

Our Lady of Loreto & St Winefride

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Second Sunday of Lent (C)

Fr Brian will be away on Monday and Tuesday 14 & 15 March. Fr Peter Burns OSB will be here for Mass. There will be Mass on Wednesday 16 March at 7pm and Mass on Saturday 19 March at 9.30am (the Solemnity of St Joseph).

Masses & Intentions

Sat 12	Feria of Lent
10-11am	Adoration & Confessions
6pm	Joan Rundle RIP (SVP)
Sun 13	Second Sunday of Lent
	(Election of Pope Francis 2013)
	Collection for Ukraine & CAFOD Fast Day
9.30am	People of the Parish
	Care of the Planet & Peace in Ukraine
11am	Margaret & Gerrard Chittick RIP
Mon 14	Feria of Lent
	No Adoration
9.30am	Johanna & Hugh O'Neill RIP
Tues 15	Feria of Lent
9.30am	Harry Sweeney RIP
Wed 16	Feria of Lent
7pm	Brian Coyle RIP
Thurs 17	St Patrick, Patron of Ireland, Feast
9.30am	Good health of Sean Diamond
Fri 18	Feria of Lent (St Cyril of Jerusalem)
9.30am	John O'Neill RIP
10-11am	Exposition & Adoration
7pm	Stations of the Cross
Sat 19	St Joseph, Patron of the
	Universal Church, Solemnity
9.30am	Peace in Ukraine
10-11am	Adoration & Confessions
6pm	People of the Parish
Sun 20	Third Sunday of Lent
	Collection for Ukraine
9.30am	Fr Peter Marsh (60th Anniversary of Ordination)
11am	Paul Chance RIP
4pm	Acutis Club Opens

No Alleluia during Lent At the end of the resp. psalm (weekdays) or 2nd reading (Sundays & Solemnities) repeat the first line of the acclamation and then also at the end. No Gloria during Lent either - with a few exceptions.

Readings: Second Sunday of Lent

1st reading: Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18

Resp. Psalm 26: *The Lord is my light and my help.*

2nd reading: Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! (Repeat) From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to Him.' *Glory and praise to you, O Christ!*

GOSPEL: Luke 9: 28-36

Spiritual Communion Prayer *My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

Our prayers are requested for Clare Bertolotti, Mary Birch, Tony Harlow, Fiona Hopwood, Angelo Lopez, John Napier and Raie Smith.

Livestream Masses Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri at 9.30am and 11am Sundays via YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvvsj3giEOJemlLQxHvMT6g> or go to YouTube and then search Our Lady of Loreto & St Winefride.

Please Pray for the Repose of The Souls of HANNAH HENRY, MARIA LOPEZ and JOAN RUNDLE. (1) Joan's Funeral Mass is at St Winefride's on Thursday 24 March at 11.30am and the committal follows at Mortlake Crematorium at 1.20pm. Please keep Ed, her husband, and their children, Alex, Thea, Jessica and Lizzie, in your prayers. (2) Maria's Funeral Mass is at St Winefride's on Monday 28 March at 10am and the committal follows at Mortlake Crematorium at 11.20am. Please keep Angelo, her husband, and their children, Maria, Robert, Michael and Javier, in your prayers. (3) Hannah's Funeral Mass is at St Winefride's on Tuesday 29 March at 12noon and committal at Richmond Cemetery at 1.30pm. Hannah, or Anne as some people knew her, and Seamus were married in 1949 and settled in Richmond. A few years later they moved to Lawn Crescent and to our parish with their children Michael & Margaret. Anne, their third child, was born in 1956. The family worshipped regularly at St Winefride's for the next 40 years. Anne was baptised here and Margaret & Kevin married here in 1975. Seamus died in 1994 and his funeral Mass was at St Winefride's. Hannah continued to attend Mass regularly and was often to be seen at the First Friday Lunches. In the last few years Hannah was

unable to attend Mass due to mobility issues and moved closer to her family. She was always keen to keep up to date with events in the parish and received regular copies of the weekly newsletter.

