

Mass Intentions

Third Sunday of Lent (C)

Saturday 6th March 2010

6.30pm Fred Miller RIP

Sunday 7th March February 2010

8.30am Doris Doherty RIP

10.30am Evelyn Scally RIP

Monday 8th March 2010

9.15am Maureen Gattrell RIP

11.30am at Shalom: For the People

Tuesday 9th March 2010

No 9.15am Mass

11.30am at Shalom: Sister Mary Agness

Wednesday 10th March 2010

9.15am Janet Ann Fenwick RIP

11.30am at Shalom: Private Intention

Thursday 11th March 2010

9.15am Elizabeth & Alexander Greatorex RIP

Friday 12th March 2010

9.15am Joan Jordan RIP

Saturday 13th March 2010

9.15am Intention of John Dolan

Fourth Sunday of Lent (C)

6.30pm Lillian Sullivan RIP

Sunday 14th March 2010

8.30am Mary Kathleen Larch RIP

10.30am GE Maureen Saunders

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 9.40am-10.00am and 6.00pm-6.25pm

Anniversaries of Death: Helen Bye, George Ward, Michael Teal, Sara Fisher, Irene Small, Joseph Cerutti, Maureen Gabrell, Charles Cooper, Edith Loaker, Dick Whyte, Francis Lintott, Daniel O'Halloran, William Griffith, Maria Theaves, Albert Winterton, Reg Clemas, Edward O'Loughlin, Billy Chandler, John Hennessy, Margaret Hoey, Miriam Nutt, Amy Gumm†

Offertory Collection: Gift Aid: £503.00

Non Gift Aid: £170.00

CAFOD: £218.00

Social Club: £500.00

Many thanks for your generous offerings.

RCIA: meeting in Social Room at 8pm. All are welcome who wish to enquire or learn more about the Catholic faith.

God said: "I am who I am"

God the creator of all things is faithful to his word.

He is the one who acts, who intervenes in our lives, so that we turn to him in repentance.

Despite God's goodness to the Jews in the desert many of them fell away from their belief.

The events that happened to them in the Old Testament are a warning to us lest we make the same mistakes.

Bidding Prayers:

Reader: Lead us:

Response: **Heavenly Father, lead us.**

Catechumens and candidates: Following last week's report on the Rite of Election some have asked who is a catechumen. In the first centuries after Christ's death the only people received into the church were adults who had not been baptised. The process of preparation, called the Catechumenate, led to the sacraments of initiation; Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Those people were called Catechumens and the process that took place in the local community could last several years. The Catechumenate was revived by the Church after the Second Vatican Council and introduced in England and Wales in 1986. Candidates are those wishing to become a Catholic who have already been baptised. Catechumens and Candidates prepare together and both are received into the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday.

Lenten Alms Box: The giving of money for the relief of peoples necessities is a traditional Lenten practice. The Lenten Alms box is to help the Cambri Children's Society in their effort to promote the welfare of young people and families in disadvantaged communities. The Lenten Alms box is situated on the liturgical platform. Do keep it in mind.

Cabrini Children's Society is holding a family charity day in conjunction with Surrey Gliding School at Kenley Airfield, Surrey on Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2010. For further information contact Ann Hoggan as soon as possible by phoning 020 8668 2181.

First Communion Class: Last Sunday they took part in the 10.30 Mass and in a very laudable

way. I hope and pray that they will participate in the Sunday Mass every Sunday. Mass attendance is a most essential way of nourishing our faith. Children preparing to receive Holy Communion are doing a necessary means of helping them in the growth of their faith. Many parishioners put great effort and give a lot of time in doing this every Saturday morning. I am grateful to them for this commitment. All their efforts and time are worthless without the support, prayers and enthusiasm of parents. If parents do not cooperate by family prayer, preparing for Holy Communion in collaboration with like catechists and communion programme then all efforts will be fruitless. Parents you bring your children for Holy Communion preparation so that they may progress better in their Catholic formation. I remind parents again of what they said they would do when they asked to have their child baptised. The celebrating priest asked "will you bring this child up according to the teaching of the Catholic Church?" They always answer me "yes". I hope such answers are sincere and honest.

Keeping the Sabbath Holy: As Catholics we have a duty to attend Mass every Sunday unless there is a reasonable excuse. Duty is a word most people in our modern world do not like to think about. We are very happy and at home in talking about "rights". So often people of moral ideas say to me "we hear a lot about the charter of rights these days but where are there any mention of the charter of duties". In that latter statement there is a lot of food for thought. More next week.

The Sanctity of Marriage: Marriage is a very grace giving sacrament for the benefit of man, woman and family. Again it is another non-mentioned subject in our modern life. Why! Marriage is another duty which helps, supports and commits a man and woman to each other, children, home, family and society. An old proverb states "Whatever supports stability, security and trust in people's lives is to be implemented with prayer, education and dedication". The Church in its efforts to support marriages and family life has now renewed its efforts to encourage such an important entity. There will be a Mass in Celebration of the

Sacrament of Marriage at St. George's Cathedral on 12th June 2010. If you are celebrating your 10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please give your names as soon as possible to me. See notice board for further details.

Lent: Again a reminder to do penance in a very special way. Do give thought to coming to Mass on a weekday, doing the stations on Wednesday or attending benediction on Friday. Lent is a special time for prayer, fasting and alms giving. We all need to do penance. The aforementioned are some examples there are many more like visiting the sick, giving up something we especially like.

Security: Following recent incidents Police and our Risk Assessors have recommended the security aspect of the Church and Centre be improved as part of our duty of care. Work has started on the first phase at a cost £1300 which I am pleased to inform you is being funded by the Social Room.

Social Club: Many thanks to them for their monthly donation of £500. Much appreciated. They are hoping to have more involvement from many others in the Parish. A social life in the Parish brings many good results for parishioners and the community. I am grateful to the governors and their management team for their efforts, time and enthusiasm.



Social Room:

Come and celebrate
ST PATRICK'S DAY
in the Social Room on
Saturday 13th March
and enjoy a traditional
Irish meal of Cabbage
and Bacon.

Meal tickets available at the
bar: £3

Membership renewal now due £1 please.

The Social Room is now open Thursday,

Friday, Saturday 7.30 – 11.00pm

Sunday 12.00 – 2.00pm.

BINGO every Thursday evening.

