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Parish Newsletter

No: 9/20 For Sunday 1st March 2020

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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SUNDAY MASS: 9.30 am and 11.00am. Also Saturday at 6.00 pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Weekdays at 9.30 am.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: 10 am and 7.30 pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 10.30—11 am & 5.15—5.45 pm and at call.

VARIATIONS: Please see the Weekly Diary for any changes to the above times.

MARRIAGES: Six months' notice is ordinarily required

BAPTISMS: On second Saturdays of the month

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Father Anthony will be available for parishioner consultations after Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays until 1.00pm, and then from 4.00 pm until 8.00 pm. It is not necessary to make an appointment to see him at these times. The parish office is open from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm and from 2.00 pm until 5.00 pm each Monday, Wednesday and Thurs.

PARISH LENTEN PROGRAMME

The exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from Friday 28th February will end at 7.00pm/7.15pm.

Stations of the Cross from Friday 28th February every Wednesday and Friday at 7.30pm.

Lenten Prayer Breakfast each Saturday from 29th February to 4th April from 8.15am - 9.15am.

Lenten Reconciliation Service on Monday 30th March at 7.30pm. Bishop Paul has been asked to lead this service. There will be confession afterwards.

Good Friday – There will be Stations of the Cross for children at 10.30am. After this is the Walk of Witness. The meeting point is the back of the Methodist Church on Ruskin Road. This travels through Carshalton village. Father Anthony will be saying a prayer at the service.

Holy Father's prayer intention for March

That the Church in China may persevere in it's faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

NEW PILGRIM PATH (www.newpilgrimpath.ie) is inspired by Pope Francis's enthusiasm for the internet. He urges Christian to "walk the streets of the digital highways in order to dialogue with people today and to help them encounter Christ". Each week they feature a website which may be of interest to fellow Christians.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, a season which presents a wonderful opportunity to explore Scripture in our daily prayer. 'Living Lent Daily' is an email series of Scripture-based inspirations from Loyola Press. Each day of Lent, those who sign up for the (free) emails will receive a reflection based on Bible verses from Loyola's immensely popular 3-Minute Retreats. The emails also include suggestions for further exploration of Lenten themes through additional online articles and prayers.

Stations of the Cross: During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 7.30 pm each Wednesday and Friday. On Fridays the Stations will be led by Fr Anthony. On Wednesdays they will be led by a lay person. If you would like to volunteer to lead the Stations of the Cross on one or more Wednesdays, please sign on the list in the meeting area.



LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFASTS (8.15am - 9.15am) start on Saturday 29th February and each Saturday during Lent until 4th April. The format will include Praise and Worship, Opening Prayer, Scripture readings, silent meditation, Intercessions and a closing prayer. *ALL ARE WELCOME!*
LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE on Monday 30th March at 7.30pm. (Details to follow)

INVITATION FROM FR. PATRICK UDOTAI

Dear Friends in Christ,
THE LORD IS GOOD: ALL THE TIME! AND ALL THE TIME; THE LORD IS GOOD!
I hereby formally wish to invite the St. Margaret's Family to my Induction as the Parochial Administrator of St. Elphege's Parish, scheduled as follows:

DATE: Friday, 13th March, 2020 TIME: 7.30 pm

VENUE: St. Elphege's Church, 120 Stafford Road, Wallington, SM6 9AY
I will always cherish the privilege I had to serve, learn and share the love of Christ with you all. I would be grateful to see you all on the occasion.

SUTTON DEANERY— DAY OF PRAYER & REFLECTION

(For all Ministers and Parishioners)

On 21st March 2020, Fr Victor Darlington, parish priest of Camberwell and lecturer in New Testament at St John's Seminary, Womersley, will speak on the Gospel of Mark. The event will begin with Holy Mass at 9.30 am followed by coffee and will finish at 2.00 pm. The venue is Holy Family Church, Sutton Green, SM1 1QT. *All are welcome!*

FRIDAY 6th MARCH 2020—WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. This year's theme is based on: The Story of Zimbabwe (www.wedp.org.uk) Local services are being held at:

10.30am Salvation Army, Sutton

2.00pm Holy Cross, North Street

7.30pm Wallington Baptist Church, Park Gate Road

ALL ARE WELCOME!

