



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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Second Sunday of Lent

25th February 2018

"This is my Son, the Beloved"

Mass Times

24th	Sat	Lent Feria
	10.00	
	18.00	<i>Vigil Mass with Hymns</i>
25th	Sun	Second Sunday of Lent
	08.15	
	09.30	<i>with Children's Liturgy</i>
	11.00	<i>Solemn Mass</i>
	12.30	
	18.00	
26th	Mon	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
27th	Tue	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
28th	Wed	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	<i>Requiem Mass for James Nagle +</i>
	19.00	
1st	Thu	St David, Patron of Wales
	07.30	
	10.00	
2nd	Fri	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
	19.00	<i>Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart</i>
3rd	Sat	Lent Feria
	10.00	
	18.00	<i>Vigil Mass with Hymns</i>
4th	Sun	Second Sunday of Lent
	08.15	
	09.30	<i>with Children's Liturgy</i>
	11.00	<i>Solemn Mass</i>
	12.30	
	18.00	

Confessions:

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

Adoration & Benediction: Saturday 19.00-19.30

First Friday 18.00-18.50

Baptisms: Saturdays at Noon - by appointment

Form Signing: Mondays & Wednesdays in the Presbytery

18.00 for one hour - during school term time only

Public Rosary: Tuesday & Thursday evenings 18.45

Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

Cycle of Prayer for England & Wales - Lent:

Candidates for the Sacraments; Women;

The Needy and Hungry of the World;

Penitents and Wanderers



The Gospel for this weekend is St Mark's version of the Transfiguration, which is an addition to the other time we hear this reading on the feast of the Transfiguration itself during the summer. The Catholic understanding of this event is that it took place to prepare the disciples for the scandal of the Cross. In turn, we are presented with this Gospel today to remind us that Lent is not forever. Whilst we rightly embrace our Lenten duties and focus on the self-sacrificial love of the Father in and through the crucifixion and death of His Son, this journey through Lent will ultimately end with the glory of the resurrection of Christ and the salvation of his people.

I commend the Lenten devotions to all parishioners, which will take place in the parish this Lent - please see the opposite page for further details. Of course, making a good Lent doesn't finish with church-based activities. The usual practices of fasting, self-denial, and almsgiving should be at the heart of our endeavours without question, but Lent is also about coming to a much deeper awareness of the love and mercy of God. Thus, a deepening of prayer, together with a thorough examination of one's conscience before making a sacramental confession is essential for all of us. You will also find some light spiritual reading for Lent at the back of the church.

I also appeal to all parishioners for a greater effort in avoiding unnecessary/noisy chatter in the church before mass, especially as we enter this holy season - speak to God before mass and to each other after mass!

*With love,
Father Paul*

Please avoid loud chatter in the church!

LENTEN DEVOTIONS 2018

Every Wednesday during Lent

Stations of the Cross at 6pm

Confessions at 6.30pm

Mass at 7pm

Every Sunday during Lent

Stations of the Cross at 4pm

Parish Pastoral Council - PPC

Owing to a change in clergy last September and the need for Father Paul to get reacquainted with the parish as a whole, meetings of the Parish Pastoral Council had been placed on hold. However, there is now a need to re-establish these meetings in order for the clergy to keep parishioners informed and involved with the running of the parish. As such, a meeting of the PPC will be held on Tuesday 20th March, 7.30pm in the hut. A number of important issues will be on the agenda, including an update of the Salvatorian College re-build and the provision of a new parish hall. PPC meetings are open to all parishioners and Father Paul appeals for greater parishioner input, so please make a good effort to come along.

Confirmation 2018

Next preparation class will be Thursday 1st March in the Salvatorian College canteen. Early group at 6pm, late group at 7pm.

Coffee Morning

This Sunday in the hut, in aid of the Parish Development Fund.

International Women's Day of Prayer

All are welcome to join RNDM Sisters at 192 High Street on Friday 2nd March at 11.45am, for prayers prepared by women of Suriname with the theme "All Creation is very good".

