

THE TRANSFIGURATION, KENSAL RISE



Sunday Masses: (Sat 6pm) Sun 9am, 11am & 5pm Italian: 12.30pm

Holydays: 10am & 7pm **Holy Hour:** Fri 6pm

Weekday Masses: Mon & Fri 7pm Tues, Wed, Thu & Sat 10am

Confession: Sat 10.30-11.15am & 5-5.45pm and on request

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

20 SEPTEMBER 2015

NEWSLETTER

URGENT: YEAR OF PRAYER FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS!

Our catechists need your support. The Catechism teaches us that prayer is essential to the life of every Christian – prayer sustains, transforms and can change the material and spiritual elements of our existence. (ccc.2558 – 2589)

We invite every member of our parish to pick a particular sacramental/catechetical group in the parish and pray for the people wishing to develop their relationship with God/prepare for the sacraments, their families and sponsors (Godparents), catechists and the ministers of the sacraments – Bishops, Priests & Deacons. Pray that they may be faithful and dedicated followers of Christ and His Church and that the sacrament that they are preparing to celebrate and/or the spiritual formation they receive will transform their lives and make them true witnesses and missionaries of the Gospel. We ask that every parishioner offers a time of prayer each day for the sacramental group they have chosen. Please write your name on the noticeboard under the group you will pray for. On behalf of all the catechists, thank you for your prayers. Yours in Christ, Nalini

FUNERAL

Funeral of the late Paul Peter O'Sullivan of Kensal Rise. Reception into church on **Monday 21st September** at 7pm followed by repatriation to Cork, Ireland for burial. Condolences to his family and friends.

REMINDER: COMMISSIONING OF CATECHISTS AND CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS

During all Masses on the weekend of **19th-20th September** there will be a blessing and commissioning of all catechists and Children's Liturgy Leaders. Our catechists are vital to the life of the Church. They are called in a unique way to follow in the life and footsteps of Jesus Christ. They have a responsibility through their words but often more importantly through their actions and deeds to reveal His 'Good News'. Please keep them in your prayers. Nalini

MASS INTENTIONS DIARY 2016

The 2016 Mass Intention Diary is now available in the Parish office for parishioners to book their Masses. The Masses will be booked on a first come first served basis. If you wish to have a Mass said on a particular date and that date has already been taken or a funeral comes in, the Masses will be transferred to the nearest vacant date.

If parishioners wish to have an anniversary Mass or any other Mass that is to be celebrated on a particular date, you must come to the office in person. No Mass bookings will be taken by telephone, e-mail, post etc. If you just fill in an envelope with the preferred date and expect the Mass to be said on that day, it is highly likely that you will be disappointed. Susan is usually in the Office from 9am - 12.30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays and Kathy is there every Friday 9am - 1pm, however it is always best to telephone 020 8964 4040 before coming to the Office to ensure we are at our desks and can see you.

For other Masses you can fill in an envelope and put into a collection bag or post through the Presbytery door or hand in at the Repository where you can get Mass cards stamped with Fr Sean's signature if there is no priest available.

Please remember that the stipend for each intention of a Mass is a minimum of £10. This is line with all the parishes in the Diocese.

Thank you and God bless

Susan & Kathy (Parish Administrators)

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FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS

20 - 27 September

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| Sat | 19th | 6pm | P J Naughton (RIP) |
| Sun | 20th | 9am | People of the Parish |
| Sun | 20th | 11am | Cuthbert, Janet & Family (Ints) |
| Sun | 20th | 5pm | Ethel McInerney |
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| Mon | 21st | 7pm | St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist John Barun (A) |
| Tue | 22nd | 10am | Carmel Reynolds |
| Wed | 23rd | 10am | Annina Bellucci |
| Thu | 24th | 10am | Our Lady of Walsingham Margaret Lehane (RIP) |
| Fri | 25th | 7pm | Mrs Glavin (sick) |
| Sat | 26th | 10am | Marguerite & Thomas (Sp. Int) |
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| Sat | 26th | 6pm | People of the Parish |
| Sun | 27th | 9am | Elie Wallace (RIP) |
| Sun | 27th | 11am | Matthew & Verina (Int. Wedding A) |
| Sun | 27th | 5pm | Benny Murphy (RIP) |

SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS

Main Altar: Peace in the Middle East
Sacred Heart: Persecuted Christians
Our Lady: Holy Souls

Parishioner Forms:

Thank you to all households who have returned their parishioner forms. If you haven't sent back your form (spare copies at the back of the church), please could you do so over the next month. Not only will it ensure that the contact details we have are up to date but it will also help me in organising events at the parish. For example, there is no point in having a 17-18 group if we don't have any 17 or 18 year olds!

