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13th FEBRUARY 2022 – 6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 10.00am Mass and highlighted Masses livestreamed on 'St John Fisher North Harrow' YouTube channel

12th Sat Blessed Virgin Mary On Saturday
10.00am Patrick Joseph Cusack RIP

Vigil of Sunday

6.00pm Mary Morgan

13th Sun **6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8.30 am Mary Conway RIP

10.00am Paddy & Tilly O'Connor RIP

12noon People of the Parish

14th Mon SS Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

10.00am Michael Donnelly RIP

15th Tue feria

10.00am Patrick Joseph Cusack RIP

16th Wed feria

10.00am Bella McMahon

17th Thu The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order,

7.00pm Oliver Martin & Family

18th Fri feria

10.00am Patrick Joseph Cusack

19th Sat Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

10.00am Tony Graydon RIP

Vigil of Sunday

6.00pm People of the Parish

20th Sun **7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8.30 am Kathleen Farmer RIP

10.00am Jean Gabriel (Get Well)

12noon Bob Charles RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10.30-11.30am & 5.15-5.45pm
and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 9am-9.45am; Saturday after Mass-11.30am

First Friday (with Benediction): after Mass – 11.30am **Baptisms, Funerals & Weddings** – by appointment – speak to Fr Axcel or Fr Graham after Mass

Sacrament of the Sick – please speak to a priest or contact the parish office leaving a message if there is no reply

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY 2022

This year Racial Justice Sunday falls on 13 February. The theme is "In the Image and Likeness of God" celebrating different presentations of the Holy Family from different countries and cultures.

If you would like to learn more please click on the link of the bishop's conference website if you are accessing this newsletter online: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/rjs22>.

It is important to be aware of racism and discrimination and learn how we act against it in a peaceful a loving manner. We are all children of God and we are all made in his image. The images of the Holy Family in diverse ways are a perfect example that we are all different, called to the same holy life. The life of the Trinity. The life of the family of God. Loving each other without distinctions.



We are encouraged to mark the day by praying the words of Pope Francis taken from his encyclical letter *Fratelli Tutti* – on *fraternity and social friendship*:

Come, Holy Spirit, show us your beauty,
reflected in all the peoples of the earth,
so that we may discover anew
that all are important and all are necessary,
different faces of the one humanity
that God so loves.

Amen.

May the Lord bless you.

Fr Axcel

Reflect on next Sunday's Readings with the help of
www.wednesdayword.org
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Samuel 26:2-23, Psalm 102, 1 Corinthians 15:45-49,
Luke 6:27-38

REGULAR NOTICES

If you or a sick relative could benefit from a visit from the parish **St Vincent de Paul Society**, please contact the parish office or SVP direct on **07935 776298**.

If you would like a visit from the priest and/or to regularly receive **Holy Communion**, please contact the parish office.

Recently deceased – Tony English, Fr Seamus McGeoghan, Fr Per Einar Odden, Peter Snell

Pray also for Joan Hickey, Denny Bowles, George Ransley, Winnie McDonagh, Nora Broderick, Fr Jeremy D’Cruz, Kathleen Beesley, Cecilia Woodhall, Aurora Fernandes, Bella D’Souza, Libia Lemos, David Notley, Bridget Davis, Terisa Stokes, Johnh Duffy, Scaria Joseph, Eileen Reilly, Ann Kelleher, Matilda Stanislaus, Oswald McCarthy, Sheila Wlodarczyk, Theresa Orakwue, Agnes D’Souza, Paricia Rebbitt, Bridget Mary Hoft, Terence “Terry” Malone, Winifred Roache, John Foley, Pat Ryan and all whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

Confirmation – Confirmation registration has begun. Please can candidates collect the registration forms from Fr Axcel or Fr Graham after any Mass. The deadline for the candidates to return the forms is **2nd March, Ash Wednesday**. Once we have received your application Father Axcel will send you a letter. There will be a Confirmation induction meeting in the church at **4.30pm on 5th March** for the Candidates and their parents, please keep that date free as it is important.

100 Club – The 2020 and 2021 draws for the 100 club have now been made by two parishioners. Please see the notice in the porch for the winners’ names or visit the notice on the parish website at <https://stjohnfisher.files.wordpress.com/2022/01/100-club-winners-2020-2021.pdf> . Please contact the parish office to organise payment. Parishioners who have already been in touch can collect their cheques after Mass or from the Parish Office (Mon-Thu 9.30am – 1pm)

Harrow Emergency Support Scheme – Help with living costs. The scheme is open to Harrow residents who are struggling to cope with living costs. Harrow Residents wishing to apply can email advice@citizensadviceharrow.org.uk or telephone 0808 250 5705. Full details can be found on the Church Notice Board. All applicants for the scheme must apply by 18th March.

