

Saturday 9th March St Frances of Rome	10am Anna Roche RIP 3pm Padre Pio talk followed by Adoration, Rosary and Confession 6pm Ann Marchetti RIP
Sunday 10th March FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT	10am Michele Cattini RIP 4pm Stations of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary 5.30pm People of the Parish
Monday 11th March	No Mass
Tuesday 12th March	10am Christiane Bootheway RIP
Wednesday 13th March	10am Ted O'Sullivan RIP
Thursday 14th March	10am Mary Anne Kelly RIP 10:30am To 1pm Eucharistic Adoration
Friday 15th March	10am Cecilia Fernandes Ints 10:30am To 1pm Eucharistic Adoration 6:30pm (Latin Mass) Giancarlo Fois RIP
Saturday 16th March	10am Holy Souls 6pm People of the Parish
Sunday 17th March FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT	10am Mary Doyle RIP and Thaddeus Cummins Birthday Ints 4pm Stations of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary 5:30pm Ann Fanthome RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:
Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Natalie Pell, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, James Gledhill, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Paul Gismondi, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Jason Moreno, Shirley Monaco, Gemma Morgan and Jenny Schlegel.
Please pray for all those who have died recently.

Together the Catholic parishes of Barnes, East Sheen, Ham, Kew, Mortlake, Putney, Richmond, Roehampton and Wimbledon Common form Mortlake Deanery.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

To meet our budget we need £1,600 each week

Sunday's offering was	£740.39
Contactless	£284.00
Standing Orders	£400.00
Total	£1424.39

Thank you for your generosity

This is a School Voucher Sunday

OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL
Victoria Drive, London SW19 6AD
Tel: 020 8788 7420
Head Teacher: Jeremy Tuke BA Hons PGCE
www.ourladyqueenofheaven.wandsworth.sch.uk

PARISH VOUCHER SYSTEM

Those people who will require a reference when applying to a Catholic School need to participate in this. By signing the vouchers the parish keeps a record of your mass attendance which is referred to when signing school reference forms.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (B)
GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel we have the famous verse,

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. (John 3:16)

We see this salvation from the cross in the image of Divine Mercy. Two rays of light stream from Jesus' heart, one red and one white. This recalls what we read in John's Gospel when Jesus died. A soldier pierced Jesus' side with his spear and blood and water flowed out (John 19:34). When a person dies, the right auricle of the heart fills with blood but not the left side. This means the soldier pierced Jesus' heart with his lance from the right. John makes a little fuss over the blood and water, saying there is eyewitness testimony to it (John 19:35). John emphasizes it because the early Church understood the blood and water symbolizing the sacraments coming to us from Jesus on the cross; the blood and water signifying the sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist. All our life of grace comes to us from Christ on the cross.

This gift of our salvation from God is completely unmerited on our part. We do not deserve this because of our sins. We did not earn salvation from God. It is all a gift to us from God. As our second reading from the Letter to the Ephesians said,

For by grace you have been saved through faith and this is not from you; it is the gift of God. (Eph 2:8)

God gives this gift to us because he loves us. Again, as our second reading today says,

God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

This gift from God to us cost a huge amount. It cost God

his Son. God prevented Abraham from sacrificing his son Isaac, but God sacrificed his son, Jesus, for our salvation. You might sometimes hear someone saying that something is deeper than Christianity and Catholicism. Just because something such as an ancient burial ground is older than Christianity does not mean it is deeper. You will find nothing deeper than God loving the world so much that he gave his only Son for us. That is the deepest of all.

Contemplating all that God has done for us, it is a great sadness when people do not love God, are indifferent towards God and basically ignore God. This is what Jesus said to St. Faustina concerning lukewarm souls:

These souls wound my heart most painfully. My soul suffered the most dreadful loathing in the Garden of Olives because of lukewarm souls. They were the reason I cried out: "Father, take this cup away from me, if it be your will." For them, the last hope of salvation is to flee to my mercy. (Diary of St. Faustina §1228)

On the other hand, Jesus said to St. Faustina concerning devout and faithful souls:

These souls brought me consolation on the Way of the Cross. They were that drop of consolation in the midst of an ocean of bitterness. (Diary of St. Faustina §1214)

So, contemplating that God loved us so much that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life, that Jesus had to be lifted up so that all who believe in him may have eternal life, we do not want to be among those who made Jesus cry out that his cup be taken from him. Instead, we want to be Jesus' consolation on the way to Calvary.

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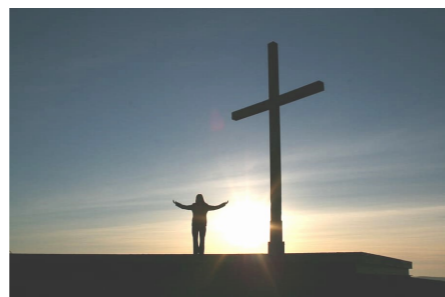
PARISH NEWS

LENTEN TALKS on the theme of "Forgiveness"

Please come along at 7pm for the following talks, Adoration and the opportunity for Confession:

Tuesday 12th March - Fr Dominic Allain

Wednesday 20th March - Fr Paul Diaper



Hail Holy Queen Prayer

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope.

To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.
To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Amen

THE WINNERS OF SUNDAY 10th March 200 CLUB

1	15	Marco Farina
2	193	Jennifer Cornish

MASS INTENTIONS AND THE GIFT AID SCHEME

Please remember to Gift Aid your Mass Intention donations if you are a taxpayer.

For every £1 you give to the parish, we can get another 25p.

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Please speak to:
John O' Reilly 07977 538671.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

What does it mean to say that God is almighty?

God reveals himself as "the strong one, the almighty one" (Psalm 24:8), as the one "to whom nothing is impossible" (Luke 1:37). His omnipotence is universal, mysterious and shows itself in the creation of the world out of nothing and humanity out of love; but above all it shows itself in the Incarnation and the Resurrection of his Son, in the gift of filial adoption and in the forgiveness of sins. For this reason the Church directs her prayers to the almighty and eternal God.

Legion of Mary

Junior Praesidium Our Lady of Morning Star meet on Tuesdays at 3:50pm.

Junior Intermediate Praesidium Our Lady of Guadeloupe meets on Sundays at 11.15am.

Parish Hall—Bookings

If you are planning an event and would like to use the Parish Hall, bookings can be made by emailing

bookingsolsp@gmail.com

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Lent Stations of the Cross

We pray The Stations of the Cross in the church every Sunday during Lent at 4pm with Adoration and Rosary



Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the 10am Mass on Sunday



If you would like to donate towards the running of the Parish you can do so by scanning this QR Code into your mobile phone

NOTICE BOARD

POOR PARISHES - Second Collection next weekend 16th/17th March

OPEN MORNINGS

The Laurels School, for girls aged 11 to 18, is holding an Open Morning on Saturday 16th March. Details are on the school website, [www.thelaurelsschool.org.uk]www.thelaurelsschool.org.uk
Our Lady's Close, Crystal Palace, London SE19 3FA

Oakwood School, for children aged 4 to 11, is holding an Open Morning on Thursday 21st March. Details are on the school website, www.oakwoodschool.org.uk 020 8674 7229 147 Central Hill, Crystal Palace, London SE19 1RS

Both schools have a Catholic ethos and are situated in Crystal Palace, with transport available from many areas.

Beginning Experience – A weekend away for a lifetime of change

Following separation, divorce or death of your spouse/partner, to help you move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning.

The next weekend is 12-14- April 2024 at Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex, CM15 9BX. Call for more information 07795 498445 or 020 8647 4760, email besouthofengland@gmail.com

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