

Music at 11.30 am Solemn Mass Today: Bernabei, G - Missa VIII Motet: Lotti - Miserere mei **Music at 10.00 am Family Mass:** There is now a button on the parish website, which allows parishioners to listen to and practice the Sunday hymns ahead of time.

Diocesan Lent Appeal ('Lenten Alms')

This appeal supports four main areas if need in our diocese: Youth & Evangelisation, Social Action, Education, Marriage and Family Life. A magazine 'Mosaic' at the back of church describes some projects which have been funded by last year's Lent Appeal. Giving envelopes can be taken from the back of the church, and returned to us any time during Lent or at the end of Lent. There will be a collection for this purpose at the offertory of the Mass of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday.

Take Up Singing for Lent Why not take up singing this Lent?

We warmly invite anyone who would like to sing to join the Family Mass choir for Sunday 10am Mass during Lent. No auditions, no need to read music, and no long-term commitment — just come along and give it a try at 9.15am on Sunday mornings! Whether you sing regularly or haven't sung in years, you'll be very welcome. Speak to Laurence Carroll after Mass to find out more or email:

familymasschoirhtbg@gmail.com

Preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism: If you have a child for **Baptism**, under 5 years old please email us for an application form. A copy of one of the Catholic parents' baptism certificate will be required. Baptisms can only take place on Saturdays at 11am.

Prayer workshop: Thu 12th March at 2pm at Nazareth House. All welcome.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Matrimony at Westminster Cathedral Sat 23rd May 2026 at 2:30pm. For couples in the Diocese celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and any year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage. Please email us husband and wife's names, wedding date, years married, address, email (or phone number, if no email). We forward this information to the Diocesan Marriage & Family Life office, who in due course will send you the Cardinal's invitation.

Make a real difference in someone's life! Caritas Westminster is offering free online training for parishioners who want to volunteer and support people in their local community facing unemployment or financial hardship. More details and sign up here <https://caritaswestminster.org.uk/event/financial-resilience-training-for-volunteers/>

Please pray for the sick especially: Michael Chute, Jacqueline Spears, Brigitte Dean, Cornelius Murphy, Caroline Keating, Gesa Cosby, Christopher Freeman, Gloria Mantilla, Dermot Molloy, Seamus Malone, Shirley Foster, Rosane da Graca Wilhelms, Michael Ruggins, Caitlin Brown, Francis Jordan, Phil Unwin and Graig Scanlan. **We commend to God those who died recently:** Jay Adams, John O'Neill, Sean Collins **and those with anniversaries around this time:** Yvonne Lenehan, Luke and Nancy Gibney, Michael and Maureen Conway, Mary Scherer and John Daly.

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Third Sunday of Lent 8th March 26

Today's Readings p.278-284
Ex 17:3-7; Paul 5:1-2,5-8; Jn 4:5-42



Office Hours: Mon-Friday 10am-1pm and 2pm-4pm

Times of Mass and Devotions for Week beginning 8th March 2026

Saturday <i>Lent feria</i>	9.30 am Mass 2.00pm Monthly Devotion followed by Adoration 6.00 pm First Mass of Sunday followed by Confessions
Sunday 8th March <i>3rd Sunday of Lent</i>	8.30 am Mass 10.00 am Family Mass 11.30 am Solemn Mass followed by Confessions 6.30 pm Mass

Monday <i>Lent feria</i>	6.00 pm Mass followed by Adoration & Benediction
Tuesday <i>Lent Feria</i>	6.00pm Mass 6.30pm Lent Talk in Church
Wednesday <i>Lent feria</i>	6.00pm Mass 6.30pm Stations of the Cross
Thursday <i>Lent feria</i>	9.00 am Mass followed by Rosary 7.00-8.30pm Youth 2000 Adoration & Benediction
Friday <i>Lent feria</i>	9.00 am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Prayers 9.35am Stations of the Cross
Saturday <i>Lent feria</i>	9.30 am Mass 2.00pm Monthly Devotion followed by Adoration 6.00 pm First Mass of Sunday followed by Confessions
Sunday 15th March <i>4th Sunday of Lent</i> <i>Mothering Sunday</i>	8.30 am Mass 10.00 am Family Mass 11.30 am Solemn Mass followed by Confessions 6.30 pm Mass

