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This is the year when a new Translation of the Mass will be used in all the churches of the English speaking world. A 3rd edition of the Latin missal was published in 2002 and it has taken this long to come to an agreed Translation that can be used throughout the English speaking world. There are some new saints added to the Missal, and some new feasts. How will this Translation affect us? You will notice right away some of the responses we make at Mass will be different. We have been given the opportunity to begin using this Translation from September this year and the new Translation will be mandatory from the First Sunday of Advent.

I think that the introduction of the New Translation of the Missal is a wonderful opportunity for us as a parish and as a diocese to reflect together on how we celebrate Mass here, and this year is a time when we can deepen our understanding of how important the Mass is in our lives.

Pope John Paul II wrote "The Eucharist as Christ's saving presence in the community of the faithful and its spiritual food, is the most precious possession which the Church can have in her journey through history." Do we see this as a precious possession and how do we treat this most precious possession?

The new missal will be published by the Catholic Truth Society and is in preparation now. At the beginning of the Missal there is the General Instruction. This was translated in April 2005 and was made available for us to study. This is the official guide to how Mass should be celebrated. Some of

you might remember we held some evening sessions for our Kingston Deanery entitled "With Hearts and minds - reflections on our participation in the Mass" four years ago. If you wish to prepare yourselves there are a series of three Thursday evenings at the Christian Education

Centre, Tooting Bec entitled "Preparing to Welcome the New Translation." The dates are 3rd February "Exploring the context", 10th February "Examining the content" and 17th February "Experiencing the Celebration" from 7pm till 9pm. The nearest station is Tooting Bec. Please ring 0208 672 7684 and book yourself a place.



At our next Liturgy Committee Meeting we will decide what catechesis we can provide in the parish and what form that will take. Any ideas are very welcome. In the meantime, there are several places on the internet that will give you more information. You can look up www.liturgyoffice.org.uk and the USA bishops website www.usccb.org/roman missal and www.liturgy.nd.edu which provides some Web catechesis.

Pope Benedict said to the bishops before he left the UK last September "I encourage you to seize this opportunity that the new translation offers for in-depth catechesis on the Eucharist and renewed devotion to the manner of its celebration. The more lively the Eucharistic faith of the people of God, the deeper is its sharing in ecclesiastical life in steadfast commitment to the mission entrusted by Christ to his disciples".

Anthony Charlton

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 29th/30th January 2011
Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

Sat 6.30pm Patrick McCabe RIP (Joe Friel)
 Sun 9am People of the Parish
 11am Nora Keane RIP (Mary Taylor)
 12.30pm **Baptisms: Jerome Leander Albrecht**
 6pm Mary McGann RIP (Family)

Daily Masses 31st January to 5th February 2011

Mon St John Bosco, priest
 7am Holy Souls
 9.30am James Clifford RIP & Family (Family)

Tues Feria
 7am Una Walsh RIP
 9.30am Special Intention (Catherine Horricks)
 2pm Mothers Prayers

Wed The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ
 7am Holy Souls
 9.30am Patricia Moore RIP (Anthony Moore)

Thur Feria
 7am Private Intention (Christine Edwards)
 9.30am Flavel Hutchinson (Verna Hutchinson)

Fri Feria
 7am Holy Souls
 9.30am Bridie Fillmore RIP (Rosemary Durkin)
 10am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat Feria
 9am Susie Grealy RIP

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 5th/6th February 2011
Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

Sat 6.30pm David Doyle RIP (Therese & Chris Dunne)
 Sun 9am People of the Parish
 11am Joaquim De Mello RIP (De Mello Family)
 12.30pm **Baptisms: Leonardo and Luciano Latif**
 6pm Colin Annals (Frank McGivern)

Last week's Offertory collection

(for the upkeep of the church) £1,976

Aid to the Church in Need £1,430

We thank you for your continued generosity



We welcome into the Church Robert Pajor & Gus Samuel Lockermarsh, who were baptised last weekend.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
(CONFESSIONS)
Saturdays 9.30am-10am and 5.30pm-6pm

READINGS:

This Week: 4th Sunday in OT (A)

First Reading Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Seek integrity and humility as the way of the Lord.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

God chooses those who are weak by human reckoning.

Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

The blessings of the Lord are for those who follow his ways.

Next Week: 5th Sunday in OT (A)

First Reading Isaiah 58:7-10

The Lord instructs us to share bread with the hungry and shelter the homeless. If we act with mercy our light will rise in the darkness.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Paul writes that he did not come to the Corinthians with great skills in oratory or philosophy. He was filled with the power of the Spirit to share news of the crucified Christ.

Gospel Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus tells his disciples that they are the salt of the earth, the light of the world and a city built on a hilltop. He encourages his disciples to keep God's light in their lives so that others may see and praise God.

We pray for all the faithful departed who have recently died. We pray especially for **Margaret West** whose funeral is taking place at Randalls Park on Tuesday, **Joachim De Mello, Margaret Hague, Claude Bosset, Bridie Fillmore and Gerard Murphy**. We pray for all those who mourn and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. We remember all our sick and elderly parishioners, those in hospital, the housebound and those who care for them; Bishop Michael Evans, Mary McDonnagh, Patrick Leightley, Fr Simon Peat, Baby Thomas Haley, Desolina Cavazzi, Anna Maria Maini, Veronica Heaton, Maureen Wilson, Bernard Mead, James Austin, Elizabeth Joège, Joan Lancaster, Stephen Fleming, Francis Nazareth, Sergio Della Grotta, Marie Bast, John Ingrassci, Baby Patrick Ferris, George Matthew, Odile Froger, Clint Samson, Jenny Sathirasegaram, Ann McNicol, Eileen Rosenberg, Bridget McNally, Brenda Flaherty, Rowan Wolsgrove, Marcus Bird, Charles Thurley, Sandra Burlinson, Sophie Burrige, Sam Hitchin, Rene Boffa, Richard Manche, Nicky Bushell, Shirley Enright, Tom Tyler, Baby Finn Jordan, Margaret Inskip, Giancarlo Palermo, John Gleeson, Fr Peter Sprague, Mary Linstead, Evan Day, Eva Hansford, Jeffrey D'Cruz, George Hayes, Michael Hoskins, Michael Byrne, Martin Dray, Kay Bridgland, Seema Day, Graham Taylor, Freda Sirmon, Samantha Nosalik, Manual Pillai, Fay Kearney, Richard Trutwein, Winna Duncan, Jennifer McIntyre, Carl Williams, Bridie O'Driscoll, Christine Keane, Josephine Bull, Vic Carrion, Norma Latham, Mary Bastiampillai and Philip Rajanayagam

HELP!!

We desperately need volunteers to add to the rota for cleaning the church. This requires you and a friend to spare 2 hours every 6 to 12 weeks, and the more volunteers we get, the longer the period.

Our existing helpers are not getting any younger and if numbers diminish, then it will mean we will have to pay to have this work done.

So, please, step forward and give your details to one of the priests, or to Elaine in the Presbytery, or telephone 020 8241 0879.

Thank you.

LENTEN PROJECT 2011

WANTED FOR TABLE TOP SALE – YOUR UNWANTED GOODIES!

Have you items - gifts – chocs – toys that are 'over' after Christmas?

Could we sell them, or use them as raffle prizes, at events to raise money for the Lenten Project this year? If so – ring 020 8397 7733 to arrange collection.

The Table Top Sale involves new and nearly new items and this year we hope to expand even further the type of items for sale.

Full details of all events planned so far will be published shortly – meanwhile make a note – **Sunday 27th March** for the **Table Top Sale**.

Want to go to Lourdes 27 May – 3 June?

Would you or anyone you know like to join the 2011 pilgrimage of the **Society of Our Lady of Lourdes**?

We expect to take about 80 sick, disabled or elderly pilgrims, who will be cared for in the fine, modern "Accueil Notre Dame" overlooking the river opposite the Grotto.

We particularly need priests, doctors, nurses, carers and helpers as well as ordinary "praying pilgrims".

For information see the notice in the porch or contact the Society at 020 8848 9833.

If enough want to go from Tolworth, transport to and from Stansted airport can be arranged.