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Two lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Saturday to Saturday. Parishioners may offer these candles for their intentions at £10 each. Please enquire at the Repository.

Celebration of Marriage 2018

Cardinal Vincent will celebrate the annual Celebration of Marriage Mass on Saturday 19th May, 3pm at Westminster Cathedral. All couples who are celebrating 5, 10, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 + years of a Catholic marriage are invited to attend. Please make contact with the parish office to register, leaving both names, wedding date, full postal address and a contact number. Please do this at your earliest convenience.

Reflections with Sister Avril OP

Tuesday 13th March after the 10.00 Mass in the hut: Stations of the Cross with Mary.

Lent Extra & Walk with Me

For guided reading during Lent. Both books cost £1.00 and are available to buy at the back of the church.

Forthcoming Dates

First Friday Devotions..... from 6.15 2nd March
Sister Avril's Reflection 13th March
Palm Sunday..... 25th March
Easter Sunday..... 1st April
First Communion 5th, 12th & 19th May
Confirmation..... 20th 21st & 22nd June



**No mobile
phones**

The Cardinal's Lenten Appeal

The Cardinal's Lenten Appeal was set up in 2015 to fund the innovative work of Catholic parishes, schools and charities working within the Diocese, contributing to three important areas of the Church: Marriage and Family Life – enriching and supporting marriages, the essential building block of society and the Church; Youth and Evangelisation – supporting young people, the future of the Church, as they grow in their relationship with God and deepen their Catholic faith; and the Church's Social Outreach within Civil Society – putting our faith into action through projects that serve the poor, the lonely and the marginalised, especially at a time of greater division and inequality in society. These mission areas embody how we live out the Gospel and put our Catholic values into action – in service to others through practical programmes. Please take a Cardinal's Lenten Appeal donation leaflet as you leave Mass today. During Lent, and in the spirit of sacrifice, sharing and almsgiving, please consider designating your Lenten sacrifice to the Cardinals Appeal. A special collection will be taken in a few weeks' time.

First Friday Devotions

Adoration and Confessions available this coming first Friday from 6.15pm, followed by a votive Mass of the Sacred Heart at 7pm. All Welcome.

New Shrine Candles On Trial

Please continue to observe good practice when lighting these candles by not touching the glass holders. Please also DO NOT light one candle from another.

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

- 1: Caya & Sheelah Joymangul (family intentions)
Anusha & Joshua Aukhaj-Smith (family intentions)
- 2: Daniel Bowles+(1st anniversary)

Last Week's Offertory Collection

18th February £3,203 - for which, many thanks.

Counting Group

Today Group 8: Next Sunday Group 1.

Church Cleaning

Thursday 1st March, Group 1, 11.30 – 12.30.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

25th Sat 18.00 C D'Souza, G Teague, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 T Drew, R Yep, M Correa; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker; 12.30 L McGloin, J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **4th** Sat 18.00 G Teague, S Mantio, C D'Souza; Sun 8.15 M Correa, R Yep, E D'Souza; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 G Simpungwe, I Walker, M Kelly; 12.30 J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo.

Readers' Rota

25th Sat 18.00 A Goldwyn; Sun 8.15 A Yep; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 M Kelly; 12.30 M Coyle; 18.00 E Amexo. **4th** Sat 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 E Arjune, E Amalathas; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 **Reader Required**; 12.30 **Reader Required**. 18.00 **Reader Required**.

Recently Deceased

James Nagle, Borrowdale Avenue, Harrow Weald. Funeral: Wednesday 28th February at 10am followed by cremation at Breakspear.

Grainne Curley (formerly of this parish). Funeral: Tuesday 6th March at 10.00am followed by cremation at Breakspear.

Patrick Gallagher, Stanmore Residential Home (Uncle of Caroline East). Funeral to be arranged.

Ligia De Souza, (Mother of Lilia). Funeral to be arranged.