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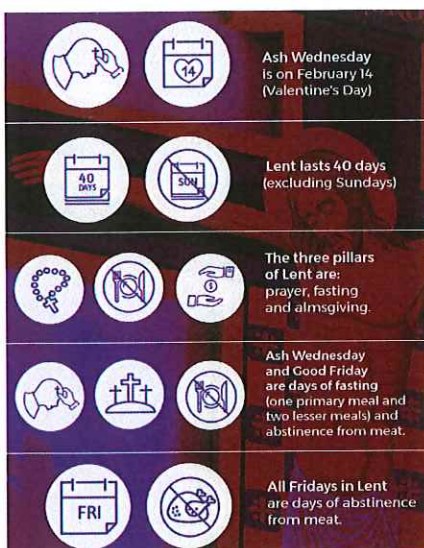
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Sunday Mass Times: 5.30pm (Sat Vigil), 8am, 10am, 12 noon
Weekday Masses: 7am and 12.30pm Saturday Masses: 9.30am and 12.30pm
Confessions on Saturday 10am-10.30am, 4.45-5.15pm, 6.30-7pm, 7.30pm
Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Succour (Help) every Saturday at 7pm
Portuguese Mass: Sunday 5.30pm. Chaplain 020 7587 0881

The 6th Week of Ordinary Time 2018 (B)

LENT IS COMING HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



It hardly seems that long ago when we were celebrating Christmas and now on Wednesday the Holy Season of **Lent** begins.

Ash Wednesday is one of the two days in the year when the Church invites us to fast - ie., one main meal and two lesser meals and absolutely no meat. It is only two days out of the year, so please see to it this Ash Wednesday.

Our **Archbishop**, Peter Smith has today written to us instructing us on Lent. Please listen attentively to what he has to say.

See the notice board concerning **ADOREMUS**. Two people have been invited from among you to represent St Mary's at the **ADOREMUS** event this September. We will say more about this in due course, but please keep this Eucharistic event in your prayers.

The schools are now on **Half Term** break, so I wish all our little ones a safe, fun and relaxed holiday!

You will see a simple **poster** concerning **Lent** and what you need to know. Its simplicity says it all!

I hope to see many of you at the **World War Memorial** service and ceremony on Friday. A huge amount of work has been put into this memorial that I am sure it will be marvellous.

Peace, **Fr Richard** Reid CSsR, Rector and Parish Priest

Office Hours for the Parish Office are **10am - 1.30pm** and **2.30pm - 6pm**. To make contact directly with **the parish secretary**, phone **0207 501 3961**

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Please pray for all those who are sick:

Theresa Hunt, Sr Chris Fealey FMDM, Mary Donellan DHS, John Jackson, Breeda Bell, Christopher Kanu, Sharon Davies, Pat Howard, Betty Walsh, Thomas Mannion, Norah Callaghan, Valerie Prantis, Tony Spargo, Nolabelle Mary Petty, Kevin Kelly, Baby Michael Harney, Louise Cox-O'Keefe, Fr George, Br Thomas and Fr Terry Creech CSsR

Those who have died recently

Billy Connaughton, Alice De-Jesus, Catalyn Flanagan, Patricia Donnelly, Eileen Scanlon and Margaret Machovich

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Shirley Mungal, Ina Cunningham, Mary Sheehy, Patrick Sheehy and Alexander McQueen

Funerals in the near future

12th Feb – William Connaughton RIP

13th Feb – Margaret Rochford RIP

15th Feb – Annabella McGuinness RIP

Your financial contribution last Sunday

Gift Aid: £322.00 Loose Plate: £958.67

Thanks for your generosity.

Dates for your Diary

Wed 14th Feb – Ash Wednesday

Important

Times of Masses for Ash Wednesday

7.00 am, 9.30 am, 12.30 pm, 7.00 pm

Fri 16th Feb – Service for War Dead

Fri 23rd Feb – CAFOD Fast Day

Thurs 1st Mar – St David's Day

Sun 4th Mar – CTiC Service

Pancake Sunday – after 10 am Mass on Sunday, 11th February pancakes will be on offer. Please come along and enjoy them.

Adoremus

Do you have the time and ability to take part in a small Focus Group to explore the pastoral and practical implications of the Liverpool Congress for Southwark? Meetings will be minimal and subsequent communications can be based on email. Please see the notice boards for more information and then please hand your name and contact details into the office and we will pass them on to the organiser.

Parish Surgery – There will be no Parish Surgery on Mon., 12th Feb. The next Parish Surgery will be Mon., 19th Feb. – come along and see one of the priests. No appointment necessary.

Remembrance Service for War Dead

Tickets for the Service for War Dead on **16th February at 7.00 pm** will be on sale after Masses at a cost of £5 which includes refreshments. They will also be available from the office during the week. This service is to commemorate those who served as chaplains to the armed forces during the two World Wars. Please see the notice boards for more information

St Mary's Almanac & Book of Facts, 2018

If you didn't receive a copy of this interesting booklet last week, please do pick up one from the table at the back of the church.

CAFOD

There will be a talk at all Masses next weekend of 17th/18th February about CAFOD and CAFOD Fast Day is 23rd February.

Please see the poster on the notice boards.

New – Lent Extra

The Lent Extra booklet is now on sale - £2.50. It's full of interesting articles, with daily reflections for the Lent period.

RCIA – Please pray for our candidates as they prepare for their Rite of Election on Saturday, 17th February in St. George's Cathedral, Southwark.

Young Catholic Adults Group was held on Monday, 5th February and **Fr George Webster's** talk was enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be on Monday, 19th February at 7 pm.

First Holy Communion

Thanks to all the parents of the First Holy Communion children who came to the meeting last Sunday. It's good to know that they are supporting their children through this most important journey.