Thank you to those who have shown an interest in serving the parish; someone will be in contact with you over the next couple of months. As the laity, we have a **significant** role in the Church. As part of our baptismal responsibility, we are all called by God to be active disciples, not simply because we 'follow rules' but out of a love for God. If you would like to answer this personal invitation of Christ, please take the time to fill in the back of the form. Yours in Christ, Nalini (Catechetical Coordinator)

Catholic Library

When we go on a long journey it involves preparation (checking the map, packing clothes etc) The journey we take as Christians, (the road to heaven) often has blessings, questions, detours and stumbling blocks! It is important that we nourish ourselves along the way- after all, our faith isn't simply about going to church for one hour on a Sunday!

We are now very lucky to have our own Catholic library which includes DVDs and (due to kind donations) a wide range of books for adults. The library will be restarting on Saturday 3rd October before the 6pm Mass, and then after the 9am Mass and before the 11am and 5pm Masses on Sunday the 4th. I hope you will take the opportunity to borrow a **CATHOLIC** book to read and help you on your own personal journey to Jesus. Yours in Christ, *Nalini*

CONFIRMATION REMINDER:

Registration forms for those wishing to be confirmed and starting year 9 or above in September are available at the back of the church. Please note that the introductory meeting for candidates and parents will be on **Wednesday 7th October at 7pm**. Thank you.
 Yours in Christ, *Nalini (Catechetical Coordinator)*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

The initial meeting for the parents wishing to enrol their children in the programme will now take place at **12 noon on Saturday October 10th** and not 19 September. Also the welcome Mass for the children will be held on **Sunday 11 October**.

REFRESHMENTS... are available upstairs after the **9 and 11am** Masses for the Burkina Faso project.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Planned Giving: £552.35
 Loose Plate: £805.65
 Many Thanks
 These figures do not include Direct Debits etc

HYMNS FOR 9AM MASS

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| Entrance | 841 |
| Kyrie | German Mass |
| Gloria | German Mass |
| Gospel Acclamation | 540 |
| Offertory | 609 |
| Sanctus | German Mass |
| Memorial Acclamation | Sung |
| Agnus Dei | German Mass |
| Communion | 926 |
| Recessional | 937 |

HYMNS FOR 11AM MASS

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| Entrance | 212 |
| Kyrie | Heritage Mass |
| Gloria | Heritage Mass |
| Gospel Acclamation | 535 |
| Offertory | 608 |
| Sanctus | Heritage Mass |
| Memorial Acclamation | Sung |
| Our Father | 30 |
| Agnus Dei | Heritage Mass |
| Communion | 979 |
| Recessional | 970 |

New members warmly welcomed to join the choir. Practice Monday evenings 8-9 pm

Children's Liturgy:

The Children's Liturgy Group is held every Sunday at the 9.00am Mass in the Church Hall upstairs. It is an opportunity for children who have not made their First Holy Communion (in years 1 or 2) to reflect on and celebrate the Word of God at their own level and at their own pace. Our young parishioners are given the experience of being part of a community of faith and encouraged to play an active part in it. Please speak to one of the catechists if you would like more information or would like to join the CLG team.

Andrea Gibbs (member of the Children's Liturgy Group)

(PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE A TRAINING SESSION ON SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER FROM 2PM-4PM FOR ALL CATECHISTS WHO WISH TO LEAD A SESSION)

MESSAGE FROM FR SEAN re- training day for Children's Liturgy

I am so delighted that Nalini has begun a formation process for our Catechists. It is so important that everyone involved in any form of catechesis and passing on the faith should regularly update their knowledge through training sessions. The training session that Nalini has put on for Saturday 3rd October is a three line whip for all those who wish to continue to be involved in the children's liturgy.

Thank you for your time and commitment. *Fr Sean*

ALTAR SERVERS & GUILD OF ST STEPHEN

At long last the medals have arrived. All Servers who have been serving for 1 year or over are eligible to join the Guild of St Stephen and receive their medal. It is essential that anyone being enrolled serves with great reverence and knowledge of what they are doing. Servers should serve the Mass every week. If you fall into this category please let Fr Sean know. The medal ceremony will take place at all Masses on **Sunday 1st November 2015** (also includes the Saturday evening Mass). *Fr Sean*

In case you are admitted to hospital.....

In light of data protection please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN THE PARISH WHO ARE SICK AND/OR HOUSEBOUND AND ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE NOBODY ELSE TO PRAY FOR THEM