Gift Aid Scheme: We thank everyone who ‘Gift Aids’ their donations to the parish enabling us to claim back the tax paid on your offering at no cost to you. If you are a member of the scheme but are no longer a taxpayer contact the Parish Bookkeeper (harrownorthbookkeeper@rcdow.org.uk). If you would be a taxpayer and do not currently Gift Aid your donations to the parish but would like to please also get in touch.

Planned Giving Envelopes – With the welcome increase in donations by standing order and the decline in the use of cash we have had to dispose of many uncollected planned giving envelopes for this year. For the next financial year we will be purchasing planned giving envelopes for those who have donated to the parish this way during the last two years. If you have not

used your envelopes for more than two years but would still like to receive them please contact the parish office.

Northwick Park Hospital Chaplaincy. Father Agustin Paunon is the Catholic chaplain serving Northwick Park/St Marks, Central Middlesex and Ealing Hospitals. To refer a Catholic patient to be visited by the Catholic Chaplain please call 020 8869 2113 or email either agustinpaunon@nhs.net or lnwh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

The Social Club AGM will be taking place on Sunday 27th February in the small hall at 7:30pm. Please also note that membership renewals are now due for 2022. After the last two difficult years, we look forward to welcoming you back."

LENT 2022

Maintenance to Mission – The launch of our conversation on parish renewal was postponed last autumn. But there is an exciting online discussion between three key players in this area including Fr James Mallon, author of ‘Divine Renovation’ and Bishop Robert Barron founder of ‘Word on Fire.’ This is taking place on **Shrove Tuesday, 1st March**. We hope to watch together whilst enjoying pancakes! More details to follow.

Ash Wednesday - Masses with the distribution of ashes will take place at **10 am and 7pm**

Stations of the Cross will take place on Friday mornings and evenings during Lent. We are inviting parishioners to lead the Stations of the Cross **after Friday morning Mass**; please contact the parish office if you would like to do this; there are many texts available in the sacristy to choose from. There will be a **Friday evening mass at 7pm** in Lent followed by Father Graham or Father Axcel leading Stations of the Cross.

From 1st Sunday of Lent, 6th March, the **12 Noon mass will revert back to 11.30 am**. Mass intentions booked for the 12 Noon mass will be transferred to the 11.30am Mass.

Churches Together in North Harrow Lent house groups - The course will explore the Beatitudes encouraging us to examine our lifestyle in the light of Jesus' radical teaching and to live out these kingdom values now. The days and times of house group meetings will be organised when numbers wishing to attend are known. Please let the parish office know by **Wednesday 16th February** if you would be interested in joining a group should a suitable time for you be offered.

Saturday morning retreat and Lenten Confessions with visiting priests – details to follow

DEANERY & DIOCESAN NOTICES

Parish Administrator: Harrow South & Northolt Parish is looking for a Parish Administrator. 22.5 hours per week. Salary: £13 per hour Closing date: 25 February 2022 at noon Full details available at <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/parish-administrator-harrow-south-northolt/> More details on notice in church porch.

Gala Irish Concert - at Salvatorian College, High Road, Harrow Weald from 7.30pm-11pm on **Saturday 26th February** supporting the British Heart Foundation and Michael Sobell Hospice. For more details see notice in church porch

OTHER NOTICES (online only)

Examination Invigilators - St Dominic's Sixth Form College are looking for Examination Invigilators to provide support for both public and college mock examinations in May and June 2022. For more information please see notice on church notice board.

Retrouvaille, A Lifeline for Marriage - Has Covid-19 put you under more stress as a couple? Is your marriage become stressed, unloving, cold? Do you argue more? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, are you thinking about it? Do you want to try again? The Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need! The next programme commences with a weekend **3rd-6th March**. For more information, Telephone or text 0788 729 6983 (Complete confidentiality assured.) Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit <https://www.retrouvaille.org.uk>

St Vincent's Nursing Home in Pinner is looking to appoint a General Manager who has experience working in a health and social care setting to provide strong leadership to a team who care passionately about the residents in their care. For more information please see notice on church notice board.

St Scholastica's Retreat - The Trustees are seeking to appoint a Warden & Clerk to the Trustees for this almshouse charity that provides sheltered housing for Catholics in financial need aged 60 or over. For details of the role and how to apply, see notice on church notice board or visit www.stscholasticas.co.uk/warden-clerk-vacancy