

ROTA - 4 /11 MAR:

HOUSECALLS (11th) Mrs A Doe, Ms M McGee, Mr M Vamboi, Mrs A Greentree, Mrs O Van der Borgh

READERS (11th) Mrs P Abraham (Sat 6:30pm)Mrs A Doe (Sun 9am) Miss C Leonard (Sun 11am)

OFFERTORY (11th) Mrs P Burns (Sat 6:30pm) Giraldo Fmly (Sun 9am) Swain Fmly (Sun 11am)

CHURCH CLEANING MON 7 MAR - Ms K Questelles/ Ms T de Bertodano, SAT 10 MAR Ms E Martin/ Ms J Nweke

FLOWER ARRANGING – 10 MAR- Vacant (flowers permitted)

COUNTERS 5 MAR -Messrs Fonseca/Darion/Thompson 11 MAR-Ms B Cunningham, Mr J Remedios

TEAS & COFFEE : 4 MAR-UCM (9AM) French Speaking Group (11am) 11 MAR-Mrs Schwartz/Mrs Sanders

If you are unable to fulfil your duty then please arrange for a substitute.

UCM PRAYER

Lord Jesus you lived with Mary and Joseph at Nazareth and enjoyed family life, growing in wisdom and stature in the sight of God the Father and ourselves. Help the members of the Union Catholic Mothers to follow this example in prayer, love and active witness to Marriage, Family and Christian Life in the world.

Make us understanding and caring to all experiencing difficulties and generous in support, so that one day we may all rejoice together in our Eternal Home.

AMEN

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Loving Father,
touch and transform us by the joy of your love.

Make us missionary disciples, empowered to carry the love of Christ to our neighbour.

May young people be inspired by our example to take up the path of Christian discipleship and dedicate their lives to the service of the Gospel.

Raise up new vocations by the power of your Holy Spirit to the priesthood and the consecrated life:

send us men and women inspired to be living signs of your mercy.

Grant us all an openness of heart that we might readily respond to your call, and proclaim with joy the Good News to the whole world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 7 March 7:00pm	Finance and Buildings committee meeting
Sunday 25 March, 9am & 11am	Palm Sunday
Wednesday 28 March, 11:15am	Chrism Mass at St George's Cathedral
Friday 27 April 7pm	Confirmation– Bishop Pat Lynch presiding
Sunday May 13, 11am May 20, 11am	Group 1 Group 2
Sunday May 27 5pm	Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

PARISH SICK LIST

Michael , Mrs Dorothy Nichol, Mrs Mary Wallace, Mrs Peggy Phillips, Fr. Anthony Bailey, Mr Patrick Heneghan, Mrs Maureen Sheehan, Mr Martin Fisher, Ms Shelagh Mc Donough , Mrs Sheila Bohan

Monsignor James O'Neill.

Please keep them in your prayers.

Finance for 25 February 2018

Gift Aid Envelope	76
Loose	371
84 Bankers Orders	460
Parish Total	£907
CAFOD	368
Mass Attendance	287

As usual your generosity is always appreciated.

The second collection this week is for the Church Maintenance Fund.

RIP- Mrs Colette Goualin who passed away on February 8. Her funeral service will take place here on Friday 16 March at 11:30am. We pray for her eternal rest and offer our prayers to her grieving relatives.

Monday 5 March 7.30pm find out about the early signs of dementia. Our Lady of the Annunciation Bingham Road. CRO 7EN. Refreshments, cash bar. All are welcome. Supported by Norwood Catenian circle.

St Matthew's Church Newsletter

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (Year B)

4 MARCH 2018



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Mass on Saturday 6:30pm (Sunday)
Mass on Sunday 9 am, 11am
Morning Mass 9:30am (Tues, Wed, Thu, Fri)
Evening Mass 7:00pm Tuesdays

Confessions: Thurs 10:15-10:45, Sat 5.30-6:00pm & at call
Marriage and Baptism Preparation by appointment only
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thurs 10-11am
Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri 9:30am-2:30pm

From Father Anthony's Desk:

As you will have noticed, the process of changing the lighting in the church has begun. The previous confessional has been gutted and will serve from now on as a cupboard. The next item on the agenda is the new altar and dais.

The mats marking the positions for the ministers of the Eucharist will be removed after this weekend's Masses. Would the ministers please take note of the places back from the aisle and inside the side chapels. You may have watched an item on the news during the week which showed deer walking through the streets of a town in Scotland: they had been driven down from the hills by the snow in search of food and shelter. The town in question was Dunkeld, near to the city of Perth from which I come. If I am giving the appearance of being homesick, this is probably the reason.

Next Sundays Readings: 2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23, Ephesians 2:4-10, John 3: 14-2

Order of the Mass:

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Vigil & 9am: Readings for Third Sunday of Advent (B), **page 154**, First Euch Prayer for Reconciliation, **page 36**.

11am: Readings for Third Sunday of Lent (A) and First Scrutiny, **page 157**.

Preface, The Samaritan Woman, **page 58**

Response to the Intercessions:

And want to obey.

Communion Antiphon:

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Prayer to Our Lady:

Hail, Queen of Heaven, beyond compare,
To whom the angels homage pay;
Hail, Root of Jesse, Gate of Light,
That opened for the world's new Day.

Rejoice, O Virgin unsurpassed,
In whom our ransom was begun,
For all your loving children pray
To Christ, our Saviour, and your Son.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS:

After the 9am Mass, please join the mothers in the hall for tea, coffee and cake sale in aid of the local Food Bank.
Meeting on Tuesday 6 March at 8pm-
Activity: Annual General Meeting.