

Our Lady of Lourdes – Parish Newsletter

Sunday 19th February 2017 + 7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass TIMES: Sundays – 9.00am, 10.30am, 12.00pm and 6.00pm
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday – 7.00am and 10.00 am
Wednesday, Friday, Saturday – 10.00am and 7.00pm
Saturday – 10.00am, 12.00pm and 7.00pm – Vigil
Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 10.30am, 12.30pm and 6.00pm

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Vigil Mass Saturday 18th February

7.00pm: Rose Francis (RIP); Roy East (A-RIP); Breda Roche (A-RIP); Jim Meere (A-RIP); Thanks giving for all graces received.

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9.00am: Ciara Maguire (RIP); Sarah Gibbons (RIP); Eileen Tresie (RIP); Tony & Mary Bull & Family (INT).
10.30am: Amaldina Cardozo (RIP); Peg Dowd (RIP); Bridie Savage (Health); Fr John ssc (Health).
12.00pm: Satyabhama Singh (RIP); Canon John McDonald (RIP); Ranjini Flint (B/day Int).
6.00pm: Maria-Ida, Isabel, José & José Abreu (RIP); Albino Macedo (RIP).

Monday 20th February: (feria, 7th week, Year 1)

7.00am: Fr John ssc (Health); Neasa & Larry Boyle & Family (Int).
10.00am: Terresa Ow (RIP); Kathy Byrne (Thanks Giving); Larry & Mary Doherty (INT).

Tuesday 21st February: (Feria)

7.00am: Mary & Michael Lynch (RIP); Brian & Teresa Naughton (RIP).
10.00am: Maggie Simeons (RIP); Sr Naomi Coffee rsc (RIP); Anne Lawlor (80th B/Day).

Wednesday 22nd February:

(THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE)

10.00am: Sheila O'Connor (RIP); Nora Egan (RIP); Jim McLaughlin (RIP); Veronica Money (RIP).
7.00pm: Mary & Mick Leonard (Int); Mary Donohue (Int); Sr Lena Moore rsm (Int); Kay & Anthony Doolan (Int); Treasa Kearney (Int).

Thursday 23rd February: (St Polycarp)

7.00am: Marty & Ann Kiernan (Int); Annie Crean (Int); Sean Crean (RIP).
10.00am: Tom Gilmartin (RIP); Bridie Flynn (A-RIP); James McLoghlin (RIP).

Friday 24th February: (feria)

10.00am: Souls in Purgatory; Sarah Gibbons (RIP).

7.00pm: Priests of the Parish

Saturday 25th February: (feria)

10.00am: Asras (Chuck) Ramnarain (RIP)
12.00pm: Francis Rodrigues (1st A/ RIP); Jim McLoghlin (RIP); Rosanna, Rosemarie & Families (Special Int).
7.00pm (Vigil): Danny Leonard (A-RIP); Teresa Leonard Lyons (A-RIP).

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Mary Lynch, Roy East, Breda Roche, Jim Meere, Bridie Flynn, Francis Rodrigues, Danny Leonard and Teresa Leonard Lyons.

We pray for those who have died recently: Pat Davidson, Carmela Romano, Sarah Gibbons, Jimmy McLoughlin, Asraf (Chuck) Ramnarain, Veronica (Ronnie) Money and Ciara Maguire.

We remember those that are sick in hospital, undergoing treatment or convalescing, including: Ronan Green, Nuala Griffin, John McCann, Chris O'Leary, Fr John Leahy ssc, Angela Nurse, Tom Mythen, Fionn Anderssen (aged 3), Beryl Bashford, Shirley Thomas.

Collections

The collection last weekend (12th February 2017) was £1,712.69 with approx. £800 in standing orders. The second collection for Racial Justice was £727.40. **Many Thanks for your generosity**



Did you know the parish is staffed by priests from the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary (sscc). As members of a Religious Order they live in community, unlike Diocesan Priests. The order requires that three or more live (where possible) in community. That is why we have four priests working in our parish presently.



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Year A Readings

The first reading, from the book of Leviticus, hears God's call to his people to live lives of holiness, honesty and forgiveness.

The second reading – St Paul reminds the Corinthians that each

one of them is a dwelling place of God and together they are called to become more and more like Jesus Christ to whom they all belong.

The Gospel – Jesus gives the disciples a new and radical standard to aim for of loving kindness and mercy when being mistreated. The disciple cannot seek revenge however justified it might seem but must instead treat others as God, who is perfect, wishes them to be treated. (Synopsis Intercom)

Announcements

Mass for Bereaved Parents on Saturday 11th March at 2.30pm, Westminster Cathedral. Bishop Paul McAleenan will celebrate a Mass for bereaved parents. During Mass, after the homily, parents will be invited to write the name of their deceased child on a card and the cards will be taken along with the offertory to the sanctuary.