A Prayer for Peace in Ukraine *O God of peace, who are peace itself, and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp, nor a violent mind receive, grant that those who are one in heart may persevere in what is good and that those in conflict may forget evil and so be healed. Amen.*

A Financial Collection for Ukraine There are many charities appealing for help at this time, especially the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) which oversees some fifteen charities. Please give via the contactless devices or the basket in the church. All contributions will go to the DEC.

Our Lady of Loreto & St Winefride's response to the tragedy and suffering in Ukraine. The parish hall will be open on Sundays from 9am to 12.30pm to receive donations of the following items: - baby food & nappies; basic toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap); cold & flu medicine (e.g. Lemsip); painkillers (ibuprofen/ paracetamol); first aid kits; bandages; wound dressing material; protein/energy bars; feminine sanitary products; men's socks; back packs; sleeping bags; blankets; camping mats; power banks (for mobile phone charging). **Please do not bring any other items and please ensure that everything is in perfect condition.** Thank you to the SVP for coordinating this effort on behalf of our parish community.

The Society of St Vincent De Paul (SVP) in the parish exists to help those in need by providing companionship, transport, practical assistance and modest financial help. If you or someone you know needs help, please ask for Brian and we will be in touch.

Lent, above all this year, is a time for prayerful reflection and action. Prayer is at the heart of all we are and do. It can be a time to live our faith in a new way. Some suggestions:

- [1] set aside a time for prayer each day – it can be 5 minutes. Perhaps use the Sunday or weekday Mass readings to help. A time to be still and place oneself in God's presence;
- [2] attend a weekday Mass in addition to Sunday Mass;
- [3] pray the Rosary;
- [4] Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent at 7pm;
- [5] make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament – the church is open a lot and see the times for Exposition & Adoration;
- [6] choose a charity to support this Lent as your almsgiving / choose something good to do;
- [7] fast – not only from food but from all that does not build God's Kingdom;
- [8] Confession – Saturday mornings during Lent between 10-11am during Exposition & Adoration.

There are leaflets in the narthex which might help – on the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, making a visit to the Blessed Sacrament and Confession.

The CAFOD Family Fast Day was Friday 11 March. Every child should grow up big and strong. Family Fast Day is a day when we can eat simply and give generously to support families in need around the world. This small act of love will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. You can donate in church using the contactless devices or the envelopes in the narthex or by visiting the website www.cafod.org.uk/lent. Traditionally on Fridays we abstain from a particular food, and for most of us this means meat. Please place the CAFOD Fast Day envelopes and cash contributions in the basket in the church.

Lent 2022 CAFOD is calling on people to walk 200k for Lent and “*help stamp out hunger, one step at a time*”. The Walk Against Hunger is being run with fundraising through JustGiving. Parishioner Ruth Gledhill has set up a Team Tablet and would love it if anyone would like to join that. Of course, feel free to make your own team or join a different one if you know of others. More info at <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/teams/team-tablet> and cafod.org.uk.

Saving Grace - Online Retreat Offered by the Diocese A retreat for Lent, introduced by Archbishop John Wilson and led by members of the Spirituality Commission. For more details and to register go to: http://eepurl.com/hnK_Rz And see the notice in the narthex.

Covid Protocols and Returning To 'Normal' Our parish policy has been to have an incremental approach to return to 'normal'. All pews are now open for use and it is no longer necessary to sign in. In line with Government advice, the wearing of face masks is now optional and I shall continue to wear a face mask. We will continue to have a no-touch Sign of Peace for the moment. It is important that we continue to be careful as the virus is still prevalent. Please be sensitive to the needs of those around you, and, where possible, leave a space between you and those not known to you. Please do not come to church if you have any symptoms of Covid. We have been advised to remove the NHS QR code in the narthex.

