

**HYMNS FOR Sunday 10am MASS**

ENTRANCE	208 O raise your eyes on high
KYRIE, SANCTUS & AGNUS DEI	St Anne's Mass
GOSPEL ACCL.	184 (verse said)
OFFERTORY	872 My God accept my heart this day
MEMORIAL ACCL.	Missa Simplex
OUR FATHER	Said
COMMUNION	720 Be still for the presence of the Lord
RECESSIONAL	383 Hail Glorious St Patrick

**Lourdes Pilgrimage**

25th July - 1st August 2025

Registration for the Westminster diocesan pilgrimage led by Cardinal Vincent Nicholas is now open via the online form at <https://pilgrimages.rcdow.org.uk> or by contacting the Pilgrimage Office on 020 7798 9173.

Options to travel by plane or train are available and there are many volunteering opportunities for those wishing to serve.

All applications to join this year's pilgrimage need to be submitted by **Wednesday 30th April**.

**Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2025**

This Holy Year invites us to be 'Pilgrims of Hope'. We invite you to consider supporting work being done in the Diocese of Westminster to bring hope into many lives. Your contributions will help fund vital projects across our Diocese, including Youth & Evangelisation, Social Action, Marriage & Family Life, and Catholic Education Initiatives.

His Eminence, Cardinal Nichols, extends his heartfelt thanks to all who give what they can to this meaningful cause.

Donation envelopes are available today, and you can also contribute online using the QR code.



Thank you for your kindness and support.

**CAFOD Lent Appeal 2025— Family Fast Day collection**

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection and be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities experiencing the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope.

Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call us on 0303 303 3030.

You can also text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.

Include this QR code to take supporters straight to CAFOD's virtual envelope where they make their donation.



**MASS INTENTIONS 16th March - 23rd March**

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 15th	5pm	Thanksgiving Mass from Amelia and Justin
Sun 16th	8am	People of The Parish
	10am	John Conway (Anniversary)
	11.30am	Italian Mass
Mon 17th	10am	Eugene Sullivan (RIP)
Tues 18th	10am	Paddy Collard (RIP)
Wed 19h	10am	Maria Jose Bermudez (Intentions)
Thur 20th	10am	Kitty and Tommy Linnane (RIP)
Fri 21st	9:00	Stations of the Cross
	10am	Teresa Barun (RIP)
Sat 22nd	5pm	Michael and Maureen O'Sullivan (Anniversary)

Main Altar Sanctuary Lamp	Vera Dolan
Sacred Heart	People of the Parish
Our Lady	Arcadia Trinidad

**PARISH DIARY**

Wednesdays 10:30am	LEGION OF MARY - Hall
Thursdays 10:30am	LENT PRAYER GROUP - Hall
Fridays 9:00am	STATIONS OF THE CROSS

As part of our Lenten devotions, Westminster Cathedral Choir will perform Johann Sebastian Bach's retelling of ST JOHN PASSION. The event will take place on **Tuesday 18th March 2025 at 7.30pm at Westminster Cathedral**. This is a wonderful chance to hear the Cathedral's superb choir performing one of the greatest pieces of Easter music ever written. Discounted tickets are available at the following link, using the password below. <https://www.ticketmaster.co.uk/event/1F006179F7594403?did=30off>  
Click **Enter Offer Code** and type the code: **SJP30**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING**

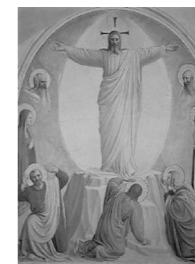
There will be a session for all current Eucharistic Ministers on **Saturday 29th March at 2pm** in the church of St Mary Magdalene at Willesden Green.

It will be a chance for us to pray and reflect on our ministry.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES**

CONFIRMATION Session 10- Prayer—staying in touch	Monday 17th March at 6:00pm in The Church of the Transfiguration
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Session 10 - Body of Christ	Monday 17th March at 5:30pm in St Mary Magdalene's Church

**THE TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC CHURCH KENSAL RISE**



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**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

16th March 2025

**PARISH TEAM**

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Parish office opens: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10:00am - 3:00pm

**Sunday Masses:** (Sat 5pm) Sun 8am & 10am

**Italian Mass:** Sun 11:30am

**Weekday Masses:** Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 10am

**Confession:** Sat 4pm before Mass or by appointment

**Exposition:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday before Mass

LAST WEEKS OFFERING  
**£603.64**

**CONTACTLESS INCOME DECEMBER**  
**£815.50**

Thank you for your contribution to the Parish!

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As we are presented with this glorious event of the Transfiguration this Sunday, there are numerous lessons we can learn from it.

First, Peter and his companions were overcome by sleep while Jesus was transfigured in glory and conversing with Moses and Elijah. This line could suggest many things. It could mean that Peter was weak and more concerned with his human condition than he was with attentiveness to the important journey he was invited to take with our Lord. It could reveal a kind of spiritual sloth. It is easy in life to become weary of the journey and to become drowsy at the times that we should be most attentive to our Lord. For example, think about any time when you knew you should pray but instead, sat daydreaming or distracted, or chose to fill that time with something mindless. Peter and his companions, therefore, teach us that it is easy for us in our fallen human nature to "doze off" during those times when God wants to speak to us, especially while at Mass.

Another interpretation of this line comes from the Church Father, Saint Ambrose. He suggests that this sleep of Peter and his two companions was primarily a result of them encountering "the incomprehensible brightness of the Divine nature." As Jesus was transfigured, the initial vision was too much for them to comprehend, and so this vision began with them asleep as a symbol of the fact that we are all incapable of seeing the glory of God in our weakened state. But then they became "fully awake," which implies that it took time for them to open their eyes to see the glory of God. This lesson teaches us that we all must wake up and work to become fully awake if we are to see the glory of God as He reveals Himself to us.

After becoming fully awake and encountering the incomprehensible brightness of the divine nature, Peter says, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." The Gospel writer then goes on to say that Peter "did not know what he was saying." Again, if we turn to Saint Ambrose, he points out that Peter's experience is commendable because he not only had earnest feelings but also took the initiative of good deeds. He wanted to build three tents so that Jesus, Moses and Elijah would remain with them. But another Church father points out that Peter "did not know what he was saying" because he did not, at that time, realize that it was indeed his mission to build a dwelling place for Jesus, the Law and the Prophets. It was his mission to build the Church, which was to be the future dwelling place of God on earth and the place in which we will encounter God throughout life.

You, too, are entrusted with the responsibility of building up the structure of the Church on earth so that many may encounter the full glory of God. This will only happen if you continually seek to become fully awakened to the glory of God as He reveals Himself to you and, in the joy of that encounter, go forth to build up God's Church by your earnest desire and intentional acts of charity.

**Alter Servers get together -**

**12 April 2025**

We are organising an Alter Servers get together on the 12 April 2025 after evening mass. Please could you forward your name and contact details to the presbytery office via the email

[kensalrise@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:kensalrise@rcdow.org.uk)

and advise if you will be able to attend. It will be an evening with something to eat and a few activities.....look forward to seeing you all there.....God Bless

**FAMILY BINGO NIGHT-**

**25th April 2025 at 7pm**

Family Bingo Night on Friday 25th April at 7pm in the Hall.

Bingo Books will be on sale after Saturday and Sunday Masses starting this weekend. Do not miss out on what promises to be a fantastic evening for everyone, with drinks and cash prizes to win!