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2011

Led by Archbishop Peter Smith

All are invited to join the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes which takes place from Friday 19th August to Friday 26 August 2011. Travel by Rail from £642 and by Air from £694 and by Coach £475. Young Helpers fare £455 (by coach). For more information and booking forms, please contact Deacon Michael Kennedy (Pilgrimage Director) at 4 Orbel Street, Battersea, London SW11 3NZ Tel: 07521 519482

Email: rcaspilgrim@btinternet.com

Tea and biscuits in the Old Chapel after 9am Mass today.
All are welcome. Face painting and books available for children.



Please come and join us!

WEBSITE UPDATES

- new page created on the website for new parishioners to the parish, along with a registration form to print off to add their details to the Parish' Database (Our Parish)
- More photos from Fr Anthony's 60th Birthday celebration

UCM

The Annual General Meeting will take place on Tuesday 1st February at 8 pm in the Old Chapel. Elections will be held for the new committee. Every member is invited to think of standing on the Committee.

ITEMS FOR SALE

2 single pine bed frames and 1 piano. All proceeds will go to our parish Lenten Project 2011. If you are interested in any of the items, please call Una on 07535 662287

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

There are still a number of rotas in the RDJ Room that have not yet been collected. If you have not yet picked up your copy, then please ensure you do so today. Thanks.

Our Lady Immaculate Church Parish Lenten Project



The Parish Lenten Project has now been running successfully for over 40 years. It was set up to give the parish a charitable focal point during Lent and give everyone in the parish the opportunity to take part in fund raising for third world projects.

Last year as a parish we raised an amazing £17,750 for the charities that we supported. This year we're hoping to match this or even raise more.

The Parish Lenten Project committee met in December to review and select charities for 2011. We would like to thank everyone who came along to the meeting and presented.

This year we opted to support the following six charities during Lent which begins on 9th March. The projects are:

Marie Ville Girls Home – Atchuveley Sri Lanka

Marie Ville Girls Home is in the grounds of St Theresa's High School (a large Government school for girls), run by the Convent of Our Lady of Lanka. There are just over 100 girls at the home - some are orphans as a result of the Tsunami and the war.

The convent requires Rs 3000 rupees per child per month (about £16 a month) to feed and provide lodgings for each girl. The convent grow most of their own vegetables in their own farm as well as relying on well wishers for support.

The home wants to expand the farm to include a poultry farm by renovating an old shed at an estimated cost of RS 100,000 (£600) and to purchase some dairy cows at an estimated cost of about Rs 40-50,000 each (£250-300 each).

Daughters of Mary and Joseph, Padre Rehabilitation Centre, Ahotokurom, Ghana

Padre Rehabilitation Centre has been going for 17 years and has two centres one for lepers and the other for individuals with disabilities. The centre started with a small group of mentally challenged babies and toddlers. These children have now grown and the centre requires a new day care centre to support these individuals.

The centre is hoping to build a block with a training room, washroom facilities and kitchen. They are also hoping to have six small guest rooms for visiting families. This would be a source of occupation for the mentally challenged young adults. The total cost for this project is £120,000 and it will include an eco-friendly water supply. Volunteers from the University of Limerick and from the UK will be involved in building and working with former centre leprosy sufferers, sharing and acquiring skills.

School feeding Programme of Maria Orsola Primary School, Samduri, Pakistan

Fr Tahor Aziz founded Maria Orsola Primary School in 2004 as there was no Christian primary school in the city of Samundri. The school is playing an important part to eradicate illiteracy, ignorance and poverty in the city. Christians in Samundri are very poor and many can't even provide their children with a daily meal. Many of the children go to school hungry and their parents are often unable to provide their children with a meal at noon.

The school feeding programme helps alleviate the hunger and a full stomach enables the children to concentrate and learn more. During the school holidays that last a total of four months the children do not receive a meal.

There are 152 children at the school and of these 89 are able to pay for the school meal while 63 students cannot afford to pay. It costs £35 a day to provide a meal for these 63 children.

The Philippine Christian Foundation (PCF), Philippines

On Pier 18 dumpsite in Vitas Tondo opposite the old Smokey Mountain dumpsite the Philippine Christian Foundation (PCF) has set up a daily feeding programme for 150 children ranging from one to six years of age who are suffering from first to third degree malnourishment.

