



St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

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The Transfiguration of the Lord

6th August 2023



Today we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke.

The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his passion. In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Elijah is remembered as one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continued as they wondered what Jesus meant by "rising from the dead." Until they also witness his passion and death, the disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we see in this event an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.

YOUR MASSES

Cycle of Readings Year A; Weekday Year I

- Monday: 7.30 & 10.00: Mass
Tuesday: **St Dominic, Priest**
7.30 & 10.00: Mass
Wednesday: **St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**
7.30 & 10.00: Mass
Thursday: **St Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr**
7.30 & 10.00: Mass
Friday: **St Clare, Virgin**
7.30: Mass
10.00: Funeral
Saturday: 10:00: Mass
6pm: Vigil Mass
Sunday: **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8.15; 9.30; 11.00 & 12.30.

Livestreaming link:

<https://youtube.com/@stjosephsharrow>



Kisiju Mission Introduction by Father Patrick Keaney

Father Patrick thanks everyone who attended the presentation on his Kisiju Mission in Tanzania, last weekend. Your generous donations will go a long way towards supporting this project. Thank you to Collette & Melanie for their help with the presentation and to Lucella and her team for the providing refreshments.

Together to Sturry!

A Parish trip to Sturry (**Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions**) has been arranged for Saturday 23rd September. Details to follow.

Altar Linen Cleaning Rota

We are trying to organize a rota of people to wash the cloths used by the priest during Mass. If you would be interested in helping out (say once a month or so), please contact Jo on: 07811 344400.

Young Readers

The Young Readers Course will begin in September **on Saturday 2nd & 9th, Sunday 17th and Saturday 23rd September (please note change of date) from 4.30 – 5.30pm.** Meetings will take place in the Catechists' Office and the Church. Any young parishioners who would like to read during Mass are most welcome to attend these sessions – call the Parish Office to register: 020 8427 1955.

RCIA

If anyone is thinking of becoming a Catholic, please let us know as we are planning to run an RCIA Course in the Autumn.

From the Registers...

*Megan Irvine & Daniel Kelleher
who were married on Friday 4th August
May the Lord bless them with His Love*



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

2 lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Sat to Sat. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each. Enquire at the Presbytery.

1. **Linus William Kadzere+(anni)**
2. **Samantha Kadzere & Ryan Matthew (ints)**

Pope's Intention for August

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Rosary intention for August

For love and reconciliation in families.

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children

The SPUC needs volunteers to help with labelling and packing letters and other office duties at our HQ in Kennington, London, SE11 4AB. Suit all ages 16 and over. Lunch is provided and fares will be refunded. Please contact Elizabeth Foody on 020 7091 7091 or email: lizfoody@spuc.org.uk.

Pilates with Mary

In St Joseph's Parish Hall, on Wednesdays: 10.15-11am. For info email: marycoconnor15@gmail.com.



International Mass & Family Day Sunday 10th September: 1pm-6pm

Mass at 12.30pm will include multilingual prayers and readings to celebrate our wonderfully diverse parish. Food from around the world and games start at 1pm in the Salvatorian College, followed by a concert at 4pm. If you would like to contribute, please contact the Parish Office on: 020 8427 1955. **In particular, we need donations of gifts for raffle prizes or tombola prizes.** Please take a flyer from the back of the church.

Form Signing

During the school holidays, the usual times for form signing are suspended. In an emergency, please speak to the priest after one of the weekday Masses.

Offertory Collection: 30th July £1,610. Many thanks

Planned Giving

Please consider joining one of our Planned Giving Schemes either by using weekly envelopes or setting up a Direct Debit payment. **If you are a UK Taxpayer and wish to Gift Aid your donation, please contact the Parish Office. Your support is both needed and appreciated.**

Recently Deceased

Joseph Olaniyi Efunshile (Bicester). Funeral: Friday 11th August at 10.00am followed by burial at Carpenders Park Cemetery.

Patrick Joe McHale (husband of Ethna). Funeral: Monday 14th August at 10.00am followed by burial at Carpenders Park Cemetery.

Moira Humphrey (sister of Cheryl Wharton). Funeral will take place in Cornwall.

Eileen Power (late of St Joseph's parish) Funeral: Sacred Heart Church, Bushey, on Monday 7th August at 10.00am.

May they rest in peace.

Ministers of Communion Rota

6th Sat 18.00 Gerry 8.15 Oke Agboro 9.30 **Minister Req** 11.00 Pam Singh, Maurice Correa 12.30 Gertrude Simpungwe **13th Sat** 18.00 Albertina 8.15 **Minister Req** 9.30 **Minister Req** 11.00 Maurice Correa 12.30 Lily McGloin.

Readers' Rota

6th Sat 18.00 (Fay) Sr Catherine, Sr Vui 8.15 E Arjune, S Padden 9.30 **Reader Req** 11.00 Margaret Nwamadi 12.30 Christine, Eileen Kinnear **13th Sat** 18.00 (Fay) Eileen 8.15 E Arjune, Sharon Padden 9.30 **Reader Req** 11.00 F Ejiofor 12.30 Liz Dennehy.