



OUR LADY IMMACULATE
TOLWORTH

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Year C)

7th April 2019

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Parish Priest: Fr. Ignatius Edet + **Curate:** Fr. Joseph Edem + **Deacon:** Rev. Al Callan + **Secretary:** Mrs Denise Kidd

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

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

SUNDAY MASSES

6th Sat Vigil	6.30pm	Susanna Chin RIP (<i>Teresa Bredl</i>)
7th Sun	9.00am 11.00am 12.30pm 6.00pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> Bertha D'Costa - RIP (<i>Family</i>) BAPTISM: Maximus Whiddett Jenny Sathirasegaram RIP (<i>H&G Trutwein</i>)

WEEKDAY MASSES

8th Mon Feria	9.30am	Fr. Edmund J. Redding - RIP
9th Tues Feria	9.30am 7.00pm	Pat Parker - Welfare (<i>M. Turmpenny</i>) Thanksgiving (<i>Anne</i>)
10th Wed Feria	9.30am 7.00pm	Ciara Kidd - Welfare (<i>A. Connolly</i>)
11th Thurs Feria	7.00am 9.30am	Eileen Spellman - RIP
12th Fri Feria	7.00am 9.30am 7.00pm	Survivors of Sexual Abuse Rosa & Rosaria Negro-RIP (<i>Piersimono</i>) Lenten Service on Seven Last Words
13th Sat	9.00am	Maria Sebastian - Special Intentions

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

13th Sat Vigil	6.30pm	Dennis Peiris (<i>Mary & Dinak Peiris</i>)
14th Sun	9.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> Pasanalino Pozella (<i>C. Pozella</i>) Deceased Members of Trutwein Family (<i>H & G Trutwein</i>)

OTHER SERVICES

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

SPECIAL LENTEN SERVICE

Reflections on the Last Seven 'Words' on the Cross:
Friday, 12 April at 7pm

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

We are gradually counting down to Holy Week and Easter. How time flies! Yet the call of the Gospel always remains the same. A call to conversion, confession and communion!

As we enter into the last two weeks of Lent, perhaps it may be helpful to start taking stock of our response(s) to and journey with the Lord so far in the light of our Lenten commitments on Ash Wednesday. How far have we gone? Where have we done well? Not so very well? Stumbled? Hugely or even completely failed?

Whatever the case, there's good news for all of us: It's never too late! There is still time to either start afresh or pick up ourselves again, and rise up and follow him who is always there for us, to help us and lead us on. Finding time to ponder on and pray with the comforting words of Jesus to the woman who was condemned by the Jews for adultery, may provide us a good starting point: "Woman, where are there? Has no one condemned you?... Neither do I condemn you...go away and do not sin anymore."

Unlike the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus clearly distinguishes between *sin* and *the sinner, acts and the person*. That is why he is able to extend God's mercy to her without overlooking her fault. Instead, he challenges her to turn around her life.

The Lenten disciplines (prayer, fasting & works of mercy) can help us both as individuals and as a Catholic Community, to overcome 'the scribes and pharisees in us' - towards ourselves and others. Let us strive in the coming days to emulate Jesus' example. **IAE**

REGULAR EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Justice & Peace Group	Second Monday of the month at 7.30pm, except August and December Next meeting: 8th April (<i>RDJ Room</i>)
Knights of St Columba	Every 3rd Monday at 4pm (<i>RDJ Room</i>)
Prayer Group	Tuesday at 10.30am-12pm, except 1st Tuesday (<i>RDJ Room</i>)
Afternoon Tea and Chat	2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 2pm (<i>RDJ Room</i>)
Union of Catholic Mothers	Third Tuesday of the month except August at 7:30pm (<i>Old Chapel</i>)
St Vincent de Paul (SVP)	First and third Wednesday at 7:45pm Next meeting: 17th April (<i>Old Chapel</i>)
Junior SVP	1st and 3rd Sunday of the month before 6pm Mass (<i>Old Chapel</i>)
Library and SVP Coffee Morning	3rd Sunday of the month after 9am Mass (<i>Old Chapel</i>)
The Kingston Franciscan Fraternity	1st Saturday of the month at 3pm (<i>Pastoral Centre</i>)

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First reading	Isaiah 50:4-7
Second reading	Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel	Luke 22:14-23:56

PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE



Please remember in your prayers all those who have died, especially John Matthew and Bettina Dover. 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: £858.77

Gift-aid: £742.97

Total: £1,601.74

2nd Collection Next Weekend for Easter Flowers & Church Decoration

INFANT BAPTISM

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

Next course: 5th & 12th May, at 10am in the Old Chapel

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next **Parents Meeting:** 29th April 7.30pm. The next **Childrens Class:** 4th May 10.30am

CONFIRMATION

Next session: **Tuesday, 23rd April at 7.30pm** in the Catholic Hall. Please, be punctual. Thank you.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

As discussed during the meeting of last December, all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will have their statutory Renewal of Commitment to ministry during the Solemn Mass of Thursday of the Lord's Supper (Maundy Thursday) at 8pm.

Let us all continue to keep them in our prayers. Thank you.



