

## Our Lady of Loreto & St Winefride

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## 25 February 2024

### Second Sunday of Lent (B)

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#### Masses & Intentions

Sat 24

6pm (First Mass of Sunday)

People of the Parish

Sun 25

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**2nd Collection: CAFOD Lent Fast Day**

9.30am

(Children's Mass)

*No Intention Requested*

11am

Hannah Henry RIP

Mon 26

**Feria**

9.30am

Marie Moore RIP

Tues 27

**Feria**

9.30am

*No Intention Requested*

Wed 28

*No Mass Today*

Thurs 29

**Feria**

9.30am

*No Intention Requested*

Fri 1 March

**St David, Bishop, Patron of Wales**

9.30am

Pauline & John Kelly RIP

Sat 2

6pm (First Mass of Sunday)

*No Intention Requested*

Sun 3

**Third Sunday of Lent**

9.30am

*No Intention Requested*

11am

People of the Parish

**4th-8th March No Mass (Canon John on Retreat)**

**Church Opening for Private Prayer** The church will open from 9.30am until 12noon on weekday mornings when there is a Mass.

**Our prayers are requested for those unwell:** Mary Birch, Margaret Chittick, Ann Gregan, Fiona Hopwood, Helen Lewis and Liza Maxwell; and we hold in prayer at this time King Charles and Catherine, Princess of Wales.



**Anniversaries** We remember in prayer those whose anniversaries occur around this time: George Gordon-Smith, Hannah Henry, Mary (Molly) Kierans, Margaret Glynes King, Sarah Porter. May they rest in peace.

**Stations of the Cross during Lent** Each Friday of Lent at 7pm (except Friday 8th March). This week: Cross Examinations – The imagined words of Christ.

**Lent Reflections** Why not sign up for Daily Lent Reflections direct into your inbox from our Diocese's Spirituality Commission: [www.southwarkdsc.org.uk](http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk).

#### Parish News

**Welcome to Nicholas Varnfield**, baptised at St Winefride's this weekend. Please pray for Nicholas, his parents and godparents.

**Welcoming at Mass** has been identified as a priority for our parish and it's something we do well. We are very grateful to the 3 parishioners who Welcome at 9.30am Mass on Sundays, and if we are to continue to offer a welcome at this Mass every week we need more parishioners to come forward and share the role. The 9.30am Sunday Mass is very well attended and this is a straightforward role, offering a warm welcome to our church, handing out Mass books etc. and can be completed by individuals and families alike. We are grateful to have 9 parishioners who Welcome at each of the 6pm and 11am Masses and we really need to have the same number for the 9.30am Mass. Please speak to Canon John or contact Julia in the parish office to add your name to the list: [kewgardens@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:kewgardens@rcaos.org.uk) / 020 8940 3101.

#### Lent 2024

**Cancellation: Monday 26th February 7pm** This social event will no longer be taking place due to availability of speakers. However, we look forward to hearing from Sir Vincent Fean:

**Friends of the Holy Land** On the weekend of 9th/10th March, Sir Vincent Fean, Advocate Volunteer, will visit our parish and speak about the work of the Friends and the difference it makes to the small Christian population in Israel, the West Bank and Gaza (Palestine) and Jordan. Sir Vincent will share the impact of the horrific developments since 7th October on the Christian community in Gaza and elsewhere. There will be a second collection and Sir Vincent will bring some leaflets about the work of FHL. For more information, [visit www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk](http://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk).

**General Collection Gift Aid** For the parish general collection, many donors have made the switch from numbered gift aid envelopes to standing order, and we encourage others to consider doing so. **For those of you**

**with envelopes**, please ensure you let Teresa Chance know if your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax or if you wish to switch to standing order. You can contact Teresa via the Parish Office or directly on 07941 913282. **To New Donors:** please see the Gift Aid area of the parish website <https://www.stwinefrides.org.uk/gift-aid/>. **Please do consider setting up a standing order as your way of committing to your support of the continuing celebration of Mass in our church.**

Please contact Teresa directly if you have any questions. Thank you all very much for your generosity.

**First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion Programme 2024 (FRHC 2024)** The third session for registered children will be on Saturday 2nd March at 4pm in the hall. Please arrive in good time so that we can start punctually. Please pray for all involved in this year's FRHC Programme, especially our children and their families.

