



St. Raphael's Church

Catholic Parish Church & Chaplaincy to Kingston University

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16th March 2014 The 2nd Sunday of Lent (A) Psalter Week II

9.30am Family Mass Mrs. Patricia Van der Linden RIP
11.30am Sung Mass Theresa Campbell
5.00pm Quiet Mass The People of the Parish
4.00pm Stations of the Cross

Mon. 17th March St. Patrick
10.00am Bob Gilmour RIP
Tue. 18th March Lenten Feria
10.00am Misiewicz Family
07.30pm Priest's Intention
Wed. 19th March St. Joseph
09.15am Michael (St. Joseph's School)
12.00 noon Fr. Austin Daly & Jim Daly RIP
(Followed by Our Lenten Hunger Lunch)
Thu. 20th March Lenten Feria
10.00am David Morrell
(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.20am to 12 noon)
Fri. 21st March Lenten Feria
(Mass preceded by Stations of the Cross at 9.00am)
10.00am Sidney Cudmer RIP
(A day of abstinence when Catholics must abstain from eating meat)
Sat. 22nd March Lenten Feria
10.00am The McCarthy & White Families

23rd March 2014 The 3rd Sunday of Lent (A) Psalter Week III

9.30am Family Mass The Mollentze & Humphreys Families
11.30am Sung Mass The People of the Parish
5.00pm Quiet Mass Alice & Edward James Barnes
4.00pm Stations of the Cross



Tea and Coffee is served in Alexander House after the morning Masses on Sunday and the lunchtime Mass on Wednesday. Please join us and say hello!

If you would like a Sanctuary Lamp to burn night and day before the Blessed Sacrament either for yourself, a loved one or for a special intention please contact either the Parish Office or the sacristan.

The Recommended donation is £5.

The Lamps this Week are burning for

Terezinha Machad De Oliveira RIP



We remember in prayer the sick and housebound of the Parish. We also pray for the medical profession and all carers.

Thank you for last Sunday's Collection
£619.00 loose + £274.00 Gift Aid
= £893.00

Confessions

Sundays -

9.00am - 9.20am,
11.00am - 11.20am,
4.30pm - 4.50pm

Saturdays -

10.30am - 11.00am.

And at other times by reasonable request

HOSPITAL: If you, or a member of your family are admitted to Kingston Hospital you need to inform ward staff that you are Roman Catholic and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain, Fr. Eze. If you need the Sacrament of the Sick at home, please speak to Fr. Kevin.

The Rosary Is recited

Monday - Saturday before Mass



Parish Diary

MONDAY

St. Patrick's Day Celebration at Margaret Dixon's Home
See p.2

TUESDAY

Parish Priest's Surgery
5.30pm - 7.00pm
The Parish Office

Pilates

7.00pm - 8.30pm
Alexander House

Lenten Evening Mass 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY

Mass at St. Joseph's School
9.15am

Church Cleaning
Before Mass

Parent & Children's Group
9.45am - 11.30am
Alexander House

Hunger Lunch after Mass
Alexander House

THURSDAY

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

from after Mass until
Benediction 12 noon
Praying for Vocations.

FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross
9.00am

Visit from year 2 from St. Joseph's School 10.30am

SATURDAY

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions.
10.30am - 11.00am

1st Holy Communion Classes
10.30am - 12 noon
Alexander House

SUNDAY

Kingston Breakfast Run in aid of our Lenten Project see p.2

Gifts from the Holy Land Sale after all Masses see p.2

Children's Liturgy during
9.30am Mass

Tea & Coffee Alexander House after the morning Masses

Stations of the Cross
4.00pm

St. Joseph's Our Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher - Mrs Frances Robertson

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Boys & Girls Aged 3-11.

Breakfast Club from 8.00am. After School Club until 6.00pm

LENT 2014

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Sunday at 4.00pm. and Friday at 9.00am

TUESDAY EVENING MASS

Ideal for workers at 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY – THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

This Wednesday is the feast of St. Joseph and the 1st anniversary of the inauguration of Pope Francis' Pontificate. Please remember the Holy Father in your prayers on that day.

St. Joseph is the patron of our Primary School and we shall have an additional Mass at 9.15am at the school on that day, to which everyone is invited.

