



**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (C) – PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE!**

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**MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS**

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**YOU CAN ALSO PARTICIPATE VIA ONLINE  
LIVESTREAMING AT <https://www.olionline.co.uk>**

12 Sat <i>Vigil</i>	18.30	Mary Campbell & Mary Langton <i>(Maria Campbell)</i>
13 Sun	9.00	Tim Sheehan – RIP <i>(Keely)</i>
	11.00	Denis Deasy – RIP <i>(Cummins)</i>
	18.00	<i>Pro Populo</i> – For the People

**SECOND WEEK OF LENT**

**EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:** Monday – Friday at 8.30am

14 Mon <i>Feria of Lent</i>	9.30	Rosamma Simon’s Intentions
15 Tues <i>Feria of Lent</i>	9.30	Canon Hadfield – RIP <i>(D’Silva)</i>
	11.00	Requiem Mass: Mary Felton – RIP
	19.00	Brian Cronin
16 Wed <i>Feria of Lent</i>	9.30	John Morello – RIP <i>(McGuinness)</i>
	19.00	Augustine – 17 <sup>th</sup> Birthday <i>(Mary)</i>
17 Thurs <i>Feria of Lent</i>	7.00	Bridget & Derek Atkinson – 60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding <i>Annv (M Buckett)</i>
	9.30	Dan & Rosa McGeown – RIP <i>(Eric)</i>
18 Friday <i>Feria of Lent</i>	7.00	Rhoda D’Cruz – RIP <i>(FM)</i>
	9.30	Monica & Egidio – RIP
19 Sat <i>St Joseph (Solemnity)</i>	9.00	Holy Souls <i>(J Fevri)</i>

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (C)**

19 Sat <i>Vigil</i>	18.30	Wendy Cook – WB <i>(E Sullivan)</i>
20 Sun	9.00	Margaret Grogan – RIP <i>(Patrick)</i>
	11.00	<i>Pro Populo</i> – For the People
	18.00	Anthony & Patricia Moore <i>(FM)</i>

**OTHER SERVICES**

<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.15pm
<b>St Anthony of Padua</b>	<b>Tuesday:</b> after morning and evening Masses
<b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b>	<b>Wednesday:</b> after morning and evening Masses
<b>Our Lady of Fatima</b>	1st Saturday of the month
<b>Charismatic Prayer Group</b>	Friday, 7.30pm, Old Chapel
<b>Stations of the Cross (Friday in Lent)</b>	<b>6PM:</b> Syro Malabar <b>7PM:</b> English Language

**SHARED PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

Lord, Lead us from death to life;  
from falsehood to truth.  
Lead us from despair to hope;  
from fear to trust.  
Let peace fill our hearts, our world and our universe.  
Let us dream together, pray together and work together,  
to build one world of peace and justice for all. Amen.

**FROM SUFFERING TO GLORY**

We begin the second week of Lent with the Gospel account of the *Transfiguration* of Jesus Christ in the presence of three of his disciples, Peter, John, and James, while Moses and Elijah, representatives of the Law and Prophets, respectively, attended and spoke with him. To stress its importance, this episode is narrated by the three synoptic gospels, Matthew (17:1-8), Mark (9:2-8), and Luke (9:28-36), and referenced in 2 Peter (1:16-18).

The evangelist Luke from whose account we read today, situates this event within two contexts which, in turn, help to shed light on its significance for our journey through holy Lent towards the glorious feast of Easter. The relatively ‘remote’ context is Jesus’ first announcement of the paschal mystery of his suffering, death, and resurrection: *“The Son of man is destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and scribes and to be put to death, and to be raised up on the third day”* (Lk 9:22). Subsequently, he also emphasised self-renunciation and suffering as the precondition for following him (Lk 9:23-26). This was no good news for the disciples. As the Messiah, *“[their] own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free”* (Lk 24:21). The one who would overthrow the Roman occupiers and *“restore the kingdom to Israel”* (Acts 1:6). For the Jews generally, a *suffering messiah, a crucified Christ* was, indeed, unthinkable and scandalous (1 Co 1:23). Aware of their anxiety and wavering faith because of his pronouncements, Jesus took the three disciples, eight days after, to the mountain to pray (the second and immediate context). While praying, his face and clothes were transfigured, and became dazzlingly bright. Moses and Elijah appeared and talked with him about his impending suffering and death in Jerusalem.