Covid – Resilience – Trauma – Pastoral Recovery The Covid-19 pandemic may not be over but it's a fitting time to look at the impact of the virus on individuals and communities. Almost everyone has been touched in some way and the scars left can be mental as well as physical. There is strong evidence that the pandemic has caused a 'collective trauma'. **FaithAction**, a national network of faith-based and community organisations seeking to

serve their communities through social action, has commissioned a report to address this: **Resilience, Trauma, and Pastoral Recovery**. It is intended to be both a toolkit and a source of healing and hope in our Christian communities and beyond. The report is written by **Professor Jim McManus**, President of the Guild of Health and St Raphael and a Member of the FaithAction Advisory Group. He is also President of the UK Association of Directors of Public Health and participates in the Government's Scientific Advisory Group on Emergencies (SAGE). Professor McManus advises that we think of this emergency not as a pandemic, but as a syndemic – where a number of impacts (e.g. physical, social, financial, or emotional) combine together to create an effect which is worse than any one individually. To view the report please go to the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/resilience-trauma-and-pastoral-recovery/>

Sunday Choirs at 9.30 & 11am continue to welcome new members as they prepare for Easter. Choir practices are on Wednesdays at 8pm (lasting 45mins) during Lent. All voices welcome. Ability to read music not required but helpful. Three beautiful motets to learn.

Refreshments after the Sunday 9.30am Mass
Some parishioners have asked if it would be possible to reinstate the monthly coffee/tea after the Sunday 9.30am Mass. This is certainly possible but it can only happen if at least six volunteers come forward, one of whom is prepared to act as coordinator. This can't fall on those who are already volunteering for lots of things in the parish. If you are interested in volunteering for this, please email the parish office.

Altar Servers All who have received their First Holy Communion are invited to join our altar serving team. It does require a commitment but it is a great privilege to serve. It would be wonderful to have more servers at all our weekend Masses.

Junior Church / Children's Liturgy (typically for children in reception to the start of year 3) at the 9.30am Sunday Mass (during term-time). Information leaflets are available in the narthex. It is very important to complete a registration form for your child(ren) so that we can plan age appropriate sessions. Please put the registration form through the letter box of no 1 Leyborne Park. We also need more volunteers for Junior Church – to help out once or twice per term.

Journeying Together and Our Response to the Synod Process Initiated by Pope Francis: The summary report and feedback to the diocese is now on the parish website. Lent is a good time to reflect personally and prayerfully on the summary report and feedback. In Eastertide we will organise a

series of meetings to enable as many parishioners as possible to gather to discuss what we believe the Holy Spirit is asking of us. Please have a word with fr Brian if you do not have access to the internet and need a paper copy.

The Church Narthex (Porch) You are kindly asked not to leave donations of books, toys etc. in the church. This is for reasons of health & safety/fire risk. Charity collection and council recycling points are available in Kew Village. This does not apply, of course, to the Richmond Food Bank collection boxes in the narthex. Many thanks for your help.

Message from St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School The children are carrying out research into the history of their school. St Elizabeth's School began in 1869 with 45 pupils and was situated in Park Lane, Richmond. The school moved into the current school building in 1969 after a hundred years in Park Lane. We are looking for people who may have attended St Elizabeth's School at any point before 1990 who would be able to share their experiences of attending the school with the children. If you attended St Elizabeth's School before 1990 or if you know someone who did, please contact the school by email: admin@st-elizabeths.richmond.sch.uk with subject: *FAO St Elizabeth's School History Project*. Thank you, we look forward to hearing from you.

St Richard Reynolds Catholic College, Consultation on Academy status Info. session in the Elizabeth Hall on Thursday 17 March starting at 6pm. For more details see letter in the narthex or go to <https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/academy-consultation>.

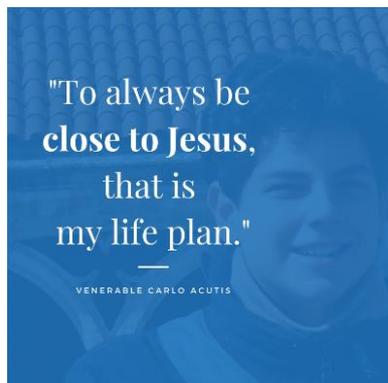
The Governing Body of St Paul's Catholic Primary School, Thames Ditton, Surrey, is looking to appoint a dynamic, forward-thinking headteacher to start in September 2022. If you would like further information please email clerk@stpauls-thamesditton.surrey.sch.uk. To apply please go to <https://www.eteach.com/job/headteacher-1216606>. The closing date for applications is 24 March.

