



# St Joseph's Church

## Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

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**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**29th January 2017**

## How happy are the poor in spirit

### Mass Times

<b>28th</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>St Thomas Aquinas</b>
		10.00
		10.30 Confessions
		18.00 Vigil Mass with Hymns
<b>29th</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		08.15
		09.30 Folk Music & Little Church
		11.00 Solemn Mass
		12.30 With Hymns
		18.00
<b>30th</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Feria</b>
		07.30
		10.00
<b>31st</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>St John Bosco</b>
		07.30
		10.00
<b>1st</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Feria</b>
		07.30
		10.00
		19.00 Funeral
<b>2nd</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Presentation of the Lord</b>
		07.30
		10.00
<b>3rd</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>SS Lawrence, Dunstan &amp; Theodore</b>
		07.30
		10.00
		18.15 Confessions
		19.00 First Friday Mass
<b>4th</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Feria</b>
		10.00
		10.30 Confessions
		18.00 Vigil Mass with Hymns
		19.00 Confessions & Exposition with Benediction
<b>5th</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		08.15
		09.30 Folk Music & Little Church
		11.00 Solemn Mass
		12.30 With Hymns
		18.00



Sermon on the Mount, Ivan Makarov (1822–1897)

### The Beatitudes

The Beatitudes must be in everyone's top ten list of scripture texts. This reading remains a popular choice at both weddings and funerals because in very beautiful and poetic words it sums up the kind of person every Christian wants to be.

However on carefully looking at it we might start to think that we don't want to be poor or to mourn or to be persecuted. However we would be happy enough if we were gentle, if we had a hunger and thirst for what is right, if we were merciful or if we were peacemakers.

But maybe this mix of seemingly positive and negative qualities is an accurate picture of our lives here on earth. What we should remember though is that in the Kingdom of God everything is turned to a good purpose even that which is outwardly negative. Perhaps then we should therefore look on being poor in a positive light and interpret it as living simply. Maybe mourning could be seen as the result of loving the friends we have lost very deeply and perhaps persecution as the consequence for standing up for what is right and true.

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 January: Peace & purity in our world.

**Sunday Readings:** Year A **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

**Cycle of Prayer: Winter**

Peace on Earth, Christian Unity, The Sick and their Carers,  
Victims of Trafficking and those who combat it, Racial Justice,  
The Unemployed.

### Scripture Study Group

Meets after the 10.00 Mass every Friday in the Catechist's Office to study the Gospel of the following Sunday.

### Little Church

Little Church and Tiny Church take place during the 9.30 mass on Sundays. Please ensure children are accompanied.

### Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

On Saturday 11th February we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, this is the World Day of Prayer for the Sick and we will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick at the 10.00 mass that day. Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick is also held at Westminster Cathedral on that day at 14.00.

### Permanent Diaconate

Men wanting to know more about the permanent diaconate are invited to a two-hour meeting from 10.00 to 12.00 at one of the following: 25 March 2017: St Edward the Confessor, Golders Green, 16 April: Ealing Abbey, 21 May: Sacred Heart and St Joseph, Ware. No booking needed. Wives welcome. Contact Deacon Adrian Cullen on 07961 594725 or Deacon Anthony Clark on 07545 373548.

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**Tell me and I forget;  
show me and I remember;  
involve me and I understand**

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### Marriage in 2017

If you are considering getting married in 2017 please contact Father Alex as soon as possible so that the preparation process can be started in good time.

### Harrow Weald Cemetery Mass

Annual Mass takes place on Monday 13th February 11.00 at All Saints Church, Uxbridge Road. Includes those buried in Clump Hill, Wealdstone and Carpenter's Park Cemeteries.

### Repository

Volunteer required to look after the repository on Sunday evenings. Please contact Susan Whelan on: 07786 980374.

### Family Bingo

Family Bingo will be held on Friday 3rd February at 19.30 for 20.00 start, in aid of the Parish Development Fund. *Please note the change in date.* Donations of gifts for prizes would be most welcome.

### Coffee Morning

Next Sunday in aid of the Parish Development Fund.

