



OUR LADY IMMACULATE  
TOLWORTH

# Our Lady Immaculate Roman Catholic Church

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (Year C)

10th March 2019

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School: Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School + Headteacher: Mrs. Frances Robertson

### MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

#### SUNDAY MASSES

9th Sat Vigil	6.30pm	Martin Furey ( <i>Seamus &amp; Irene</i> )
10th Sun	9.00am	Vincent Ayamnde - RIP ( <i>M &amp; H Fox</i> )
	11.00am	
	6.00pm	Enrolment of <i>Confirmandi</i>

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

11th Mon	9.30am	Mary Trussler - RIP
12th Tues	9.30am	Bedson Family ( <i>A. Schwarz</i> )
	7.00pm	Deenama George ( <i>Lucy</i> )
13th Wed	9.30am	Maureen Houghton ( <i>A. Phillips</i> )
	7.00pm	
14th Thurs	7.00am	Liz & Ray Leory ( <i>Priscilla</i> )
	9.30am	
15th Fri	7.00am	Loretta McHugh - RIP ( <i>M. McHugh</i> )
	9.30am	
16th Sat	9.00am	

#### 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

16th Sat Vigil	6.30pm	Mary Langton & Mary Campbell ( <i>M. Campbell</i> )
17th Sun	9.00am	Verna Hutchinson & Family - Thanksgiving ( <i>Mrs. Jankowski</i> )
	11.00am	
	6.00pm	Joanna Zaks - RIP ( <i>K. Zacks</i> )

#### OTHER SERVICES

<b>Eucharistic Exposition</b>	Monday - Friday: 8.30am Saturday: After 9am Mass till 10am
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	Saturday: 9.30-10.00am & 5.30-6.15pm
<b>Novenas</b>	<b>St Anthony:</b> Tuesday after 9.30am & 7pm Masses <b>Perpetual Help:</b> Wednesday after 7pm Mass
<b>1st Sat of Month</b>	Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima

### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

During Lent, we're invited to deepen our commitment to our Lord as his missionary disciples, to live out anew, daily, the Lord's call to us on Ash Wednesday, "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." Of course we won't be able to respond to this invitation without encountering difficulties, temptations and sometimes tribulations. The encounter of Jesus with the devil in today's Gospel, therefore, offers us both encouragement and a challenge. It reassures us that we are never alone at moments of temptations and trials in our journey of faith - and in life. But it also challenges us to imitate Jesus' fidelity to the Father's will over and against the seductions of *power, wealth, and fame*. This is where the three disciplines of Lent - *prayer, fasting, and almsgiving or works of love* - come in very handy. They help us spiritually and practically to deal with the natural human inclinations to selfishness, self-sufficiency, and self-centeredness - the root cause of greed and avaricious craze for power, wealth and fame. As a result, they free us to strive to love of God above all else and love others for the sake of God. Like Jesus, we can always find inspiration and strength from Sacred Scriptures in our struggles against temptations. I know how busy and frenetic life can be in today's society. But I believe that, like Jesus, we can still find some quality time to read and meditate on a portion of Sacred Scriptures especially during this season of grace. Have a grace-filled Lent!

Father Ignatius

### REGULAR EVENTS IN THE PARISH

<b>Justice &amp; Peace Group</b>	Second Monday of the month at 7.45pm, except August and December <b>Next meeting:</b> 11th March ( <i>RDJ Room</i> )
<b>Knights of St Columba</b>	Every 3rd Monday at 4pm ( <i>RDJ Room</i> )
<b>Prayer Group</b>	Tuesday at 10.30am-12pm, except 1st Tuesday ( <i>RDJ Room</i> )
<b>Afternoon Tea and Chat</b>	2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 2pm ( <i>RDJ Room</i> )
<b>Union of Catholic Mothers</b>	Third Tuesday of the month except August at 7:30pm ( <i>Old Chapel</i> )
<b>St Vincent de Paul (SVP)</b>	First and third Wednesday at 7:45pm <b>Next meeting:</b> 20th March ( <i>Old Chapel</i> )
<b>Junior SVP</b>	1st and 3rd Sunday of the month before 6pm Mass ( <i>Old Chapel</i> )
<b>Library and SVP Coffee Morning</b>	3rd Sunday of the month after 9am Mass ( <i>Old Chapel</i> )
<b>The Kingston Franciscan Fraternity</b>	1st Saturday of the month at 3pm ( <i>Pastoral Centre</i> )

### SPECIAL LENTEN SERVICES

- Reconciliation Service:** Friday, 5 April at 7pm
- Last Seven Words on the Cross:** Friday, 12 April at 7pm.

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First reading	Genesis: 15:5-12,17-18
Second reading	Philippians 3:17-4:1
Gospel	Luke 9: 28-36

## PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE



Please remember in your prayers all those who have died, especially James Creigham (*dad of Karen Fox*), Maureen Houghton, John Matthew, and all those who mourn the loss of loved ones.



Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community: Vanessa Andrew, Arthur Bailey, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Pat Parker, Thomas Haley, Roisin Loftus, Eileen Pearce, Heather & George Turtwein, Yvonne Norman and Esme Mills

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

### LAST WEEKEND

Loose collection: £861.37

Gift-aid: £738.18

**Total: £1,599.55**

**2nd collection: poor parishes Total: £505.87**

## INFANT BAPTISM



Please contact the Parish Office for information pack & to register for the parents course.

