

LENTEN RETREAT

Our Lenten Retreat “Eucharist – Discovering the Mass in the Bible” continues to attract a great number for which we are very blessed. We hope many of you who can’t attend are following the recap sheets that are on our website (Under Spirituality - Retreats and Spiritual Formation - Eucharist Discovering the Mass in the Bible). There is however still time to attend the retreat as we enter into the final 4 sessions. The retreat led by Canon Will and supported by material from Dr Brant Pitre has proved a dynamic and illuminating “hit” as it supports our learning in bringing the Bible basis of the Eucharist to life. Dr Pitre an Augustine scholar takes us through the Old and New Testament to discover the origins of the Eucharist - the source and summit of all we believe. Next session is on “Bread of Life; Discourse: John 6 and the Real Presence” in the upper new hall on Tuesday 27th February, 7.45pm and the following Tuesdays 6th, 13th & 20th March. It would be lovely to see you there. This is an important discussion session and one that as Canon William reminded us brings us closer to an understanding of the Eucharist and its fundamental importance in our lives.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	8.30 am Pro Pop 10.00 am Tony Gomes <i>RIP</i> 11.15 am Allan Gillane <i>RIP</i> 6.15 pm Bernie Cooney <i>RIP</i>	Thursday	10.00 am David Huttan <i>RIP</i> 6.15 pm Stewart Finn <i>RIP</i>
Monday	10.00 am Jerry Hourigan <i>RIP</i> 6.15 pm Colleen Quaranta (<i>Recovery</i>)	Friday	10.00 am Req Mary M Burns <i>RIP</i> 6.15 pm Wanita Crowl <i>RIP</i>
Tuesday	10.00 am Souls in Purtagary 6.15 pm Salma Mehdi <i>RIP</i>	Saturday	10.00 am Fatima Valle (<i>Birthday</i>) 6.15 pm Maria Sammut (<i>Sp Int</i>)
Wednesday	10.00 am Joseph Fok - Seang <i>RIP</i> 6.15 pm Laura Guerrero (<i>Int</i>)	Sunday	8.30 am Pro Pop 10.00 am James Jennings <i>RIP</i> 11.15 am Gillian Lyle (<i>Int</i>) 6.15 pm Foundation Mass

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Last week’s collection: Gift Aid Envelopes £391.00, Loose £952.00, **Total £1,343.00** Thank you. Old paper £10 notes will cease to be legal tender on 1st March. Please ensure you have spent all your paper tenners by the end of February. You will still be able to exchange them at the bank. Please also be aware that foreign coins are worthless to us, and it is not acceptable to put Euro notes or coins in Gift Aid envelopes. Thank you very much for your cooperation. **Second collection this weekend:** CAFOD Lenten Family Fast Day.

CAFOD, LENT FAMILY FAST DAY, Friday 23rd February

In today’s Gospel reading we heard how Jesus fasts for 40 days and 40 nights and is tempted in the wilderness. Despite temptation, he steadfastly puts all his hope and trust in God. During Lent, our fast reminds us of our spiritual hunger for God, and all the gifts we have been given. **Return envelopes at the retiring collection this weekend.**

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2nd Sunday of Lent

24th & 25th February 2018 (Year B)

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Parish Team:

Rev Canon William Hebborn (*Parish Priest*)
Fr Philip Andrews, Fr Paul Connelly
& Fr Emmanuel Ojeifo (*also resident*).
Deacon Michael Carrucan, Deacon Simon English,
Deacon Tom McCarthy & Thelma Lewis.
Tom Gately (*Catechetical Co-ordinator*).
Martine Mercer (*Parish Administrator*).

Parish Sisters:

The Little Company of Mary.

Mass Times:

Saturday 10.00am & 6.15pm.

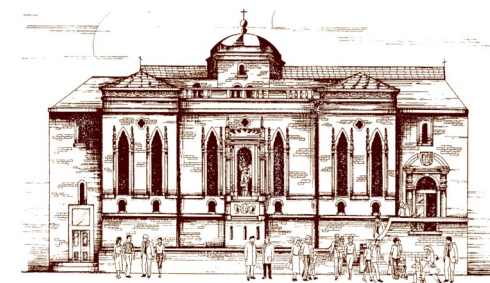
Sunday 8.30am, 10.00am, 11.15am & 6.15pm.

Mass times during the week:

10.00am & 6.15pm. (No 8.00am).

Holydays: 8.00am, 10.00am & 6.15pm & 8.00pm.

Confessions: Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm & 7.00pm.



WEEKDAY READINGS

Monday:	Dan 9:4-10; Ps 78:8-9,11,13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10,16-20; Ps 49:8-9,16-17,21,23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 30:5-6,14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Phil 3:8-14; Ps 1; Mt 5:13-16
Friday:	Gen 37:3-4,12-13,17-28; Ps 104:16-21; Mt 21:33-43,45-46
Saturday:	Mic 7:14-15,18-20; Ps 102:1-4,9-12; Lk 15:1-3,11-32
Sunday:	Ex 20:1-17; Ps 18:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH

We pray for all our housebound parishioners, including those in the six nursing homes and Springfield Hospital.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

Abraham’s faith is tested. God showers blessings on him.

Second Reading Romans 8:31-34

God our Father has given us all that is most precious by sending his Son. We stand acquitted - God is on our side.