EASTER OFFERING

By custom in the diocese, the Easter offering will be your personal gift to Father Ignatius and Father Joseph. Envelopes are available at Narthex if you would like to use them. Together with the Christmas Offering, the Easter offering constitutes the main income of priests who serve in parish ministries in the diocese.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

1. Monday-Friday after 9.30am Mass
2. Friday at 6pm (led by Syro-Malabar Community)

LENTEN REFLECTION ON THE SEVEN LAST WORDS ON THE CROSS

Please, kindly join us in a special Lenten Service of Reflection, Prayer and Hymns on the Seven Last Words of Our Lord on the Cross, on **Friday, 12 April at 7pm**. All are welcome!

UPCOMING PARISH LENTEN PROJECT EVENTS

1. **Sponsored Walk and Bike Ride** - Amount raised to follow.
2. **UCM/KSC Cake and Book Sale** - raised £490
Many thanks to everyone who supported this event. Congratulations to the winners of the raffle :
Chocolate cake: Therese, Prosecco: Edwi, Easter Egg: Helen, Turkish delight: Debbie, Book: Winnie
3. **NOAH'S ARK LENTEN CAKE SALE** - raised £97.30
NOAH'S ARK LENTEN COFFEE - raised £94.95
4. **The Lenten Project Quiz 2019** - Amount raised to follow.
5. Raffle tickets for the Lenten Project Grand Draw will be distributed after all Masses **this weekend**. **1st prize £200 cash, 2nd prize £150 John Lewis Voucher, 3rd prize £100 Marks & Spencer Voucher, 4th prize 5 x £10 cash**
All counterfoils and cash to be returned by **8th May 2019**. Please put envelope through the Presbytery letterbox.
Draw date: 12th May 2019 at 12.00 noon. All raffle prizes are generously donated by Greenfields Estate Agents.

6. FILM SHOWING - SATURDAY 13th APRIL

Allan & Marie-Helene Cook will show a film of **Archbishop Oscar Romero** was canonised last October. Come and see the story of his battle for the persecuted poor of his country and his martyrdom while saying Mass in his Cathedral 24th March 1980. **This celebrated film will be shown in the Parish Hall next Saturday, 13th April at 7.30 pm**. No tickets required but please give generously for the Lenten Project.

7. **South Indian Event - Sat 27th April 7.30pm** You are cordially invited to taste a homemade three course Indian dinner; with Indian talent, culture and entertainment organised by the Syro Malabar Community. Church Hall, £10n per adult, children under 5, £5 & family £30. To book a table contact Jommy 07738652931 or Rosamma 07961444865.

8. **Jumble Sale - Sat 18th May**. Doors Open at 1.30pm. Admission £1

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday April 16th at 7.30pm in the old chapel. Since this occurs during Holy Week please bring a suitable reading, poem or piece of music to share. All ladies in the parish are welcome to join us for this evening of prayer and recollection.

Our Treasurer reminds us that annual subs (£16) are due and will be collected at the meeting.

HOLY WEEK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for all our Holy Week Services i.e. Maundy Thursday 18 April @ 8.00 pm, Good Friday 19 April @ 3.00 pm and Holy Saturday 20 April @ 8.00pm. We need Altar Servers, Gift Bearers, Collectors, Welcomers/Ushers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you can help at any of these Masses please add your name to the appropriate sign-up sheet in the RDJ room. We need a lot of people to ensure these Masses are successful. So, please help if you can.

SENIOR / MC ALTAR SERVERS PLEASE NOTE: Holy Week Practice is on Sunday 14 April at 12.30 pm in the Sacristy. If you have volunteered for any of the Holy Week services you need to attend this practice and jobs will be allocated then. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

J. Lambert, Parish MC.

PARISH GARAGE CLEARANCE

The Parish garage, which is next to the Parish Bungalow (Noah's Ark), is currently completely full of a range of items, some of which, I understand, have been there for years. I would like this space to be completely cleared out. Could I please ask anyone who owns items in the garage to move them by **21 April 2019**? Any unclaimed items will then be either sold at the forthcoming jumble sale, taken to a charity shop or skipped. Many thanks for your support. IAE

ANNUAL PARISH MEAL

On behalf of Fr Joseph and Deacon Al, I would like to invite you to this year's meal on **Friday 10th May** at 7pm in Sorrento's restaurant. A three course meal including service will be £18.64 per head (drinks extra). To secure your place, please place cash or a cheque (payable to OLI) in an envelope (addressed to Andrew Richardson) through the presbytery door with your contact details and a list of the people who are covered by your payment. Please also include the names of any others you wish to share a table with. Closing date for payments, (so the restaurant can be secured and not opened up to the general public), is Wednesday 17th April.

WELCOME TO THE PARISH

1. Bishop Paul Hendricks, Auxiliary Bishop for SW Pastoral Area, who is celebrating 11am Mass.
2. Knights of St Columba who are bringing the Fraternal Pilgrim Cross to the 6pm Mass.

BETTINA DOVER - RIP

We have heard of the death of a parishioner of St. George's Church who attended some OLI functions. Her funeral will be on 9th April - 12pm at St. George's Church, Hamilton Avenue.