Tea & Coffee – After the 9.00am and 10.30am masses today. Please do come along everyone is welcome.

Quiz night – Wednesday 22nd February at the Grange, in Ealing Common in aid of Acton Homeless Concern. Organised by The Mayor of Ealing, Councillor Dr Patricia Walker. £10.00 per person. To find out more call 020 8825 8630 or see notice board at back of the church.

Baptism – The next preparation dates are 6th & 13th of March with the welcoming ceremony on 12th March and baptisms taking place on 26th March. Baptism Information is available at the back of the Church. Please note: The classes will take place at No 3 Berrymead Gardens.

“Encounter with living God” – Join Fr John Egan as he guides us in discovering that true personal encounter with the living God. The seminar starts Tuesday 21st February 7.30pm- 9pm and runs for 7 consecutive Tuesdays. Venue – Our Lady of the Visitation (Social Centre), 358 Greenford Road, Greenford, UB6 9AN. To book call 020 8578 1363

Members of our parish finance committee will be speaking at masses during the weekend of 25th and 26th February. The aim is to give you an overview of last year's parish finances and to explain the different ways you can give financially to the work of the parish. All of the people involved in looking after the parish finances give their expertise and time completely free of charge. Thank You.

DIocese of Westminster: Pilgrimage to Fatima led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols from Monday 24th – Thursday 27th April 2017. For more details call 020 7798 9173.

Confirmation – Our confirmation young adults head off on their sponsored Pilgrimage to Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 29th February to raise funds for Acton Homeless Concern. Please do sponsor one of the candidates if you can.

Virtus Lectures at Ealing Abbey- Stories of Oppression & Resilience on Tuesday 21st February at 7:30pm. ‘The Power of Narrative to Counter Prejudice and Hate’.

Speaker is Marina Cantacuzino from The Forgiveness Project. Cost is £10 per person with proceeds to The Forgiveness Project. Location is Ealing Abbey, Marchwood Crescent W5 2DZ.

SCRIPTURE TALKS – ‘Mark’s Gospel - A basic handbook for discipleship’ with Fr John Hemer. This series of talks consist of 6 self-contained lectures with participants welcome to attend all the series or some of the lectures. Where: Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN. When: 7.00-8.30pm. Dates: Mon 20th Feb 2017; Mon 13th Mar 2017; Mon 15th May 2017. Registration is required. Email at livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk. Please leave a voice message at 020 7931 6078. Donation £4.

You are invited to join the 7th Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by Bishop John Sherrington from the 31st October to 7th November 2017. See notice board for more information.

YOUTH SECTION

‘The present and the future of the Church’

Flame 2017: Flame 2017 is the largest National Catholic Youth event of the year, taking place in the SSE Wembley Arena on **Saturday 11 March 2017**. Check it out!!!!

Joel’s Bar 17: Joel’s Bar is a Catholic Charismatic youth conference that will be running in the lead up to Easter 2017.

Theology of the Body Symposium 19th April: The overall aim of this Symposium is to equip Catholic men and women to transform the culture with the Gospel of Life and Love, as we study and pray together and reach out to those around us.

Brightlights Unlimited – Festival on 23 June: Now going for over 20 years, Brightlights is an opportunity for young Catholics to come together – have fun, listen to awesome & engaging speakers, take part in interesting workshops, and hear some great bands & musical talent. All this with awesome times for prayer and encounter with the Sacraments!

More information on all these at <http://dowym.com/events/>
Lent is Coming: Lets Prepare well for Easter 2017

1st March is Ash Wednesday: Remember it is a day of Fast and Abstinence and a great opportunity to express our faith. Masses, with distribution of ashes, at 7am, 10am and 7pm. Don’t forget Lent is 40 days of preparation, not a month!! Remember too that our celebration after Lent lasts for 50 days (called the Easter Season), and is not just one day!

Lent Stations of the Cross: Will take place every Wednesday at 3pm during Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday. Please do consider joining in this very appropriate ‘way of the cross’ in anticipation of Easter. Booklets will be provided. Do encourage a friend!

17th March 2017: Is the feast day of St Patrick. After the 10am mass, we hope once again to have a cake sale with tea and coffee in aid of the missions. This year we will divide the money raised between a Sacred Hearts Community (SSCC) project run by our brothers in India (that looks after young adults) and a project run by a Divine Word Missionary (SVD) priest that cares for the poor living among the graves and tombs of the old Chinese cemetery

in Cebu, Philippines. Like last year, we hope to be able to show you pictures on the day of these two projects. If you can help us in any way to make this a success please let Freda or Fr Bala know. All are welcome. Many thanks in advance.