**Confirmation 2024** Thank you to those who have enrolled in this year's Confirmation Programme. Canon John has now been in touch with parents.

**Scripture Study/Prayer Group** will next meet at 10am on Tuesday 12th March in the presbytery (1, Leyborne Park). Perhaps something for Lent!

**Parish Choirs** Our Organist and Choirmaster, Michael Bevan, is always pleased to hear from parishioners who would like to join the choirs. If you would like to get involved please contact him directly: 07901 947139 / [mrbb20@gmail.com](mailto:mrbb20@gmail.com).

**Proposed Parish Pilgrimages  
in honour of our two parish patrons**

**St Winefride's Well, Holywell, N. Wales**

Seventeen people will be making the pilgrimage to St Winefride's Well on 14th-15th May.

**Loreto (The Holy House), NE Italy**

A longer-term project! Proposed for early May 2025:  
4-day Pilgrimage to Loreto (Tradition of Mary's house in Nazareth, miraculously transported to this site in Italy) and Assisi. More details to follow in a few months' time.

**The Society of St Vincent De Paul (SVP)** exists in the parish to help those in need by providing companionship, transport, practical assistance and modest financial help. If you or someone you know needs help, please contact the SVP by email at: [svpkewgardens@gmail.com](mailto:svpkewgardens@gmail.com), or speak to Canon John.

**Diocesan, Local & National News**

**First Friday Lunch** This much-loved Community occasion will re-commence on Friday 1st March at a new venue - The Avenue Club, Kew Community Centre, St Luke's in The Avenue, TW9 2AJ. A lunch of homemade soup and dessert will be served from 12.30-2pm for £5 per head. All are welcome, bring your friends!

**Lenten Reflection Day** Saturday 2nd March 11am-3pm at Our Lady Queen of Peace, 222 Sheen Rd. The Guild of the Blessed Sacrament Richmond are holding a day of reflection and worship at Sheen and invite others to join them for all or part of the day. Directed by Fr Peter Andrews, the Retreat which will begin with Mass in the Church at 11am and ends at 3pm after Guild service and Benediction at 2.30pm. During the day there will be Guild Stations, Exposition and confessions. For further info, or if you would like to join, please contact Francis on [mccormackf@hotmail.com](mailto:mccormackf@hotmail.com) or by phone 074 1757 4154.

**Sr Josephine on Prayer** The Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham are hosting their next open meeting at St Thomas Aquinas Church, Ham, on Tuesday 27th February at 7.30pm. *Sr Josephine is a Sister of Charity of St Louis. She has travelled widely throughout the world and held varied positions. For many years she was a headteacher. She worked in Israel and Palestine for the world Council of Churches and in Montreal for the Congregations leadership and administration council.* There will be a Mass beforehand in the Ordinariate rite at 7pm. A meal and refreshments will be served. Contact Fr Peter Andrews 07753 827967 / [peter.andrews.lon@gmail.com](mailto:peter.andrews.lon@gmail.com).

**World Day of Prayer 2024** is celebrated in over 146 countries. Each year the service is written by Christian women from a different country. This year, it has been prepared by the Christian women of Palestine. The theme is *'I beg you, bear with one another in love'*. This service will be taking place on Friday 1st March at 2.30pm at St Matthias, Church Road, Richmond TW10 6LS. Followed by Refreshments -tea/coffee and cakes. All are welcome. See posters in the narthex for more information.

**Grief in Loss: Hope in Christ** is a weekend for those who have been bereaved. At Aylesford Priory, Kent, March 22nd-24th, the weekend will take place away from the pressures of day-to-day life and can help one begin to come to terms with bereavement. It is a time for quiet, prayer, talking and acceptance. The residential cost is £230 for a single, £210 for a shared room. Due to the special nature of this weekend retreat, places are limited and subject to a telephone call to determine if it is right for you. Tel: 01622 717 272.

**Catholic Association Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 23rd-30th August 2024.** To find out more join the Zoom chat with experienced pilgrims on 16th March at 11am: [www.catholicassociation.co.uk/askanything](http://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/askanything); or for more information email [contact@catholicassociation.co.uk](mailto:contact@catholicassociation.co.uk). Register your interest at [www.catholicassociation.co.uk / chiefs@catholicassociation.co.uk](http://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/chiefs@catholicassociation.co.uk). All are welcome.