



THE TRANSFIGURATION, KENSAL RISE

NEWSLETTER

27th June 2021

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Goodbye Fr Sean

I am sad to announce my departure from Kensal Rise. I have been Parish Priest here for 18 years and I can honestly say that they have been very happy years, the happiest in my priesthood. I came to the Parish at the age of 38, still somewhat naïve, but you soon knocked me into shape. Over half my priesthood has been spent here and I leave with a heavy heart. I will never forget all the support, love and friendship I have received from you all, especially when my mother died. You will always be in my heart and I will pray for you. Please pray for me. On September 1st, I take up my new position as Parish Priest of both Corpus Christi Tring, and The Sacred Heart Berkhamsted. I hope to live in the Presbytery in Tring, which is a beautiful market town in Hertfordshire. As you can imagine it is going to be a very different appointment, so please continue to pray for me. My head is all over the place at the moment as I contemplate trying to pack and clear the clutter of 18 years. I have not been informed who will be replacing me at Kensal Rise but who ever he is, he is a very lucky man, for I know you will support him as you supported me. One thing I do ask, and that is you remember “he is not me.” He will come with new ideas, new ways of doing things, and please God will bring fresh life and enthusiasm into the life of the Parish. On arriving in a new Parish it is always difficult, so please have patience and be open and responsive to his guidance, ideas and a fresh beginning. As soon as I have news on who he is I will let you know. It will be sad not to have seen so many of you who have not returned to Mass since the outbreak of the pandemic. I only have another 9 Sundays left in Kensal Rise and it would be lovely to see you before I go. There are so many individuals I wish to thank but this is not the time to do so. I hope that we will have the opportunity to come together at a later date for a drink and an opportunity to say goodbye.

A note from Chelsea, the administrator

Dear Parishioners, after hearing the above news, I wanted to try and arrange a final get together to give Fr Sean the farewell he deserves. He is currently still on holiday so if anyone wants to get in contact with me about ideas etc then please do email or call me. I was thinking the date of Sunday 22nd August after the 11am Mass. Unfortunately, I am aware some people may be unable to attend as it is the summer holidays but it would be impossible to arrange before hand. I look forward to hearing any ideas you have and any way we can fundraise for this to go ahead would be great! Thank you.

NHS Vaccine

If you are a **Brent** resident, 20 years and above and would like a first dose of the Pfizer vaccine, please call 03000 339950 between **9am and 4pm** to book an appointment. Anyone who had a first Pfizer vaccine at least 9 weeks ago can also book their 2nd vaccine on the same phone number between the same hours. You will need to present your NHS number and date of birth.

Sunday Masses: (Sat 6pm) Sun 9am & 11am, **Italian:** 12.30pm
Holydays: 10am & 7pm **Holy Hour:** Fri 6pm (not in Lent)
Weekday Masses: Mon & Fri 12noon. Tues, Wed, Thu & Sat 10am
Confession: Sat 10.30-11.15am & 5-5.45pm and on request

MASS INTENTIONS

26th June – 3rd July

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 26th	6pm	Timothy O’Sullivan (4th A)
Sun 27th	9am	Lily & Robert O’Connor (A)
	11am	Celestine John – Baptiste (13th A)
Mon 28th	12noon	For the rekindling of love between an estranged couple
Tues 29th	10am	Fr Alan Robinson (Anniversary of Ordination)
Wed 30th	10am	Thomas Fallon (A)
Thurs 1st	10am	Patrick Kilcoyne (A)
Fri 2nd	12noon	Cornelia Abraham RIP
Sat 3rd	10am	Fr Kevin Jordan (Anniversary of Ordination)
	6pm	People of the Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS

Main Altar: Fr Sean Thornton
 Sacred Heart: Cornelia Abraham
 Our Lady: Celestine John-Baptiste

Baptisms

On May 17th, Baptisms are planned to resume and 30 people should be able to attend. If you would like a Baptismal registration form, please email the parish office and you will be sent one and contacted in due course.

Standing Orders /Gift Aid

Should you wish to start a standing order rather than collect your envelopes, or if you do not have a payment method in place, please take a form from the back of the Church. This form also has a gift-aid declaration (and is the only acceptable Gift Aid Form now) if you are able to. Thank you.

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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