

Our Lady of Lourdes – Parish Newsletter

Sunday 19th March 2017 + 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT



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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 March

7.00pm (Vigil): Angela Louise Soloman (RIP); Nora O'Brian (A-RIP).

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9.00am: Eileen Threshire (RIP); Desiree Abella Sutton (1ST A – RIP); Patsy O'Brian (B/day); Joan Bernard (INT).

10.30am: Mary Corr (RIP); Kate Keane (A-RIP); Terence & Magdalene Gittens (56th Ann).

12.00pm: Cecilia & Bernard Low (A-RIP); Ramya (Health); Patrick Allen (Health).

6.00pm: Fr John Leahy ssc (Health); Julie Fernandes (Thanksgiving)

Monday 20th March: (ST JOSEPH, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of the Diocese)

7.00am: Adel Small (RIP); Sr Magda mms (B/day).

10.00am: Jean Lewis (RIP); Fr Andrew (RIP); Fr John Leahy.

Tuesday 21st March: (Lent feria)

7.00am: Joe Clerkin (Health).

10.00am: Maggie Simeons (RIP); José Sebastian Faleiro (RIP); John Faleiro (INT).

Wednesday 22nd March: (Lent feria)

10:00am: Walter (RIP); Fr John Leahy ssc (Health); Gill Rodrigues & Family (INT).

7.00pm: Fr Paul Maher (RIP); Peter Turner (Health); Richard (INT).

Thursday 23rd March: (Lent, feria)

7.00am: Thanksgiving. Veronica Alaneme (INT).

10.00am: Holy Souls. Milly Pereira (RIP); Gladys Braganza (INT); Mary Reddin (INT).

Friday 24th March: (Lent, feria)

10.00am: Michael Curtin (RIP); Deceased members of the O'Dwyer Family; Alice Taylor (12th A-RIP).

7.00pm: Edward Brogan (RIP); James O'Donoghue (RIP); Fr John Leahy ssc (Health).

Saturday 25th March: (THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD)

10.00am: Cyllan Charles (A-RIP); Bridget Dowda Williamson (RIP); Pauline Heavy & Family (INT).

12.00pm: Holy Souls. Satyabhama Singh (RIP).

7.00pm (Vigil): Margaret Mullins (A-RIP); Kitty Burke (RIP).

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including: Nora O'Brian, Desiree Abella Sutton, Kate Keane, Cyllan Charles, Danny Doyle, Cecilia & Bernard Low, Margaret Mullins

We pray for those who have died recently: Asraf (Chuck) Ramnarain, Ciara Maguire, Natalia Galloni, , Fr Brendan McGlynn oco, Bernard Chow Angela Louise Soloman and Michael Curtin

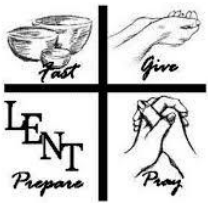
We remember those that are sick in hospital, undergoing treatment or convalescing, including: Fr John Leahy ssc, Tom Mythen, Margaret O'Donnell, Fionn Anderssen (aged 3), Beryl Bashford, Shirley Thomas, Eileen Rocks, Mary Hannon, Peter Turner, Patrick Allen, Joe Clerkin and Marian Campbell.

Collections

The collection last weekend 26th February was offertory envelopes £980.55, loose plate £1,074.63 totalling £2,055.18 with approximately £800 in standing orders.

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.



3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings

The first reading, from the book of Exodus, describes the thirst of the liberated people of Israel on their desert journey.

The second reading, from St Paul to the Romans, portrays the love of God like a river flowing into human hearts.

The Gospel of John tells the story of the Samaritan woman to whom the Lord gifted the waters of eternal life. (Synopsis Intercom)

Announcements

Lent is Here: Lets Prepare well for Easter 2017

Please note: No flowers to be left in the Church for the season of Lent, Thank you.

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!

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



Acton Homeless Concern requires from April a new Treasurer – you must come from a

background in bookkeeping or accountancy. This is a Volunteer position. If you would like to know more please call 07710282753 for an informal chat. **Also volunteers needed for Acton Homeless Concern:** Can you spare a few hours a week to help? If you would like to know more please give Ian or Kim a call 020 8992 5768.

Baptism - The next preparation dates are 3rd & 10th of April, start time is 7.30pm, with the welcoming ceremony on 9th April. Baptisms taking place on 30th April. Information is available at the back of the Church. Please note: The classes will take place at No 3 Berrymead Gardens.

The offertory envelope box sets for 2017-18 Start on Sunday 2 April 2017. If you have been donating by envelope or have recently requested to receive a box set, your brand new box will be ready for collection from this weekend until Sunday 2nd April. You will find them in the Church, War Memorial side chapel. Thank you.

The second collection next weekend – 26th March will be for the Cardinal's Appeal Lenten Alms. Envelopes are available at the back of church today. Please take one and read about this important Appeal, which helps fund evangelisation programmes, marriage and family life promotional efforts, and our presence in charitable works and service in society, especially among those on the margins. Please make the Cardinal's Appeal part of your Lenten Almsgiving. Thank you for your generosity.

Furniture Needed- For young Mother and Child who are moving into an empty flat, if you can help please contact the Parish office, many thanks.

Come and See - becoming a Permanent Deacon. Men wanting to know more about the permanent diaconate are invited to come to a two hour meeting at St Edward the Confessor, 700 Finchley Rd, Golders Green, NW11 7NE on Saturday 25th March from 10am to 12. Wives welcome.

Contact details Deacon Adrian Cullen 07961 594725 or Deacon Anthony 07545 373548.

Vacancies: Parish Administrator - Our Lady of Lourdes, Acton: A Parish Administrator is required to provide administrative support to the parish team. The successful applicant will ideally be a Secretary PA or Administrator with substantial experience in office organisation. Must be a good team player with excellent communication and Microsoft office skills, including Word and Excel. It is important that you are self-motivated, organised, can multi task and work to deadlines. **Hours of work:** 20 - 25 hours per week. **Salary:** £11-£14 per hour (neg) **Closing date:** Monday 26th March 2017. To apply for this vacancy, please visit <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/>

1st Holy Communion Parents: Just to remind you that parents are asked to attend at least 4 meetings out of the 8 offered. There are two meetings for Communion parents next week at 7.30pm in the Hall. On Tuesday 21st March there is a workshop on the Mass, and on Thursday 23rd March we will be watching a dvd about Communion. We look forward to seeing you at one of these meetings.

Day for the Lord – For 24 hours St Patrick's, 21A Soho Square will be open with continual Eucharistic Adoration and the availability of the Sacrament of Confession. It starts at midday on Friday the 24th March and finishes on Saturday the 25th March at 12noon with Mass for The Annunciation of the Lord. Please take an opportunity to come and visit and to pray.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Takes place on July 23rd – 29th July 2017. If you are interested in going please see Deacon Tito for more details

Family Bible: Old Illustrated Family Bible in excellent condition if you are interested please call the Parish office.

YOUTH SECTION

'The present and the future of the Church'

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 others.



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 times for prayer and encounter with the Sacraments! See notice at the back of Church for more information or visit <http://dowym.com/events/>

Nursery Applications for September 2017 St. Vincent's Catholic School - Application forms for admission to Nursery for September 2017 are currently available from the School website or from the School Office at St. Vincent's Catholic School, 1 Pierrepont Road, Acton, W3 9JR.. **The deadline for submitting applications is 2.30pm on Friday 31st March 2017.**



Next Sunday 26th March - Marks the start of British Summer Time and clocks will go forward by one hour, don't forget it's also Mothering Sunday!