Today's Bible Readings

In the Old Testament Reading we have the third stage in the story of salvation: the Exodus from Egyptian slavery under the leadership of Moses. Today's part of this focuses on the people of Israel complaining of thirst in the wilderness during their journey. Moses obeys God's command to strike the rock, out of which water flowed, from which the people were able to drink.

In the Second Reading St Paul tells the church in Rome that we have been justified by faith and so have peace with God through Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

In the Gospel, Jesus, wearied from his journey, sits down by the well of a Samaritan town, Sychar. He asks the Samaritan woman who came to draw water for a drink. Jesus says that if she knew who he was, she would be the one to ask him, and he would have given her living water, which becomes in the one receiving it a spring welling up to eternal life. Gradually the woman overcomes her misunderstandings, sees Jesus first as a prophet and then as the Christ. As a result of her testimony, many of the Samaritans of that town come to recognise Jesus as the Saviour of the world. This Gospel is the first of three Sunday Gospels designed to prepare adult catechumens, now 'The Elect', for their baptism at Easter, as showing the journey of faith they have been travelling, and the living water of Christ of which they will drink at their Baptism at the Easter Vigil.

Please pray for our Catechumens who are now 'the Elect' making their final preparation for Baptism at the Easter Vigil. Their names are inscribed in the Book of the Elect, displayed in the Baptistry, along with that of our candidate for reception into the Catholic Church, as a way of requesting your prayers for them.

The Holy Week and Easter Services leaflet will be published next Sunday 15th March, and will give the times of confessions before Easter.

Our Parish Lent Information leaflet, 'Return to the Lord your God', is available, giving details of our Lenten activities and devotions. The Holy Week and Easter Services leaflet will be published on Sunday 15th March.

Lent Talks in Church on Tuesdays at 6.30 pm – "VATICAN II – GUIDING STAR"

Third Talk is this Tuesday 10th March, given by Fr Juan

'The Scriptures – the Word of God.'



In 2025 we kept the 60th Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council, which was a General Council of the church, in which all the Bishops of the Catholic world took part, 1962-1965. Its four main documents, ('Constitutions',) began a great movement of renewal in the Catholic Church. Pope Leo is currently giving a series of General Audience addresses on these documents. He invites us to reread and reflect upon them, since as he says 'Vatican II still constitutes the guiding star of the Church's journey today.' Our four Lent Talks give us the opportunity to do so.

'No Greater Love' – Bible study group on Wednesdays during Lent from 2-3pm in the presbytery. Please let Therese know if you intend to come. It is advisable to attend all sessions but you are still welcome to attend the ones you can. This time of day may suit parents, as it is prior to school pick up. All are welcome, including walk ins.

Stations of the Cross on Wednesday at 6.30 pm, and on Friday at 9.35 am, following Mass.

Lent Booklets about the Meaning of Lent, Stations of the Cross, and other Lenten devotions on sale from the Catholic Truth Society stand in the porch.

Thursday this week: 7- 8.30 pm Youth 2000 Adoration and benediction. Confessions available.

Next Sunday is Mothering Sunday, the mid-Lent Sunday of refreshment, celebrating our Mother the church, symbolised by the city of Jerusalem in Scripture, Mary Mother of the Church, and our own mothers, living or departed. Flowers will be blessed and distributed to children in church to give their mothers as a token of thankfulness.

Collection of Non-Perishable Foodstuffs for our Hammersmith & Fulham Foodbank at all Masses on **Saturday 21st/Sunday 22nd March only**. Long life juice, jams and spreads are especially needed.