The Friends of Westminster Cathedral seek to recruit a part time Organising Secretary to help administer the charity, assist in recruiting new members and in organising events. The appointment based in Westminster Cathedral Clergy House is for 20 hours per week at a salary in the region of £14,500 per annum. The appointment is for 12 months. Closing date 27 March 2022. For further details please visit <https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/the-friends-see-an-organising-secretary/>

A New Initiative for Our Younger Parishioners

THE ACUTIS CLUB

Starting next Sunday 20 March 4-5pm in our parish hall, initially for school years 4-8.



Objective of the Group To create a nurturing, safe and positive environment for our young parishioners between their First Holy Communion and their Confirmation, so they feel connected to our parish, socialise with each other, and establish the foundations of a life of Faith and Love.

Our vision

- a place of joyful interactions
- a place of connection, wherever the child may be
- a safe place to talk about what concerns them
- a place that exemplifies why Faith matters

Our Mission To make it fun to go to Church by creating a safe and caring space where children can, simply, be.

Blessed Carlo Acutis Our club is named after the English-born Italian teenager who died of Leukaemia in 2006 and was beatified in 2020 by Pope Francis. During his life, Carlo showed that it is possible to put God first in our digitally obsessed world and to do so joyfully, putting oneself at the service of others. He is a wonderful model for our club and our young people.

Age Group Initially, we will open the club to the younger age band, **School Year 4 – Year 8**. Our ambition is eventually to offer a provision for all young people aged from 8-16 years, as well as a group for older teenagers.

Acutis Club Schedule We aim to start with a bi-monthly club on the following Sundays in term time from 4-5pm (possibly 5-6pm in the summer):

Sunday 20 March

Easter Break

Sundays 24 April; 8 May; 22 May

Half Term

Sundays 12 June; 26 June; 3 July

Summer Break

Sunday 18 September

Further dates to follow

Kingston Hospital Charity Winter Appeal is focussed on raising funds to enhance the side rooms on the surgical, elderly care and orthopaedic wards. For more info. see www.khc.org.uk. The cost of enhancing one side room to create a tranquil space is approximately £3,000.

SPEAR Homelessness to Independence is a local charity with over 30 years' experience in this vital area of outreach. If you can help in any way, either financially or as a volunteer, please see the posters in the narthex, including Active Events 2022. www.spearlondon.org

St John Paul II on Peace

Be clothed in sincere passion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same (Colossians 3:12-13).

In order to communicate peace in accordance with Christ's words we must live that peace. Yes, dear brothers and sisters, there must be peace in our families, between husbands and wives, between parents and children; peace in our communities; peace in our parishes and local churches; peace in society and over the earth; peace in the hearts of the ministers of Christ, in the hearts of the religious and laity, in the hearts of all those who embrace his Gospel of love.

Only then can our proclamation and communication of peace be effective: peace to the poor and to the rich, peace to the young and to the old, peace to the sick and the suffering, to prisoners and to all who mourn. Peace to those who are crushed by the burden of sin, and to those who stumble beneath the weight of their cross. Peace to all who serve with us in the name of Christ and for the glory of his Father. Peace to all our brothers and sisters in Christ, to all our fellow human beings: the peace of reconciliation, of justice, of freedom from fear, of liberation from oppression and sin, of deliverance from eternal death. The peace of Christ's kingdom, the peace of hope, the peace of Jesus himself. Peace is yours as a gift from the Lord, as a responsibility and a challenge. Let us listen to Jesus today and all the days of our lives.

This Sunday's Gospel in St Luke is that of the Transfiguration. We hear of a voice coming from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' In a world of so much noise do we ever experience the silence we need to hear the voice of Jesus? In a world turned upside down over the last two years with the pandemic and now war in Europe, let alone suffering in so many other parts of the world, we desperately need silence in our lives to hear the authentic Word of Truth, the Word who is Jesus. God Bless you all. fr Brian.