The disciples were overwhelmed by this ‘spectacle’ and did not understand what it meant. Characteristically, Peter ventured to speak up. He would ask for three tents to be built, one each for Moses, Elijah, and Jesus. This seems an innocent request, but certainly loaded with some self-interest. Imaginably, as his disciples, Peter and his companions would hope to share their master’s space in the safety of the mountain and its glorious ambience and would, therefore, avoid the earlier foretold suffering. How far they were from Jesus’ vision and mission! They could not recognise the intimate connection of the encounter with the paschal mystery because their hearts were still *“so slow to believe the full message of the prophets”* (Lk 24:25). They wanted the roses without the thorns, the glory without the suffering, the crown without the cross. Nothing was farther from Jesus’ route. After all, it *“was ordained that, the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory”* (Lk 24:26). This is echoed in the Preface of today’s Mass: *“For after he had told the disciples of his coming Death, on the holy mountain he manifested to them his glory, to show, even by the testimony of the law and the prophets, that the Passion leads to the glory of the Resurrection.”* Similarly, in the Preface of the *Transfiguration of the Lord* (6 August), it occurred so that *“the scandal of the Cross might be removed from the hearts of his disciples.”* Still, the disciples continued to struggle with coming to terms with this vision, even after the Resurrection and Pentecost.

Their story and struggle, dear friends, remain our story and struggle despite the benefit of over two thousand years of hindsight and the gift of the Holy Spirit that we constantly receive through prayer and the sacraments. Lent offers us a unique chance to be transfigured. We are invited to follow Jesus to the mountain in prayer so that the eyes of our faith might be opened to encounter him, the Chosen One and, listening to him by imitating his suffering, we may, at Easter, share in the glory of *“he [who] will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body”* (Ph 3:21). ©IAE

**NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS**

<b>1ST READING</b>	Exodus 3:1-8,13-15
<b>2ND READING</b>	1 Corinthians 10:1-6,10-12
<b>GOSPEL</b>	Luke 13:1-9

## PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE



**Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died**, especially Olive McMullon, Agnes Matthews, Mary Felton, Elizabeth Nichols, Maureen Melia, John Morello, Brian Enright, Tim Sheehan, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.



**Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community:** Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, George Trutwein, Yvonne Norman, Esme Mills, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, Betty Harte, Joan McGovern, Rita Reginald, Thomas O'Connor, Jimmy Simon, James & Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, Shirlene A., Ida Rebello, Kathleen McGuinness, Kathleen O'Connell, Claire Pender, Christine Howey, Hazel D'Aguiar, Mary O'Mara, Eileen Cullen, Elizabeth Jones, Ray Lewry, Kathleen Kelly, Wendy Cook, Jemima Francis, Nivetheni Robert and Sally Wells.

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

**RETIRING COLLECTION TODAY:** Proceeds from CAFOD Family Fast Day (Friday, 11 March).

### YOUTH LITURGY TEAM LOGO COMPETITION

Calling all Youth and Young People in our parish! Put your stamp on your Youth Mass.

We are running a competition to find a logo for our monthly Youth Mass. The logo will also be used as the parish Youth Liturgy Team logo. It will be the identity of the Youth Mass and should empower the youth. If you have a design in mind (hand-drawn or digital), please send your designs to Jefin who is part of the Youth Liturgy Team: [jefinjohn@gmail.com](mailto:jefinjohn@gmail.com) Deadline: **13th April**. Winner to be announced during our Youth Mass in April.

### UKRAINE CIVILIAN MEDICAL DONATIONS

If you feel you would like to donate, please bring your donations to St Mark's Church, St Mark's Hill, KT6 4LS. The donations needed are medical supplies, first aid kits, bandages, baby items and personal hygiene items. Including non-prescriptions drugs (paracetamol or ibuprofen), dried baby milk, nappies, Adult and child toothpaste and brushes, shampoo, body wash and women's sanitary items. Thank you.

