PRAY FOR THE SICK



Lately dead:

- Irene De Freitas.
- Cecilia Fernandez.
- Allen Charles
- Maura McDonald (Johnson).

May they rest in peace

Anniversaries:

Donald Copping, Hannah Waite, Elizabeth Bermingham, Mary Snares, James Farrell, Patricia Kalinaukas, Michael O'Neill. Winnie McLaughlin. Veronica Boe, John Burnham, Francesco Faccini, Ferrucio Pieropan, Lotte O'Neill, Louis Ah-Lim, Kathleen Stokes, Mary Chappell, Georgine Easter, Sister Patrick Moriarty, Eileen Godber.

Church Services timetable

All our services are live streamed

Monday & Wednesday

Open for 10am Mass

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8am Mass no public live streamed ONLY and recorded

Saturday

Open for Mass at 10am & 6pm Booking required

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/saturday-10am-mass-reservation-tickets-145443083177 - Saturday 10am

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/ e/124524627513 - Saturday Evening Mass

Sunday

Open for Mass at 9am & 11am Mass at 11am will be recorded

Booking required

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/ e/124234894915 - Sunday Masses

Remember

Keep safe – keep others safe

Please wear a facemask, sanitise your hands, observe appropriate distancing & follow the instructions of the Stewards



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Fifth Sunday of Lent (B) 21st March 2021

In today's Gospel Jesus shows us the value of love and sacrifice as we journey towards the kingdom of God.

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Jeremiah reminds us of the Lord's "new covenant" with his people.

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:7-9

Christ submits humbly to suffering and, having been made perfect, becomes the source of our salvation.

Gospel

John 12:20-33

Jesus prays to God his Father that his "hour" will be for the glory of God.

Responsorial Psalm

A pure heart create for me, O God.



Welcome back!

We welcome you back to a shining clean church. Just the carpet awaits a thorough bath when all the work is complete. You will admire the look of the new heating system. At present it is providing only background heat. In addition the windows will be open. We are told that ventilation is the essential protection and more important than cleaning all surfaces. Still we do both. But just a reminder to come well wrapped-up.

Holy Week

We have received instructions from Rome – no less – telling us what we must not do in our Holy Week liturgies. There must be no processions and no singing. I shall miss the drum next Sunday. Instead we will use our imaginations. From the sanctuary the priest will read the Gospel of the excited people pulling down palm branches to honour Jesus. Picture a sunny day on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem. Imagine Jesus riding the donkey down the hill and up into Jerusalem. Quickly then the cheering Hosannas turn to the cry of Crucify him as we hear the Passion of the mass.

Maundy Thursday

At the mass of the Last Supper there is to be no ceremonial washing of feet. No procession as the meal ends and the apostles go off the garden of Gethsemane. Normally we go with them and stay till midnight praying with Jesus in his agony. There will be space to remain at the end of mass to meditate with him. For this and all the liturgies we will just be grateful to be back in church. The Holy Spirit is with us and in us and we can pray using memories of former years.

Telco

Despite the pandemic our Telco group has been active. On Tuesday they are meeting Robert Jenrick Secretary of State for Housing. They will be putting pressure on him to provide affordable housing. Our Parish group is taking regular care of the Syrian family housed by them in Charteris Rd. With others they have secured vaccine for all homeless, and housing guaranteed during the lockdown. The next question is: What happens postlockdown? Our parish needs to keep this work going. Telco provides a rare opportunity for us to make a difference.

Lenten Lunches

Following the success of our virtual Lenten Lunch a few weeks ago, we



would love you to join us for another one before Easter. This will be a Zoom Lunch on Tuesday 30th March between 12.15 and 1.30pm. Please come along with

your bowl of soup or anything else you fancy. The details are:

https://us02web.zoom.us/ j/84867193819? pwd=alQ1VWVILzJBWjArZm0yaDdsa2 M1UT09

Meeting ID: 848 6719 3819 Passcode: 953335

Of course our regular charity Mary's Meals will miss out on our fundraising this year but if you would like to contribute to their funds, their details can be found on their website, www.marysmeals.org.uk. - they would be very grateful for any contributions.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 22nd March

People of the parish Michael Carrig RIP Esther Sheahan

Monday 23rd March

Carmel & Denis Cork anniversary John Martin RIP Victor Mould RIP

Tuesday 24th March

Allen Charles RIP Sean McLoughlin intentions

Wednesday 25th March

John Burnham anniversary Gerard Gillham RIP Christina Ryan sick

Thursday 26th March

Sr Maureen Delaney RIP Joan Bright RIP Trinity intentions

Friday 27h March

Funeral Nora Hunt-Terry Kay Stokes anniversary John Gayer very ill

Saturday 28th March

Ron Monk RIP Alan Jennings RIP David Shaw RIP

Sunday 29h March

People of the parish Gerard Gillham RIP Liz Browne RIP



Trinity School Vacancy

Fixed Term SEN TA, Please visit the School website for more information.

Photographer

A parishioner is looking for a photographer for their child's baptism. If anyone can assist please let us know.

Flower Pots

The flower pots at the church entrance are in need of some tender love and care. If you can assist please let us know.



Vocation Café

Information and friendship exchange for catholic young adults (20s & 30s) living & working in Greater London and for those visiting our city.

https://www.facebook.com/ groups/4268113687/ permalink/10159143868093688/? sfnsn=scwspmo

Friary Tennis Club

We have two good courts and a clubhouse in the Friary Gardens. If you are itching to get more exercise, why not join us - email ftcwoodford@gmail.com for details.

Tennis, with appropriate Covid precautions, will restart on Monday 29th March.