Mass
	12.30	With Hymns
	18.00	
12th	Mon	Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
13th	Tue	St John Chrysostom
	07.30	
	10.00	
14th	Wed	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
	07.30	
	10.00	
15th	Thu	Our Lady of Sorrows
	07.30	
	10.00	
16th	Fri	SS Cornelius & Cyprian
	07.30	
	10.00	
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The Holy Robe of Christ in Trier

I visited the very fine city of Trier during my holidays. Trier is located in South West Germany only 30 km from the Luxemburg border on the beautiful River Moselle which is noted for its fine wines.

This is a very ancient city which was originally founded by the Celts in the 4th Century BC and then taken over by the Romans and expanded by them until it became one of the largest cities in the Empire with a population of over 75,000 people.

It is also notable from an ecclesiastical perspective since it has the oldest seat of a Bishop north of the Alps. It is also the birthplace of St Ambrose (Born 334 AD), the great Bishop of Milan who converted St Augustine and who was noted for his fine catechetical homilies.

The rather large Cathedral houses a notable relic, namely the seamless robe of Christ. It only goes on show very rarely, the last time was in 2012 so we are unlikely to be able to see it for quite some time, but it is reverently kept in a shrine behind the high altar. This Holy Robe was reputedly given to the Cathedral by St Helena who discovered it at the same time as finding the True Cross during her pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Whether you believe that this is the actual robe of Christ or not we have to acknowledge its antiquity and the fact that it has been the object of Christian devotion at least since the early middle ages and quite possibly much longer than that.

Like every relic its meaning is more important than its authenticity. We are all of us asked to put on the spiritual robe of Christ, to wear his clothes in the world of today and to act as he would act and to say the things he would say. This remains a challenge for us all and this Holy Robe reminds us of our high vocation in life.

Father Alex

Confessions:

Saturday 10.30-11.00 & 19.00-19.30, First Friday 18.15-18.45

Adoration & Benediction: Saturday 19.00-19.30

Baptisms: Sunday 15.00 (By appointment)

Form Signing: Mon & Weds 18.00-19.00 Term time only

Rosary: Tuesday & Thursday at 18.45.

Intention for September: Putting God back into family life.

A family that prays together ... stays together.

Sunday Readings: Year C **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

Cycle of Prayer: Autumn

Harvest, Fruits of Human of Work, Reverent Use of Creation, Students and Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the world, Prisoners and their Families, All Victims of War & Young People

200 Club September Winners

1st Prize, £250 Willie Moffatt
2nd Prize, £100 Maureen Kelly
3rd Prize, £50 Mary Harrington
4th Prize, £50 Lucella McCarthy
5th Prize, £50 Sacha Moffatt

Congratulations to all our winners!

The next draw will take place on Sunday 2nd October.

Many thanks to all our supporters.

Forms to sign up for the 200 Club are at the back of Church.

Little Church

Little Church commences this Sunday at the 9.30 mass. We are looking for parents who would be willing to lead the sessions. Please speak to Deacon Stephen if you are able to help. Children, especially younger ones, should normally be accompanied by a parent when coming to Little Church.

**When we have travelled all ways,
we shall come to the End of all ways,
who says, "I am the way."**

St. Ambrose

Singing Group

The Singing Group is looking for more singers and musicians to help at masses on alternate Sundays at 9.30. If you can help please contact Antonella on 07885 098097.

GCSE Results

Congratulations to all our young parishioners for their excellent GCSE exam results this year:

Sacred Heart Language College: 81% of pupils achieved 5 or more A*-C grades including English and Mathematics.

Salvatorian College: 75% of pupils achieved 5 or more A*-C grades including English and Mathematics, which is a 16% improvement on last year.

Well done to the teachers and pupils for their hard work and to all the parents for their support.

Salvatorian College Open Evening

The Salvatorian College Open Evening will take place on Wednesday 14th September at 17.30. It is aimed at pupils in Years 5 & 6 who wish to enter in 2017. There will also be the opportunity to visit the College on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th at 11.00. Please come along to see the College and talk to the staff.