**Diary for the Week STARTING Sunday 1st March 2020
First Sunday of Lent**

SUNDAY	6.00 pm 9.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am	Saturday (Vigil) Mass Recitation of the Holy Rosary Family Mass Holy Mass
MONDAY	9.30 am	Feria Morning Prayer & Holy Mass
TUESDAY	9.30 am	Feria Morning Prayer & Holy Mass
WEDNESDAY	9.30 am 7.30 pm	Feria Morning Prayer & Holy Mass Stations of the Cross
THURSDAY	9.30 am 6.15 pm	Feria Morning Prayer & Holy Mass Youth Choir Practice
FRIDAY	9.30 am 12.30 pm 7.30 pm	Feria (FIRST FRIDAY) Holy Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 11 am to 12 noon Confession followed by Benediction from 12 noon Holy Mass (for the sick & private intentions) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7.00 pm. Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY	8.15am - 9.15am 10.00 am 5.30 pm 6.00 pm	Feria Lenten Breakfast Holy Mass Recitation of the Holy Rosary Vigil Mass of Sunday

Please note: As the back of the church will not be partitioned during Lent, **Mums & Toddlers** has been cancelled during this period. CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day is on Friday 5th March and envelopes will be distributed this weekend and collected on 7th/8th March.

FR LUKE'S HCPT PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

25th September to 2nd October 2020. We can promise an extremely rewarding time with our long established, wonderfully caring HCPT group. We are looking for adults & children of all ages to join our pilgrimage, especially as disabled or elderly pilgrims in need of care, or additionally as able-bodied volunteer helpers with many different roles to be filled. We will be at Hosanna House, which is fully equipped to cope with the needs of the disabled. The basic cost is £758 including full board, flights, insurance and all specialist transport while in Lourdes. If you would like to know more, please contact the Parish office and we will forward your details to the HCPT Group Leaders.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR: Connie Harrington, (Lynn Pougher's mother), Angel Bridi, John Ryan (Richard Thomson's brother-in-law), Steven Conroy, Paul Field (Father Kevin's Nephew), Mike Nolan, Laura Bannon (Mia's Mother), Stephen Martin, Joe Ryan, Juliana Amaral, Nina Greenoak & Lauren Horwood (Juliana's granddaughters), Jackie Sweeney & Ray Sweeney (Ita Haines' sister-in-law's sister-in-law & son-in-law), Liz Beddoe (Lynn Pougher's sister-in-law), Nora Chapman, Margaret Fox, Angela Kelly and Roger & Adrienne Stokes (Peter's brother and sister-in-law), Catherine Roberts, Phil Quigley (Mike's brother) and Theresa Fox.

ANNIVERSARIES: Minnie Bulley, Lisa Monaghan, John Bartley (Catherine & Evelyn Druce's father), John Edwards (Hugh O'Donnell's brother-in-law), Ada Fleming, Nuala Hargreaves, Mary Pope (Noreen Morley's aunt), Berkeley Burdock (Stephen Lenaerts' brother-in-law), Margaret Stewart, Winifred Ansell, Kathleen Shipton, Patrick Collins, Margaret Willmot, William Fowler, Ciro Diconza (Vincent Zichella's uncle), Matthew Crosby, Bill Clifford, Farlow Nying and Mary McKenna.

LAST SUNDAY'S attendance was 233 and the Offertory came to £594.07 shared between £177.00 in loose money and £417.07 in Gift Aid envelopes. Many thanks for your generosity.

Cinema on your doorstep - Films and events at Carshalton Methodist Church, Ruskin Road, Carshalton, SM5 3DE.

The cinema films are admission free; donations appreciated.

To find out more or what's showing, please visit www.carshalton-methodist.org.uk;

INTER CHURCH LENT STUDY 2020 Churches Together in Carshalton

The full lists of the Study Groups are on the noticeboard, If anyone still wants to join, please contact the host or leader to see if there are places. Please download the material via ctbi.org.uk. NB you only need to print from *page 6 to page 38* (33 pages). Alternatively, there is a copy attached to the board you may wish to use to make photocopies.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Are you able to prepare tea, coffee etc after the 9.30 Mass on Sunday? This is an opportunity to get to know your fellow parishioners a little better. To qualify you just have to be aged 16 or over. Remember, we can't provide this valuable service without your help. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

SAINT MARGARET'S ALMANAC

2nd March	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS — Session 1 (5.30 pm to 6.30pm)
2nd March	LENT HOUSE GROUPS STUDY BEGIN
6th March	FAMILY FAST DAY
6th March	FIRST FRIDAY MASS & PROGRAMME
30th March	LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE (7.30pm)
5th April	PALM SUNDAY
8th April	CHRISM MASS (at St George's— details to follow)
9th April	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (7.30pm)
10th April	GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS