

# 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

5th Sunday Ordinary Time (C)

07 FEBRUARY 2016

## NEWSLETTER

### LENT

It only seems like yesterday that we were celebrating Christmas and on Wednesday we begin the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday reminds us of our mortality when the Priest anoints our foreheads with ashes and says us; 'remember man that thou art dust and unto dust you shalt return'. These words compel us to think about what is important in this life and in the life to come.

For this reason we commit ourselves during the Lenten season to carry out some form of penance. This may be giving up something or doing something. You may wish to attend a weekday Mass or the Stations of the Cross, which will take place on Friday at 6.15pm. Lent is a great opportunity to do some Spiritual or Theological reading. We have our own library at the back of the church from which you may like to borrow a book or there is St Paul's Bookshop in Kensington High Street, the CTS shop and St Paul's Multimedia by Westminster Cathedral.

Might I take this opportunity to remind everyone that the Bishops' have restored the abstinence of meat on Fridays. Whatever you decide to commit to lets all try to remember why we are doing it, to draw closer to God and prepare ourselves for the great feast of Easter.

Wednesday 10th February is **Ash Wednesday** and the first day of Lent. There will be 2 Masses on that day at 10 am and 7pm. This is a day of fasting and abstinence as is every Friday and no meat is to be consumed.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be no Holy Hour on Fridays during Lent but there will be Stations of the Cross instead starting at 6.15pm. Holy Hour will resume after Easter.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all those who attended the formation training for catechists in January. It has been very useful to meet with catechists over the last 6 months and to hear about their experiences and the areas where they felt things might improve. These have been very fruitful conversations, and I sense that although it will take time and commitment, we as a parish will continue to develop a really active ministry for the children, and young people of our parish helping them to grow in their relationship with God. We as a parish are very grateful to all the catechists for their hard work, passion and commitment. Thank you. Yours in Christ, Nalini

#### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 10th February at 7:30pm**. If you are interested in becoming active on our Social Committee you are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you.

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Our Parish Council Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 23rd February at 7:30 pm**. If there are any issues or concerns that you would like to bring to the Parish Council's attention please put a note through the Presbytery letterbox. We will discuss the matter & report back to you. This is your Parish and your views /concerns matter.

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## FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS

**7 - 14 February**

Sat 6th 6pm Ratti (A) Inis & Ernesto  
 Sun 7th 9am People of the Parish (Ints)  
 Sun 7th 11am Zieba family (RIP)  
 Sun 7th 5pm Armeda Dayahan (Thanksgiving)

Mon 8th 7pm Michael Thornton (Ints)

Tue 9th 10am Mary McLoone (RIP)

Wed 10th 10am **Ash Wednesday**  
 Tom & Nell Tighe  
 7pm Pauline Thornton (RIP)

Thu 11th 10am **Our Lady of Lourdes**  
 Ted Rea (RIP)

Fri 12th 7pm Gina (Ints)

Sat 13th 10am Lydia & family (Int)

Sat 13th 6pm Verina Nicholas (RIP)  
 Sun 14th 9am Rebelo & Antunes families (RIP)  
 Sun 14th 11am People of the Parish  
 Sun 14th 5pm Cathleen Connors (Int.)

### SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS

**Main Altar:** Giovanna Vittiglio (A)

**Sacred Heart:** Pope Francis

**Our Lady:** All World Leaders

## YEAR OF MERCY

### The Hail Holy Queen (Salve Regina)

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy  
 Hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope!  
 To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve,  
 To thee do we send up our sighs,  
 Mourning and weeping in this vale of tears  
 Turn then, most gracious advocate,  
 Thine eyes of mercy toward us  
 And after this our exile show unto us  
 The blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus  
 O clement, O loving,  
 O sweet Virgin Mary

V. Pray for us,  
 O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made  
 worthy of the promises Of Christ.



### **FACT FOR THE WEEK:**

Catholics believe that anyone can baptize in an emergency situation (such as a car wreck). Any person, Catholic or not, can pour the water and say the words. The only requirement is to follow the wishes of the person you are baptising.

### **TRANSFIGURATION EVENTS CONTINUE THIS WEEK-**

please pick up a leaflet from the back of the church Lectio Divina on Mondays, Bible studies- Thursdays, Film Nights on Fridays, Oremus (Prayer Guide) on Saturdays

### **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.

### HYMNS FOR 9AM MASS

Entrance	708
Kyrie	St Anne's Mass
Gloria	St Anne's Mass
Gospel Acclamation	534
Offertory	608
Sanctus	St Anne's Mass
Memorial Acclamation	
Agnus Dei	St Anne's Mass
Communion	720
Recessional	853

### HYMNS FOR 11AM MASS

Entrance	708
Kyrie	497
Gloria	498
Gospel Acclamation	534
Offertory	608
Sanctus	Missa de Angelis
Memorial Acclamation	
Our Father	507
Agnus Dei	500
Communion	933
Recessional	862

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

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Not available

Many Thanks

These figures do not include Direct Debits

### REFRESHMENTS...

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

**SPOTLIGHT ON THE MASS:** From January to July, we'll be focusing on a part of the Holy Mass in our newsletter. This week: The Sign of the Cross

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." (Matt 28:19; cf. John 14:13-14; Acts 2:21) When we make the sign of the cross, we remember that the cross is the sign of our salvation: Jesus Christ, true God who became true man, offered the perfect sacrifice for our redemption from sin on the altar of the cross. This simple yet profound act makes each person mindful of the great love of God for us, a love that is stronger than death and promises everlasting life. "In all our travels and movements, in all our coming in and going out, in putting on our shoes, at the bath, at the table, in lighting our candles, in lying down, in sitting down, whatever employment occupies us, we mark our foreheads with the sign of the cross" (Tertullian in De corona, 30).

**DOORS OF MERCY** During the *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, you are invited to make a pilgrimage to the churches in the Diocese hosting a Holy Door. Those making a brief pilgrimage during the year to the Cathedral Holy Door or the others throughout the Diocese (locally at Our Lady of Willesden) may gain the Jubilee indulgence for themselves or the Holy Souls. Information about events during the *Year of Mercy*, Holy Doors and the Indulgence is available on the Diocesan Website <http://rcdow.org.uk/year-of-mercy/>. May this Holy Year be for all, as Pope Francis wishes, 'a true moment of encounter with the mercy of God'.

**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**