Daily feeding programmes and regular vitamin supplements enable the children to combat malnutrition and all sorts of diseases and infections present in the area. The daily feeding programme is one of the most anticipated parts of the day for the children as they get to have a substantial and delicious meal unlike the scant and unhealthy meal they share with their family. The malnutrition rate has dropped to less than 50 per cent since the programme began. There are 700 students who receive daily meals and it costs Php 4,800 (approx £68) to provide one child with a daily meal during term time.

During the school year 2010-2011 PCF will be opening its new Container van School where children from the dumpsite community will receive a quality education.

Care and Repair Centre, Bethlehem, Palestine

Care and Repair is a day care centre project for the elderly with a Christian ethos but open to all. It serves the elderly that are left without a breadwinner and without care. Their vision is to extend a compassionate hand of support to isolated elderly women in Bethlehem. The project looks to give them access to services already available and extend the range of home based care to enhance their quality of life on a daily basis.

The charity would like us to help them support the day centre and its daily operation plus provide a place for social and recreational leisure to help the elderly overcome social isolation.

Medical Missionaries of Mary, Masaka Uganda

MMMs went to staff Kitovu Hospital, Masaka, Uganda in 1955. As the decades passed, one department after another was added to meet the growing needs, despite the often turbulent political conditions in the country. This included the complete evacuation of the hospital for a short time during the overthrow of the dictator, Idi Amin. Sr Helen Delany has asked us to help with the AIDS Outreach work that MMMs undertake. The sisters have established a permanent health centre, with outreach clinics around Masaka and they run an extensive community-based health programme and a pre-school for children, many of whom have become orphans through AIDS. HIV leaves people poor and often they don't have the energy to dig or plant their fields. Sister Delaney pays young men to farm their plots giving the families an income and hope. She also runs a skills training programme for young adults. She is looking for support to fund both these projects.

Throughout Lent the parish and OLI School will be running a series of fund raising events to support the Parish Lenten Project which has been running successfully for over 40 years. Aside please find the current calendar of events for 2011. Please put these dates in your diary and support these events because every contribution, no matter how small, makes a real difference.

If you would like to run an event then please contact the priests and/or Justine Manche on 07710 349871 or email: justine.manche@bt.com. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.



The Tolworth Tornadoes sponsored bike ride has become one of the highlights of the Lenten Project calendar. This is year Fr Anthony will be joining the team on their tour of the Surrey countryside. Numbers are limited but if you want to join the Tornadoes then please contact Justine Manche on 07710 349871 or email: justine.manche@bt.com.



Do You Need Help in the Home?

Experienced care-home worker (a local parishioner) is looking for home help work in the Tolworth/Surbiton areas. If you need help, then please call Bogumila Swiedrych on 07540 608468- Reasonable rates.

2011 EVENTS CALENDAR

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March 2011	
9 th March	ASH WEDNESDAY
Friday 11	
Saturday 12	
Sunday 13	
Friday 18	
Saturday 19	UCM cake sale
Sunday 20	UCM cake sale
Friday 25	
Saturday 26	
Sunday 27	Table Top Sale
April 2011	
Friday 1	
Saturday 2	
Sunday 3 Mother's Day	Fr Anthony & the Tolworth Tornadoes bike ride
Friday 8	
Saturday 9	OLI Charity Music Concert organised by Chris Jegathan
Sunday 10	
Saturday 16	Sri Lankan event
Sunday 17	PALM SUNDAY
Friday 22	GOOD FRIDAY
Saturday 23	HOLY SATURDAY
Sunday 24	EASTER SUNDAY
Saturday 30	South India Event

Poverty & Homelessness Action Week 2011 will run from 29 January to 6 February. 30 January is Homelessness Sunday and 6 February is Poverty Action Sunday.

This year's theme is 'Who Counts?' The 2011 census will try to list all of the people who live in the country – but chances are there are many it won't include - such as the 'hidden homeless' and destitute asylum-seekers. God's own son was born into poverty in a stable, in the year of a great census. Scripture tells us that in God's kingdom, "the least shall be the first". Does the way we live bear witness to this truth? Are we living in true solidarity with people who are poor, homeless and excluded?

Raise your voice and make sure that everyone is counted!