

**Important** – Please do not leave money for repository items, papers or candles in baskets in the church. All monies should be placed in the secure boxes on the wall.

**Lenten Alms Appeal – Caritas Westminster** Our 2016 Lenten Alms appeal will be in support of Caritas Westminster, the official social outreach arm of the Diocese of Westminster. Lent is the perfect time for us to think of those suffering without – the poor, the marginalised, the least among us – and to make a sacrifice through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Caritas Westminster works across our Diocese, throughout London and Hertfordshire, enabling and co-ordinating parish communities to find practical solutions that address a variety of local social needs. For example, rough sleeping, food poverty, human trafficking, youth employability and loneliness. During Lent there will be two second collections in support of Caritas Westminster. Please take a Caritas Westminster flyer as you leave Mass today. *You can also get more information about Caritas Westminster (and make a donation online) at [www.rcdow.org.uk/caritas](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/caritas)*

**Holy Year Programme** – The Year of Mercy. The Door of Mercy is open at Westminster Cathedral, and there is an exhibition inside the cathedral which ends in the opportunity for confession. There will be a Diocesan Day Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 9 July – we will be taking a group from St Patrick's. More details to follow very soon.

**World Youth Day** – Bookings are now coming in fast from individuals and groups across the diocese to take part in the young adults' pilgrimage to Krakow. 18 July – 1 August. Any young people aged 18-35 who are interested in taking part should see me as soon as possible. It will be an amazing experience!

**Under 7s Football** – Football training this Sunday 7 February in Wapping Park after the morning Mass. Any enquiries please see Jamie Monehen or Dave Matthews.

**Hurtado Centre** – Faith sharing for young adults. Tuesday's 2<sup>nd</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> Feb and 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March from 7.30pm – 9.30pm. The evening starts with a light meal leading into prayer and discussion on the scriptures. More information available from Rebecca at the Hurtado Centre by contacting [welcome@hurtadocentre.org.uk](mailto:welcome@hurtadocentre.org.uk)

**Carmelite Prayer Group** – Meets this Monday 8 Feb at 7.30pm in the Sacristy. See Carla for more details.

### **Safeguarding**

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## **ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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### **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Jubilee Year of Mercy - Sunday 7 February 2016*

Parish Mass  
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#### **MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

Sat 6 Feb	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun 7	10.00am	Nora Fuller (RIP)
	6.30pm	Artists Community
Mon 8	9.00am	Priest's Intentions
Tue 9	9.00am	Anna Greek (RIP)
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	Priest's Intentions
	<b>7.00pm</b>	People of the Parish
Thur 11	9.00am	Priest's Intentions
Fri 12	9.00am	Derek & Martin Hoy
Sat 13	6.30pm	Kath & Tom Leek (RIP)
Sun 14	10.00am	Therese & Hannah (Ints)
	6.30pm	Dora Israel (RIP)

**Holy Hour (Adoration):** Tuesdays 9.30-10.30am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 6.00pm (please see Fr David)

*In light of the Data Protection Act 1998, **please indicate on entering hospital** that your details may be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also, state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.*



**Please pray for the sick in the Parish**, especially: Bridie McGuinness, Monica Ryan, Chrissie Long, Eileen Gallagher, Kate McCarthy, Fraser McDonald, Sabrina Pillai, Maggie James, Dan McAlinden, Kevin Ashby, Peggy Duggan, Mary Wallace, Kathleen Kitto, Maureen & Dennis Franey, Alice Thorne.

**Weekly Offertory (Loose Plate & Envelopes): £ Standing Orders (weekly): £702**

**FR DAVID WRITES:**

Dear Parishioners,

This Wednesday is **Ash Wednesday**. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten season – a time of grace which leads us to the Paschal celebrations of Our Lord’s death and resurrection at Holy Week and Easter. Lent is a time of growth when we are encouraged to make progress in the spiritual life.

Masses on Ash Wednesday will be celebrated here at 9am and 7pm. There will be the blessing and giving of ashes at both Masses as a sign of our sorrow and hope.

Ash Wednesday is a day of **fasting and abstinence**. Fasting means the amount of food we eat is considerably reduced, and abstinence means we also refrain from eating meat or from some other activity, as a form of penance. The tools of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Next Sunday we will celebrate the First Sunday of Lent. Next week is also the Second Sunday celebration at the 6.30pm Mass.

God bless you all during the coming week.

Fr David

**PILGRIMAGE TO ROME FOR THE HOLY YEAR - JUNE 2016**

The Parish Priest of Somers Town, Fr Jeremy, and I have arranged a joint pilgrimage for our parishes to Rome to mark the Holy Year. A pilgrimage to Rome is a key element of celebrating the jubilee. The dates will be Monday 6 – Friday 10 June 2016. Flying with BA from Gatwick to Rome return. Half board, staying at the Domus Internationalis Paulus VI residence in central Rome. The programme will be led by Fr Jeremy and me, and will include daily Mass and visits to the four Papal Basilicas to explore their history and walk through the Holy Doors. Hopefully, there will be an opportunity to attend the weekly Papal Audience with Francis. Price per person is £629. Forms are at the back of church, next to the newspapers. Please book directly with Pax Travel. The bookings from both parishes will be strictly on a *first come, first served* basis so please be quick if you would like to go.

**Two of our artists** at St Patrick’s Studios & Creative Workshops were recently commissioned by Cardinal Vincent Nichols to create the Way of Mercy Stations currently on display at Westminster Cathedral. Bernard Allen and Mike Quirke prepared the Holy Door and painted icons for the cathedral’s 10 stations attracting visitors and pilgrims in the Jubilee Year of Mercy. The stations are at the cathedral until the 20th November 2016 so please do try to visit and take a look at their great work.

*All: Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy; hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

*Priest: Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.*

*All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

**First Holy Communion Parents and Children** – Meeting today Sunday 7 Feb in the school hall at 11.15am. This is the last session before half term.

**Adoration Afternoon at Allen Hall** – Sunday 1 May 3pm -5pm. The afternoon will start with tea and biscuits with the Seminarians and staff. Followed by a talk from the Rector/Vice-rector and a short tour of the House. There will then be Adoration and Vespers at 4pm before the afternoon finishes at 5. Spaces are limited to 30 people so please do get back to Lucy as soon as possible if you are interested in going. I am sure that Fr William will be delighted to see everyone as well. \*Please note there will be some walking involved as the closest underground station is Sloane Square. Details to follow later on journey arrangements.

**Cardinal’s Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony** - Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 3pm. The Archbishop will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2016. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife’s names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email) by the 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY AT ST PATRICK’S  
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND MISSALS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH.  
PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF THE PARISH TEAM IF YOU HAVE ANY SPECIAL NEEDS.  
WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AT THE SIDE OF CHURCH