### Women's World Day of Prayer

An Interdenominational Service will be held in the Church on Friday 3rd March at 13.00 to commemorate Women's World Day of Prayer. If you are interested in forming a group please contact Sister Elizabeth on 07541 640043.

### Primary and Nursery Places

St Teresa's Primary School & Nursery have places available. Please ring 020 8428 8640 for more details.

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**We should at least spend as much time  
thanking God for his favours  
as we have spent in asking for them**

*St Vincent de Paul*

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### Reflections with Sister Avril OP

On Tuesday 31st January after the 10.00 Mass in the hut Sister Avril will lead a reflection on 'The Light Mysteries of the Holy Rosary'. All most welcome.

### Forthcoming Dates

First Friday Devotions.....3rd February  
Mary's Meals Rags to Riches Collection..... 19th February  
Parish Council ..... 23rd February  
First Friday Devotions.....3rd March  
Parish Council ..... 4th May  
First Communion ..... 14.00 6th, 13th, 20th May  
Confirmation..... 9th, 10th, 17th May  
Parish AGM.....6th July



There will be a *Rags to Riches* collection of old clothes in aid of Mary's Meals on the weekend of 18/19th February. The money raised from the sale of the clothes will go towards the provision of meals for school pupils in developing countries. Please leave them in the boxes in the Church Porch but not before that weekend please. Please note Mary's Meals will accept clothes, bags, blankets, towels, curtains, shoes and bedding (not duvets or pillows) but not books or bric à brac.

### First Friday Devotions

There will be Confessions and Exposition at 18.15 followed by Mass at 19.00 on Friday 3rd February.

### Schools Achievement

We congratulate the Sacred Heart Girls School which came top in the Harrow School League tables and also the Salvatorian College which came second. The Salvatorian College also demonstrated the highest level of attainment for boys in London Borough of Harrow. It should be noted that Harrow is among the highest performing boroughs in the country and so our two secondary schools should be very proud of their achievement.

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**In prayer it is better to have  
a heart without words  
than words without a heart**

*John Bunyan*

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### Last Week's Offertory Collection

Sunday 22nd January £2,709. Many thanks.

### Second Collections

12th March CAFOD Lent Fast Day, 14th April Holy Places

### Counting Group

Today Group 8: Next Sunday Group 1.

### Church Cleaning

Thursday 2nd February, Group 3, 11.30 – 12.30.

### Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

**29th** Sat 18.00 G Teague, S Mantio, T Kinsella; Sun 8.15 M Correa, R Yep, T Drew; 9.30 J Donohue, O Agboro, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, M Kelly; 12.30 J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **5th** Sat 18.00 G Teague, C D'Souza, T Kinsella; Sun 8.15 E D'Souza, M Correa, T Drew; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, O Agboro; 11.00 J Fajfer-Wieczorek; G Simpungwe, I Walker; 12.30 J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo.

### Readers' Rota

**29th** 18.00 C D'Souza; Sun 8.15 E Amalathas, A Yep; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney, P Horne; 11.00 P Singh; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 P Arrigo. **5th** 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 B Adeboye, E Arjune; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 M Kelly; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 E Amexo.

### Recently Deceased

*Patrick Hession* (husband of Anne). Funeral: Wednesday 1st February at 19.00 followed by burial in Ireland.

*Frances Crispe*, (wife of Gerald Crispe) Reception: Tuesday 7th February at 19.00. Funeral: Wednesday 8th February at 10.00 followed by burial at Wealdstone Cemetery.

*Pearl Collen-Jones* (mother of the late Ronald Collen-Jones) Funeral: Thursday 9th February at 11.00 at Breakspear Crematorium.

*Brendan Clifford*, South Harrow. Reception: Thursday 9th February at 19.00. Funeral: Friday 10th February at 10.00 followed by burial at Pinner New Cemetery.

*Michael (Mick) Maher*, Uncle of Maureen Kelly. Died in Ireland.

*Neil Joseph Smith*. Funeral to be arranged.

*May they rest in peace*