



St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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8th February 2015 ~ Fifth Sunday of the Year B

We Welcome...

People of All Faiths and Cultures
Divorced or Separated Persons
Families with Children
Those in Loving Relationships
Those in Difficulty
Married Couples
Single Persons
Those in Recovery
Travellers from Far and Near
Widows and Widowers
Visitors

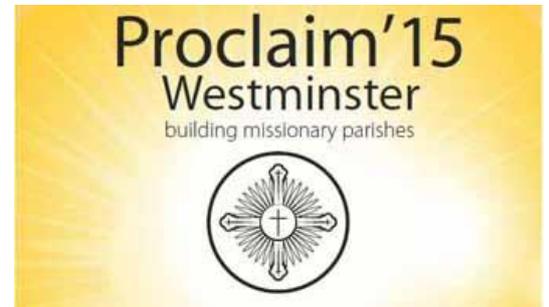
We Seek...

To live the Gospel of Jesus Christ
To Gather the Community and Tell the Story
To Sing and Make Music to the Lord
To Break the Bread and Share the Cup

We Celebrate...

Diversity
A spirit of hospitality
The unity that God wills
Enlightening those who seek God
Forming small faith communities
Reaching out to alienated Catholics
Reverencing the dignity of each person
Caring for the needs of the less fortunate
Empowering Christians to realise their call
Providing a spiritual Oasis
Honouring an understanding among all faiths
Nurturing our gifts and sharing them

Lent is almost with us and soon we will all ask ourselves, 'What can I do this Lent to get a bit closer to the Lord?' Have no fear, because this year our diocese is asking everyone to spend a little time in prayer, reflection and discussion, talking about those things which link our lives to our faith.



This process is called *Proclaim 15*. During Lent every parishioner will be given three leaflets that seek to explore the following themes.

1. What does it mean to have a relationship with Jesus?
2. How do we respond to that relationship?
3. What can we do to make that relationship strong so we can share it?

So far I have distributed the materials to our school and I hope that groups of parents will meet together. I have also written to leaders of the various groups in our parish, in the hope that they too will meet together during Lent. They will find letters and materials in their Pidgeon holes in the porch.

When you get your reflection material please don't just shove it in the draw, but see this as an invitation from Jesus to grow closer to him. Perhaps you might like to explore the themes as a family. Or if you have catholic neighbours on your street how about getting together with them. You can explore the materials alone, but this process really comes to life when it is shared with other people. The possibilities are endless.

What is really helpful is that the materials are very accessible and the time frame is flexible. There are just three sessions of 45 minutes held over the Lenten period. The dates and times of meeting are up to you. If you have a group and you have nowhere to meet let me know and I will find you a room in the parish.

Proclaim 15 is our response to Pope Francis' invitation in his document, *The Joy of the Gospel* to start to become Missionary Disciples. I hope that you will take up this invitation so that we can make this wonderful journey together.

Fr Shaun.

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 7th February (First Mass of Sunday)

18.00 Betty Carlin's Int

Sunday 8th – 5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

08.30 People of the Parish

10.00 Maureen Landy RIP

11.30 Michael Arulanantham (Anniv)

Monday 9th – Feria, Fifth Week of Year 1

09.30 Mr & Mrs Paulpillai RIP

Tuesday 10th – St Scholastica, Virgin

09.30 Mary Egan (Sick)

Wednesday 11th – Our Lady of Lourdes

19.00 Angela Clusker (Anniv)

Thursday 12th – Feria

09.30 Albert Smith (Anniv)

Friday 13th – Feria

09.30 John & Nora Riordan (Anniv)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 17.15-17.45

Please keep the sick in your prayers. A list of sick parishioners is displayed on the notice board at the back of the Church.

(SVP If you or your sick relative could benefit from a visit from the St Vincent de Paul Society, please inform the presbytery.)

Recently Deceased, James Monaghan, Thomas Foye, Mary Donaghue, Fred Longley.

