



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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Third Sunday of Lent

4th March 2018

"Zeal for your house will devour me"

Mass Times

3rd	Sat	Lent Feria
	10.00	
	18.00	<i>Vigil Mass with Hymns</i>
4th	Sun	Third Sunday of Lent
	08.15	
	09.30	<i>with Children's Liturgy</i>
	11.00	<i>Solemn Mass</i>
	12.30	
	18.00	
5th	Mon	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
6th	Tue	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	<i>Requiem Mass for Grainne Curley +</i>
7th	Wed	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
	19.00	
8th	Thu	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
9th	Fri	Lent Feria
	07.30	
	10.00	
10th	Sat	Lent Feria
	10.00	
	18.00	<i>Vigil Mass with Hymns</i>
11th	Sun	Fourth Sunday of Lent
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	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



This weekend the Gospel presents a familiar event in the life of Our Lord. The Cleansing of the Temple is a dramatic and startling episode in the Gospel narrative. It presents us with a side to Jesus that perhaps we don't like to consider. However, Jesus did get mad from time to time, most especially with the hypocrisy of the religious leaders of his day, and it is their misuse of the Lord's temple that is the cause of his anger today.

Whilst the selling of animals was necessary for fulfilling the various temple rituals, it was the fact that such sales had overtaken the sanctity and dignity of the temple; moreover, Jesus saw all of this hustle and bustle as an obstacle between the people and their relationship with God Himself.

Our reverence and attitude to prayer and worship is manifest in how we treat the church building, and in how we approach the altar to receive the Blessed Sacrament. Whilst we are a vibrant, lively parish - and this is great - it is also most important for us to recognise those times in church when we need to remember where we are, and in whose presence we are in when we walk through the doors - Bidden or not bidden, GOD IS PRESENT!

From an individual point of view, each one of us has a duty to make sure that our 'house is in order.' The season of Lent gives us a focused opportunity to cleanse the sanctuary of our souls. What things in life stop us from being God's temple? What things do we let block our hearts from God and his Spirit? During this season we should all take stock and if needed clear out all that stops us from flourishing in the love of God.

*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

Church Toilets

Last weekend, the toilets were closed because of severe blockage caused by excess toilet paper and hygiene products. This cost the parish a lot of money to be put right. In light of this: **all children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult, and nothing other than small amounts of toilet paper to be put down the lavatory. Please be very considerate when using the toilets as another episode of misuse will result in them being permanently closed!**

Water Damage

Owing to water damage in the catechist's office, children's liturgy will be cancelled until after the Easter holidays in order to bring the room up to good standard. Children are encouraged to take an activity sheet available at the back of church during this time.

Parish Pastoral Council - PPC

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.

Father Mike Newman SDS - R.I.P.

Many parishioners will remember Fr Mike from the US who used to come to us on summer supply. Sadly, Father Mike died last Thursday in his hometown of Chico, California, aged 79 years. May he rest in peace.

Confirmation 2018

Next preparation class will be Thursday 15th March in the Salvatorian College canteen. Early group at 6pm, late group at 7pm.

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.

Forthcoming Dates

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

Second Collection Next Weekend

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 and remember to bring it along with you next week for the second collection.

Parish Development Fund

Family Bingo raised £236 and the Coffee Morning raised £206. Grateful thanks for your donations and support, it is very much appreciated. Our next Family Bingo is Friday 23rd March – 8.00 pm start.

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: Margaret Wright (Special intentions)
- 2: Eileen O'Connor (Get well)

Last Week's Offertory Collection

25th February £2,989 - for which, many thanks.

Counting Group

Today Group 1: Next Sunday Group 2.

Church Cleaning

Thursday 8th March, Group 3, 11.30 – 12.30.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

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 D O'Dowd; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **11th Sat** 18.00 C D'Souza, G Teague, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 T Drew, R Yep, E D'Souza; 9.30 J Donohue, P Horne, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker; 12.30 L McGloin, J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo.

Readers' Rota

4th Sat 18.00 **Reader Required**; Sun 8.15 E Arjune, E Amalathas; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 **Reader Required**; 12.30 M Coyle. 18.00 **Reader Required**. **11th Sat** 18.00 A Goldwyn; Sun 8.15 A Yep; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 **Reader Required**; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 E Amexo.

Recently Deceased

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 Sousa, (Mother of Lilia Cummins). Funeral: Friday 16th March at 10.00am followed by burial at Carpender's Park Cemetery.

Eileen Haughey, (formerly of this parish). Funeral to take place in Roscommon, Ireland.

May they rest in peace