Gospel Mark 9:2-10

At the transfiguration, the identity of Jesus is revealed. But the meaning of his identity is something the disciples still struggle to grasp.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON SUNDAYS DURING LENT AT 5.30pm

Stations of the Cross will be led by the clergy/deacons during the six Sundays of Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday and Friday after the evening Mass.

MEETINGS DURING THE WEEK

Monday: St Vincent de Paul at 7.00pm (2nd & 4th **Monday** of month).
Legion of Mary at 7.00pm.
Tuesday: Exposition and Benediction after 10.00am Mass.
Wednesday: Friendship Club 2.00pm – 4.00pm.
Thursday: Friends of the Holy Family (4th Thursday of the month).
St Philomena Prayer Group held after 6.15pm Mass in our Lady's
chapel 7.00pm – 8.00pm.
RCIA programme 7.00pm – 9.00pm in upper new hall.

PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul of Mary Margaret Burns. Requiem Mass on Friday 2nd March at 10am. We especially ask you to pray for all the family at this time.

LENTEN PENANCE By abstaining from meat or some other food. By abstaining from alcoholic drink, smoking or some form of amusement. By making special efforts involving family prayer, taking part in the Mass, visiting the Blessed Sacrament or praying the Stations of the Cross. By fasting from all food for a longer period than usual and perhaps by giving what is saved in this way to the needy at home and abroad. By making a special effort to help somebody who is poor, sick, old or lonely.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING on Thursday 8th March at 7.30pm in the upper new hall. At least one parent of each family must be represented at this meeting as this is part of the preparation of the children's first confession which will take place on Saturday 10th March at 10.45 am in the church. Full details of the service will be discussed at the meeting.

CARING KITCHEN Sunday 25th Feb, 12.15-2.00pm in the Old Hall (Balham High Rd entrance) in a friendly place and caring environment to enjoy a home-made lunch.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Where women throughout the world are together in prayer - this year it is especially for Surinam. On Friday 2nd March at 2pm, St Magdalene Church, Trinity Road, London SW17. St. Anselm's has representation on this committee. All welcome!

COFFEE MORNING Friday 2nd March 9am - 12noon in the lower new hall. Come and make new friends and enjoy homemade cakes and tea/coffee over a good chat!!

FAMILY FOLK MASS Sunday 3rd March at 10am If you enjoy singing or playing an instrument come and join us. We meet on Saturday 3rd March at 10.45am in the lower new hall and on Sunday morning at 9.30am in the church. All First Holy Communion children are encouraged to join us on Sunday to lead the singing.

SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday 6th March at 8pm in the lower new hall.

SOUP AND SANDWICH CLUB
Friday 9th March, 10.30 -12noon. Come and join us for a delicious lunch in a friendly and happy environment. Delicious homemade soup, sandwiches and cakes for all to enjoy and prepared by the wonderful mums of the parish, All welcome!

CALLING ALL BAKERS OF THE PARISH

The Social Events Committee will be holding a cake and flower sale after 10am Mass on Mother's Day, Sunday 11th March. If you enjoy baking we would really appreciate if you could bake a cake or cupcakes for us to sell on the day. All proceeds from the sale will go to the Parish. Please bring all cake donations to the foyer of the lower new hall **between 9.45am and 10.50am** on Sunday 11th March. Thank you in advance for your time and attention.

JOURNEY IN FAITH 2018

Meetings continue every Thursday at 7.00pm in the lower new hall. We look forward to seeing you all again.

TRIDUUM CHOIR

If you enjoy singing and playing an instrument please join us as we prepare to celebrate the Easter Liturgies. Rehearsals Wednesday, 28th February, 7th & 14th March, Tuesday 27th March, all at 7.45pm in the Church, and final rehearsal Saturday 31st March at 10.45am in the Church. Full updates will be given at rehearsals.

PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND, October 2018, Update

Paperwork and final invoice with instructions will be sent out by post after Easter to all the pilgrims who have confirmed their booking and paid the deposit. We kindly ask you to send your final payment made payable to Pax Travel Ltd and coach transfer payments to St Anselm's Church (all explained in the covering letter) and return to Martine in the Parish Office. The final meeting prior to travel will be held on **Saturday 22nd September at 3pm in the lower new hall** when final instructions and itinerary will be available.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for 1st Friday Coffee Morning

We are looking for more helpers for our 1st Friday Coffee morning which runs from 9.00am -12.00noon. This would involve setting up (8.30am) help with teas/coffees and perhaps making a cakes / buns and biscuits to bring along. Serving teas and coffees during the morning and clearing up. This is a lovely way to come and meet our wonderful community and share in hospitality. If you would like to get involved please contact Sarah: bigtexas@yahoo.com or the parish office 020 8672 2179/ stanselmstbec@gmail.com Thank you! *Canon William*

CAN YOU HELP? CHILDREN'S LITURGY

(Little Fishes (Under 5) & The Followers (Over 5)) We are looking for liturgists to help with both the Under 5 and Over 5 Liturgy groups on a Sunday morning. If you are interested in supporting our lovely children's liturgy, which is an extension of the Mass for our younger members of the parish community, please contact the parish office: stanselmstbec@gmail and your details will be forwarded to the coordinators of the groups. Thank you for your consideration. *Canon William*.

CHURCH CLEANERS

It takes a merry bunch of cleaners to make the Church sparkle every week. If you can give a couple of hours of your time, please come and join the team on a Thursday morning following the 10am Mass. Come to the sacristy from 11am.