Pray Also For, Michael Arulanantham, Angela Clusker, Albert Smith, John & Nora Riordan, Daisy Rowland, Robert O'Beirne, Neil Browne, Joe Donoghue, Patricia Martin, Daya Rajakarier, Florence Else, Donald Bayross, Martha Dyball, Tessa Corrigan, Bernard Hickin, Patricia Hannigan, Teresa Fernandes, Joan Hickey, Denny Bowles, George Ransley, Winnie McDonagh, Nora Broderick, Fr Jeremy D'Cruz, Kathleen Beesley, Cecilia Woodhall and Aurora Fernandes whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Mass on 16th to 20th February 2015 Please note that mass will be held in the Parish Hall on these days.

Parish 100 Club Winners Horan Family 1st prize - £125, Carol Carty 2nd prize - £100, Tony Thomas 3rd prize - £60, Julie Duggan 4th prize - £30.

Job Vacancy We have two cleaning positions within the Parish. The first is for a cleaner for our Parish centre, Mon to Fri 6.30am-8.30am. The second is for a cleaner/ironer for the presbytery, 6 hours a week. For further details please contact Julie Dauncey at our HR department on juliedauncey@rcdow.org.uk.

New Readers Meeting On Wednesday, 11th February after 7pm Mass (approx. 7.30pm) in the Church. Please let Kay know if you can't make it.

Altar Servers Next week 14th/15th Feb Team B will serve.

Mass for Altar Servers in Westminster Cathedral On Saturday, 14th February, 2015 at 2.30pm. Principal Celebrant Rt. Rev. Alan Williams S.M. Bishop of Brentwood. If you would like to attend please contact Kay O'Connor on 020 8429 5682 or kayoconnor@rcdow.org.uk.

SJF Young Adults Group This is a space for all Young Adults in their 20s and 30s to come together on every first Sunday of the month to get to know one another, get more involved in the life of the parish and the diocese, discuss and grow in their faith, as well as socialise. Everyone is most welcome. For more information please contact Johnpromise at promisemagnus@yahoo.com or Sherna Bhadresa

at sherna_bhadresa@msn.com / [07899938438](https://www.facebook.com/SJFYoungAdults). Our Facebook page is: 'SJF Young Adults'.

St John Fisher Social Club AGM Today at 7.30pm in the small hall.

Coffee Morning We look forward to welcoming you all to our 'Valentine's' coffee morning on Sunday, 15th February after both the 10.00am and 11.30am Masses. Please come and join us for a heart-shaped scone or a red velvet cupcake! Raffle tickets on sale after both Masses and all proceeds to our church.

Pancake Evening – Tuesday, 17th February We will be cooking and serving pancakes in our church hall on pancake day from 7pm-8.30pm. Have your pancakes made warm and ready for you. We welcome donations of pancakes or mix for us to cook. All donations help to raise money for St Luke's hospice. During Lent, one of our local churches prepares each Saturday a soup and sandwich lunch for the same cause. Venues will be in this bulletin.

Annual Mass for all those buried in Harrow Weald Cemetery Will take place at All Saints Church, Uxbridge Rd, Harrow Weald on Monday, 16th February at 11am. This Mass will also include all those buried in Carpenders Park Cemetery.

Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony at Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 23rd May 2015 at 3pm The Archbishop will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2015. If you qualify, please contact Claudia on claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk or 8429 5681 by **Friday, 27th February 2015** with the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

Pilgrimage to Lourdes May 11th-15th 2015. £500 Inc. Full board in the Agena Hotel, Trans. to airport, Insurance and 2 trips. Contact John O'Sullivan 0208 459 0279.

Diocesan Job Vacancies For more info please visit <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/>.

In case you are admitted to hospital In light of data protection, please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

Mass Intentions Thank you for your mass intentions which are greatly appreciated. We have Mass cards in the Church porch: for the living and for the dead. The cards are 50p each (please put money in 'papers' box at the back of the Church) and the offering suggested by the Diocese for a Mass is £10. If, however, you cannot afford this, £5 will suffice. If you would like to have a Mass offered, please contact Claudia on 020 8429 5681 or claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk.

Getting Married Please remember that it is a requirement of the Bishops Conference of England and Wales that at least six months notice be given if you intend to get married. We need this time to process the paperwork and to ensure that you can have access to Marriage Preparation.

Leaving the Parish or Change of Address? Please advise Claudia McHugh on claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk or 020 8429 5681 so we may amend our records. Thank you.

New to the Parish? Please make yourself known after Mass to either Fr Shaun or Kay O'Connor so you may be registered and provided with all the relevant information.