'If discouragement overwhelms you, think of the faith of Joseph, if anxiety has its grip on you, think of the hope of Joseph, that descendant of Abraham who hoped against hope; if exasperation or hatred seizes you, think of the love of Joseph, who was the first man to set eyes on the human face of God.' (Pope Benedict)

GIFTS FROM THE HOLY LAND

A missionary group from 'Bethlehem Nativity' will visit us next Sunday, 23rd March to briefly talk about the Holy Land and sell religious articles made from olive wood from the Holy Land in aid of poor Christian families there. Please come into the hall after Mass and have a look.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL

Could your son be a Chorister? There are informal voice trials for Catholic boys age 8+ (Year 4) on Wednesdays 19th & 26th March. Becoming a chorister offers boys the opportunity to sing both in Central London and on tour internationally, in one of the world's great choirs. Choristers also receive a first-rate academic education at one of London's leading prep schools. See the poster in the narthex for more details

BORN FOR THIS

Born For This, presented by Southwark Catholic Youth Service and the Order of the Carmelites in partnership with Catholic Secondary Schools. An excellent musical Lenten reflection suitable for all ages.

Aylesford Priory - Saturday 5th April, 6pm.

St. George's Cathedral - Sunday 6th April, 7:30pm.

Free Admission, please see poster in the porch for more details.

POPE FRANCIS ON GOING TO CONFESSION

"Forgiveness is not something we can give ourselves... One asks forgiveness of another person, and in Confession, we ask forgiveness from Jesus." "Even embarrassment is good. It is healthy to have a bit of shame... It does us good, because it make us more humble." "**Don't be afraid of Confession,**" Pope Francis stresses. "When someone is in line for Confession he feels all these things - even shame - but when he finishes Confessing, he leaves feeling free, great, beautiful, forgiven, clean, happy!" "When I go to Confession, it is for healing, because of something I did to make me unwell."

REPOSITORY SHOP

Our Repository Shop is now open in Alexander House. We have a wide selection of Holy Communion cards and gifts. Come along after Mass and have a look!

OUR 2014 LENTEN PROJECTS

Mary's Meals & The Kingston Foodbank.

If you have not already done so, please take home one of the Lenten Collection Boxes to collect your loose change.

TOTAL RAISED TO DATE

£321.63 = A WEEK'S WORTH OF MARY'S MEALS FOR 64 CHILDREN!

Thank you to all those who provided supper and helped with last Sunday's Bingo and Lasagne Night. £274.05 was raised. Our 1st Hunger Lunch raised £45.00. Again many thanks to the person who supplied the soup and those who helped on the day.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Céad Míle Fáilte – Monday 17th March

All are welcome to celebrate St. Patrick's Day at Margaret Dixon's home, 40 Fassett Road, for Irish coffee & homemade Irish treats from 10.00am till 2.00pm.

Kingston Breakfast Run – Sunday 23rd March

Wayne Mooney & Declan Dixon are planning to do the Whole Foods Market Kingston Breakfast Run (8.2 miles) next Sunday, 23rd March to raise funds for the Lenten Project. If you would like to sponsor them, donation envelopes are attached to this week's newsletter. Please hand these in with your weekly collection, or to the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Mothers Day Cake Sale - Sunday March 30th

Calling all bakers. Can you bake something for our cake sale? If so please bring your contribution along before either the 9.30 or 11.30 mass on Sunday 30th or ring Sheila for alternative arrangements. If you can help with selling the cakes on the day, after either of the masses please contact, for 9.30am Mass, Kate on 07757 031310, or for 11.30am Mass, Sheila on 07970 212761.

Film Night - ('Karol' a biography of John Paul II)

– Saturday 12th April

Quiz Night - Sunday 6th April

Tickets are now available for our famous Quiz Night, and will be on sale after the Sunday masses, or from the Parish Office. This is a very popular event but we have a limited amount of tickets, so book early to avoid disappointment! Adults £7.00 Children £5.00

Teams should consist of no more than 8 people. Come as a team or join a team on the night.

A selection of breads and cheeses will be provided for each table, but feel free to bring your own snacks and drinks. Wine will be available for a donation.

If you have any suitable items that can be used as raffle prizes please take them to the office. All contributions will be gratefully accepted.

Hunger Lunch's

A simple lunch of soup and bread every Wednesday after the 12.noon Mass in Alexander House. Suggested donation of £3.00 would be gratefully received.

Alexander House

Our Parish Hall is available for rent for children's parties baptism parties, meetings and other events. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.