**Current course:** 10 March, at 10am in the Old Chapel

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Congratulations to our FHC candidates on the celebration of their First Reconciliation on Saturday, 9 March.

## CONFIRMATION

### MASS OF ENROLMENT

We welcome all the Confirmation candidates to the 6pm Mass this Sunday for their formal enrolment into the Confirmation Programme.

## RCIA PROGRAMME

Congratulations to Amir Ghoreishi on his enrollment as candidate for admission into Full Communion by Archbishop Peter at St George's on Saturday, 9 March.



## FR CHRIS O'BRIEN

After many years of being associated with this parish, Fr Chris moved up north on Tuesday to be nearer to family and friends. He has sisters up there and many cousins, and with the care and attention his new home can provide him, he will be very well looked after. He was of course very sad to leave, but wanted to do so quietly, so we have accepted his wishes. His new address will be provided next weekend.

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

1. Monday-Friday after 9am Mass
2. Friday at 6pm (led by Syro-Malaba Community)

### FAMILY FAST DAY - 15th MARCH

CAFOD Family Fast Day this Lent is an opportunity to support our brothers & sisters around the world. On Friday 15 March, can you eat a simple meal in solidarity and give what you save to help people living in poverty? Please collect your Fast Day envelope from Church this week and give whatever you can.

### UCM AGM

Tuesday 20th March, followed by a discussion evening & raffle. Please think seriously about joining the committee.

### UPCOMING PARISH LENTEN PROJECT EVENTS

1. **Sri Lankan Evening** - Sat, 9th March 7:30pm-11:30pm

The evening includes Sri Lankan food & entertainment. Tickets: £10 adult £5 children ages 7-12 years old. Contact Joe at 0208 399 6491 or Antoinette at 07956891504

2. **'Tolworth Trekkers' Sponsored Walk** - Sat, 16th and Sun, 17th March

This year, over the weekend of 16 / 17 March, the Tolworth Trekkers are embarking on another epic 86 km (54 mile!!!) walk to raise money for the Lenten Project. On Saturday 16 March, we plan to walk from OLI Church over the Surrey Hills to Worth Abbey, Crawley. Then, on Sunday 17 March, we will retrace our steps, aiming to get back to Tolworth in time for Sunday Mass. Please contact Elspeth ([elspeth.casey@virginmedia.com](mailto:elspeth.casey@virginmedia.com)) if you are interested in taking part in the walk. If the distance seems too far, then please think about joining us for part of the walk.

3. **'Tolworth Tornadoes' Sponsored Bike Ride** - Sun, 17th March 6:30am start

In addition, the Tolworth Tornadoes have reformed and, led by Fr Ignatius, will cycle from OLI Church to Worth Abbey (and back) on Sunday 17 March. Please contact Phil ([townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk)) if you would like to join Fr Ignatius and the Tolworth Tornadoes. Please, sponsor us!!! The easiest way to do this is to use the Justgiving site, which has been set up for the Lenten Project

[www.justgiving.com/OLILentenProject](http://www.justgiving.com/OLILentenProject). Alternatively, please pop a cheque / cash through the Presbytery door. Many thanks in advance for your kindness and generosity - it will make all our efforts worthwhile!!

4. **St. Patrick's Day Coffee Morning** - Sun, 17th March after 9am mass

SVP and YVP invite you to come and enjoy a nice cup of tea and a bite of cake. We will make sure you have a Cead Mile Failte - a nice warm welcome.

5. **Table Top Sale** - after the 9.00 and 11.00 Masses on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March**.

Do you have any unwanted goodies that you can donate to the sale? We are looking for items to sell and use as raffle prizes (eg unwanted gifts, good bric a brac, jewellery, household items, toiletries and chocolates). Please contact Elspeth ([Elspeth.casey@virginmedia.com](mailto:Elspeth.casey@virginmedia.com)) to organise collection. Refreshments will be provided and it will be a great opportunity to catch up with friends and support the Lenten Project.

6. **UCM/KSC Cake and Book Sale** - Sat, 30th March after 6:30pm mass and Sunday

after the morning masses on Sun, 31st March (*Mothering Sunday*) in Old Chapel. Please could we ask for cakes donation and books to brought into the Old Chapel before the masses.

7. **The Lenten Project Quiz 2019 (6th April starting at 8pm)** - Time to exercise

those little grey cells!! The hall will be open from 7.30 . £5 per adult. £1 per child under 16. You are welcome to bring your own food and drink, and all proceeds will go to support the Lenten project charities. Please come and have fun, and support these great causes. To book a table call George 07949334349.

### A BRIEF HOLIDAY FOR FATHER IGNATIUS

I have had to decide to make a quick getaway to visit with my parents at Ibiono (Nigeria) on Monday and will be back by month end. Sadly, I'll miss leading the sponsored bike-ride next weekend, but I would like to ask that you still support my 'participation in spirit.' During my absence, Fr Julian Shurgold will be supporting Fr Joseph and Dcn Al in the pastoral care of the parish.

### DO YOU NEED A CARER FOR THE ELDERLY?

Irene is a parishioner and a carer who works for the elderly in their own homes. She has 18 years experience and is looking for clients. Please contact on 07966698331.

### MEMORIAL MASS FOR MAUREEN HOUGHTON

Monday 18th March 12.pm at St. Raphael's, Surbiton.