

Please contact srjenefer@rcdow.org.uk, the parish office, or speak to one of the priests if you would like to join the new group adults exploring the Catholic faith. An initial Social meeting is planned for **Wednesday 22nd March**.

Prayer Workshop 2.00pm at Nazareth House on Thursday 23rd March. Prayer, chat & a cuppa. All welcome.

TODAY Sunday CAKE SALE - with tea/coffee/chocolate in support of the Children's Liturgy group so they can continue to provide the children's parties.

Any children who wish to READ at the 11.00am GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS of the CROSS please speak to Sr. Jenefer.

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

Family Mass Stewards – we are looking to recruit more members of our wonderful team of stewards for the Family Mass.

Holy Trinity Cine Club: for children in **Year 7 to Year 9** once a month on a Friday evening: 24th March, 21st April, 19th May and 30th June and **Year 10 to 12** on a Saturday evening once a month: Friday 28th April, Sat 20th May, Sat 1st July. Quality 'surprise' movie followed by discussion and pizza. All are welcome, suggested donation of £5 towards running costs. Contact cineclubbg@gmail.com. See poster in the church porch.

Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2023

in aid of the four pillars of the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal: Marriage & Family Life; Youth & Evangelisation; The Education Service, and Caritas Westminster. Please take a donation envelope – return it to the parish office at any time, or at the end of Lent.

Collection of Non-Perishable Foodstuffs

for Hammersmith and Fulham Foodbank at Church at Sunday Masses of **25th/26th March**. Please bring your gifts with you to Mass on that Saturday or Sunday only.



Items especially needed: tinned fish, tinned meat, long life milk and long life juice.

New volunteer needed to coordinate quarterly with the Hammersmith & Fulham Foodbank to arrange our collection of foodstuffs. This is not a big volunteer job to take on!

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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Fourth Sunday of Lent – Laetare Sunday

Mothering Sunday

19th March 2023

Today's Readings p. 297-303

Sam 16:1,6-7,10-13; Paul 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41



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

Mass and Devotions for the Week beginning Sunday 19th March 23

Saturday
Lent feria

9.30 am Mass
6.00 pm First Mass of Sunday

Sunday 19th March
Laetare Sunday

8.30 am Mass
10.00 am Family Mass
11.30 am Solemn Mass followed by Confessions
6.30 pm Mass

Monday <i>St Joseph</i>	6.00 pm Mass followed by Adoration & Benediction until 7pm
Tuesday <i>Lent feria</i>	10.00am Funeral Mass of Thomas McDonagh 6.00 pm Mass followed by Rosary
Wednesday <i>Lent feria</i>	6.00 pm Mass 6.30pm Stations of the Cross
Thursday <i>Lent feria</i>	9.00 am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Prayers
Friday <i>Lent feria</i>	9.00 am Mass 9.30am Stations of the Cross
Saturday <i>Annunciation of the Lord</i>	9.30 am Mass 6.00 pm First Mass of Sunday
Sunday 25th March <i>Fifth 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

Today's Bible Readings:

In the first reading on Lent Sundays we hear in outline the story of salvation history in the Old Testament. Today we move onto David being chosen as the future King, and being anointed with oil by the prophet Samuel. In most monarchies, it is the oldest son who is chosen, but David is the youngest of Jesse's sons. This is because Samuel is told 'Man looks at appearances, but the Lord looks at the heart.' Following his anointing the Spirit of the Lord seizes hold of David and remains with him from then on.

In the Second Reading St Paul prepares us for the theme of the Gospel reading that Baptism gives us enlightenment, restores our spiritual sight. 'You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord.'

In the Gospel Jesus, gives sight to the man born blind. He anoints his eyes with paste and invites him to wash in the pool of Siloam, where he receives his sight. Just as candidates for baptism make a profession of faith, so does this man once healed. Jesus asks him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' Because the man is using his new spiritual, as well as physical, sight he replies, 'Lord. I believe' and worships him.

Today is Laetare Sunday the mid-Lent Sunday of rejoicing. It is also Mothering Sunday, when we shall give thanks for our own mothers, Mary the Mother of Jesus, and our

Holy Mother the Catholic Church. Flowers will be blessed and distributed to children to give to their mothers as a token of gratitude.

The Holy Week & Easter Services leaflet is ready to take away, giving the times of all liturgies, and of Confessions before Easter.

The Holy Week Readers' Volunteer Rota for the Passion on Palm Sunday, and for the liturgies of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday may be signed in the outer sacristy, or parish readers can volunteer by email. Copies of the Palm Sunday Passion, for those reading as narrator or single speaker, can also be taken.

Monday is the Feast of St Joseph, Spouse of Our Lady (transferred from Sunday 19th March.) Mass at 6.00 pm, followed at 6.30 by Adoration and Benediction until 7.00 pm.

Stations of the Cross this Wednesday at 6.30 pm, after 6.00 pm Mass, and Friday at 9.30 am, after 9.00 am Mass.

On Thursday at 11.30 am there is an Anniversary Requiem Mass for Baron Riccardo Carini, benefactor of the parish.

Saturday is the Annunciation of the Lord. Mass of the Feast at 9.30 am. The 6.00 pm Mass is the First Mass of Sunday.

Next Sunday, Fifth Sunday of Lent, is the beginning of Passiontide. The crosses and statues in the church are veiled in purple. Crosses unveiled on Good Friday, statues ready for Easter Sunday,

BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE continues Wednesdays at 8 PM in the parish centre.

Sunday 7th May Parish CORONATION LUNCH 11am-2pm.

Parishioners are invited to bring a dish and drinks to share.

Free event, in the grounds of Larmenier School, all welcome.



Please pray for the sick especially: Graham Fielder Smith, Ann McNally, Sr John, Bob Smith, Kizi Kamasho, Michael McGlynn, Carol Burnett, Michel Gastrein, Noel Horgan, Sebastian Pereira, Oliver Hurrell, Billie Clinton, Fr Nigel, Aleyda Franco, James Downes, Jenny Majumdar, Susan Gent, Frances Brady, Peter Dewar, Mae Higgins, Linda Pick, Sue Pachoa, Eulalia Morales, Raymond Gibbs, Lyda Franco and Eddie Hughes. **We commend to God those who died recently:** Marian Brennan, Mary Gilbert, Patricia Stewart **and those with anniversaries around this time:** Kathleen Chute, John and Ethna Clifford, Peter and Bridget Flaherty.

Funeral of Thomas 'Billy' McDonagh: Tue 21st March at 10am . May he rest in peace.