The Sacred Heart Language College Open Evening

We invite you to attend our Open Evening sessions at Sacred Heart Language College (Wealdstone) for full details of admission arrangements for September 2017: Wednesday 14th September, 18.30-20.30 & Thursday 22nd September, 16.00-18.00.

**No one heals himself
by wounding another.**

Saint Ambrose

Jubilee Pilgrimage to St Albans

Starting at 14.30 on Saturday 8th October in Verulamium Park with a short liturgy focusing on the Proto-Martyr followed by a procession to St Alban's Shrine in the Abbey. Bishop John Sherrington will preach at Evensong at 16.00.

Scripture Study

Resumes next Friday 16th September after the 10.00 mass.

Forthcoming Dates

Reflection by Sister Avril 10.30 29th September
Parish Council 19.30 29th September
First Friday Devotions 7th October
Visitation by Bishop 20th November
Parish Council 24th November



Afternoon Tea 2pm-4pm

This Sunday 11th September

Tickets for Afternoon Tea on the Presbytery Lawn cost £7.00 and include unlimited tea, coffee and fruit juice, a selection of sandwiches, cakes and scones, plus musical entertainment.

Raffle prizes so far include a bouquet of flowers from Flower House, a food hamper from Waitrose, a hanging basket donated by Carpenter's Park Garden Centre, a meal for two from Miller & Carter and a bottle of Whisky. Donations of gifts for prizes and cakes and scones for the Afternoon Tea would be much appreciated.

Tickets are available on arrival. Please come and join us for a pleasant afternoon in congenial company.

Scouts

The new term for our Scout Group (27th Harrow) has started and there are vacancies at all levels. Boys and girls are invited to come along and try out Beavers (Aged 6-8), Cubs (Aged 8-10) and Scouts (aged 10-14) Meetings take place on Tuesdays at the Scout Hall in Claremont Road. Beavers meet from 5.30-6.45 and Cubs and Scouts from 7-8.30. Information from Tom on 01438 724833.

First Holy Communion

If your child is in Year 3 and you would like them to receive First Holy Communion next year, please complete the application form at the back of the Church and return it to the Presbytery by Sunday 23rd October 2016, at the latest. Please enclose a photocopy of your child's baptism certificate with the application form and the fee of £20 for materials. The first parents meeting will be on Tuesday 22nd November 2016 at 19.00 in the Church. Volunteers are required to help with the First Communion Program. If you wish to help please see Deacon Stephen Khokhar at the end of mass on Sundays.

**Not everything that can be counted counts,
and not everything that counts
can be counted.**

Albert Einstein

Last Week's Offertory Collection

Sunday 4th September £2,827. Many thanks.

Forthcoming Second Collections

9th October CAFOD.

Counting Group

Today Group 4: Next Sunday Group 5.

Church Cleaning

Thursday 15th September, Group 2, 11.30 - 12.30.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

11th Sat 18.00 G Teague, C D'Souza, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 E D'Souza, M Correa, T Drew; 9.30 J Donohue, J Conneely; 11.00 I Walker; 12.30 **Ministers required**; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **18th** Sat 18.00 G Teague, S Mantio, T Kinsella; Sun 8.15 M Correa, R Yep, E D'Souza; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, G Simpungwe; 12.30 A Jervis, J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo

Readers' Rota

11th 18.00 J Moore; Sun 8.15 B Adeboye, E Arjune; 9.30 P Horne; 11.00 J Jacob; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 P Arrigo. **18th** 18.00 C D'Souza; Sun 8.15 E Amalathas, A Yep; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 M Kelly; 12.30 M Coyle; 18.00 E Amexo.

Recently Deceased

John Joseph O'Toole, Iver Heath, Bucks. Funeral: Thursday 15th September at 14.00 at Breakspear Crematorium.

Madeline Forkin (sister of Paddy Forkin, Spencer Road) died in Ireland. Funeral has taken place.