### SRI LANKAN EVENING

Thank you to all who attended and volunteered. The total amount raised was a wonderful **£2,674.00!**

### LENTEN PROJECT SPONSORED WALK

This year, we are asking Parishioners to commit to walk either individually, or as a family, a certain number of miles during the period of Lent. You may wish to commit to walk for 50 miles, 100 miles or more! One parishioner has committed to walk 400 miles! In addition, led by Fr Ignatius, on 2 April, there is going to be a challenging 38 km (24 miles) sponsored walk. Setting off from OLI Church, we plan to walk along the river to Richmond and then walk a circuit of Richmond Park, before retracing our steps. Please contact Elspeth ([elspeth.casey@virginmedia.com](mailto:elspeth.casey@virginmedia.com)) if you are interested in taking part in either committing to walk a distance over Lent or taking part in the sponsored walk event. If you would like to sponsor us, please either pop some money in an envelope and post through the Presbytery door, or use the following Justgiving site: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Our-Lady-Immaculate-Church> Many thanks for your support

### LENTEN PROJECT TABLE-TOP SALE: 19 & 20 MARCH

This popular event will be held after the 6.30pm Mass on Saturday, 19 March and after the 9.00 and 11.00 Masses on Sunday 20th March. Items sold will include brand-new, top-quality china and glass; toys and games; books and much much more! Refreshments will be provided, and it will be a great opportunity to catch up with friends and support the Lenten Project.

### THE LENTEN PROJECT QUIZ 2022 (2ND APRIL 7.45PM)

Time to exercise those little grey cells!! The main hall will be open from 7.30pm, for 7.45pm start. £3 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.

### UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS (UCM): AGM

Tuesday, 15 March at 7.30pm in the Old Chapel. We shall be electing a Committee for the coming year. This year Tolworth Foundation celebrates its 77th year as part of the National UCM. Let us look forward to many more years of being part of this wonderful organisation. All ladies are welcome to join us.

### FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Kingston foodbank at present is particularly short of potato foods (tinned new potatoes and powdered mash), jam, rice, instant mash, fruit squash, household cleaning items, bleach, washing tablets etc., razors, shaving cream, shower gel and toothbrushes. Thank you for your generosity.

### † MARY ANNE FELTON – RIP

Kindly pray for Mary Felton, who died peacefully on 17 February, aged 94. Our condolences to her son David and the family. May she rest in peace. **Requiem Mass:** Tues, 15 Feb, 11am.

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS



### LAST WEEKEND

Non-Gift-aid: £409.28

Gift-aid: £741.45      **Total: £1,150.73\***

**2nd Collection (Poor Parishes): £224.74**

### TOTAL COLLECTION FOR FEB 2022

A. Cash / cheques – 4,348.60

1. Gift-Aided – 1,431.44

2. Non-G/A – 2,917.16

B. Standing Orders / Bank Transfers – 3,069.00

1. Gift-Aided – 2,490.00

2. Non-G/A – 579.00

C. Contactless Machine – 690.00

**Total = £8,107.60**

**Thank you for your generosity to your parish.**

Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at [olionline.co.uk](http://olionline.co.uk)), or by online banking:

**RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05.**

**IMPORTANT:** Please include your Gift Aid number in your online instruction to your bank. Non-Gift Aid donors, please include the letters NGA in the instruction to the bank.

Any queries? Please contact Allan Cook: [tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk) or 0208 8399 4368

## ATTENTION ALL GIFT AID MEMBERS!

Gift Aid envelopes for the coming tax year will be available for collection in the Old Chapel after each Mass on the weekends 19/20 and 26/27 March. Please come yourself or ask a friend or family member to collect for you.

Gift Aid donors who give by standing order or online should also come to collect their special packs of envelopes for Easter and Christmas and other special collections.

## CONTACTLESS PAYMENTS

Contactless payment machines are available in the narthex whenever the Church doors are open:

Select the amount you wish to give, tap your payment card on the reader, and the payment will come through to the parish.

**You can also Gift-Aid your donation directly on it.**

Thank you for your generosity.