



# 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

**3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)**

**11 DECEMBER 2016**

## NEWSLETTER

### How can we thank you...

I am very sorry to announce that after so many years of service to this parish, our parish administrator Susan Carberry has decided to retire on 21st December 2016.

For 27 years Susan has worked as a volunteer in this Parish. She has given generously of her time, kindness and huge abilities to help keep this show on the road. Susan has become a friend of so many, both clergy and lay and we have all taken her to our hearts.

She began work assisting Fr Dempsey and had a very close relationship with him.

When he retired she continued working with Fr Kevin until he left the parish. For my 13 and a half years as parish priest, Susan has been invaluable in running the parish office and in so many other areas. I have seen her compassion and thoughtfulness dealing with bereaved families and she has gone over and beyond her call of duty to reach out and help those in need. Without Susan's enormous gifts I would have found it impossible to serve the parish and I can't thank her enough. During my time here, Susan has become a close and personal friend and I will miss her very much. I know all of you will join me in thanking Susan from the bottom of our hearts and wishing her a long and happy retirement.



On behalf of the parish I would like to welcome Chelsea Bottomley, who has taken over the reins and has been appointed parish administrator. Chelsea was baptised in our church and has grown up amongst us. Like Susan, Chelsea has her own gifts and talents and we look forward to working with her. I know you will all welcome her and take her to your hearts as you did Susan. Chelsea has different working hours and for your convenience I would like to let you know that she will be in the parish office on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday between 9:30am and 2:30pm.

God Bless, Fr Sean



### SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

#### 200 CLUB

We are thinking of starting a **200 Club**. cash prizes to be won, aiming for the first draw next March. Watch this space! (If anyone would like to help organise this please contact [monica.healy@btinternet.com](mailto:monica.healy@btinternet.com))

### FUNERAL GRANTS

St John Southworth Caritas crisis grant scheme is now offering funeral grants via catholic parishes in Westminster for those struggling with funeral costs. Further information and the application form is available on the caritas website— [rcdow.org.uk/caritas](http://rcdow.org.uk/caritas)

### A NEW WAY TO SUPPORT THE PARISH

Text Giving Through Your Mobile Phone!  
Safe, Easy, Anytime—No Sign-up or Follow-Up  
To: 70800

#### PARISH KENS R

By using the telephone, you can now text £5 as an offering to help support the running costs, ministries, programmes, or the cost of maintenance and repairs to the buildings of your parish. Simply type the word "Parish", leave a space, then the 5 letter code above. Send that text to 70800. £5 will be added to your mobile phone bill, as a donation which will come directly to our parish.

#### FAITH SHARING GROUP

The small faith-sharing group takes place on 1st Thursday every month after the 10am Mass.

#### THE REPOSITORY

The repository have a fine selection of Christmas cards and other seasonal goods for sale

#### MISSION RED BOXES

Thank you to all who have handed in their red boxes. If possible please hand in your red boxes in the next couple of weeks at the church so that a final collection can be accounted for by the end of the year. There are still some red boxes to be collected from the porch of the church. Many do not have names so feel free to take one if you would like to donate. Please provide contact details on the box. Many thanks and God bless Ana Godinho

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**Website:** [www.transfigparishkensalrise.org.uk](http://www.transfigparishkensalrise.org.uk)

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**Parish Priest:** Fr Sean Thornton **E-mail:** [frseanthornton@btinternet.com](mailto:frseanthornton@btinternet.com)

**FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS****10th—18th December**

Sat	10th	6pm	Lenny Slevin (A)
Sun	11th	9am	People of the Parish
Sun	11th	11am	Isabella Poku (A)
Sun	11th	5pm	Peter Strauther & Tom Sharp
Mon	12th	7pm	Liam Clear (ints)
Tues	13th	10am	Joe Healy (A)
Wed	14th	10am	Teresa & Larry (ints)
Thur	15th	10am	Thomas & Francis Compton (A)
Fri	16th	7pm	Members of Owens & Byrne Family (A)
Sat	17th	10am	Godfrey Weare RIP
Sat	17th	6pm	Susan Carberry (ints)
Sun	18th	9am	Constanca Soares (A)
Sun	18th	11am	Celestino & Mercedes Sanamdrews (A)
Sun	18th	5pm	People of the Parish

**SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS**

<b>Main Altar:</b>	People of Syria
<b>Sacred Heart:</b>	Victims of the Air Crash
<b>Our Lady:</b>	Pope Francis

**NEWSLETTER INFORMATION CUT OFF DATE**

From now on, please make sure that any information for the newsletter is sent in to the Parish Office by Wednesday at 10am.

**TUESDAY CLUB**

The Tuesday club is an opportunity for the senior citizens of the parish to come together socially and normally hear a speaker on the first Tuesday of every month unless announced. It is open to both parishioners and non parishioners. There will be no Tuesday club in January as it is so close to the new year celebration. The next Tuesday club will be February the 7th.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

**Christmas Eve** 11:30pm Carols & Hymns, 12pm Midnight Mass  
**Christmas Day** 9am Mass with Childrens' tableau, 11am Solemn Sung Mass  
**St Stephen's Day** 10am Mass  
**Tuesday 27th Dec** 10am Mass St John the Apostle  
**Wednesday 28th Dec** 10am Mass The Holy Innocents  
**Thursday 29th Dec** 10am Mass St Thomas Becket  
**Friday 30th Dec** 10am Mass The Holy Family  
**New Years Eve** 10am & 6pm Mass  
**New Years Day** 9am & 11am Mass Solemnity of Mary Mother of God **NO EVENING MASS**

**CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERTS**

**13th December 6pm** at St Dominic's Sixth Form College, The Chapel Mount Park Avenue, Harrow on the Hill, HA1 3HX  
**13th December 7pm** at the school hall at Convent of Jesus and Mary Language College, Crownhill Road, NW10  
**15th December 7pm** at the Methodist Church, Notting Hill, 240 Lancaster Road W11—In Aid of Mother Theresa's Sisters  
 Admission: Adults £5 children £2 + collection.  
**16 December 6pm** in St Margaret's Church, Westminster, the parish church of the House of Commons. Admission by advanced ticket only from The Passage tel. 020 7592 1856 email tickets @passage.org.uk minimum recommended donation £25.

**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.

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION**

Loose Plate—  
£762.90  
 Envelopes—£838.40

**HYMNS FOR 9AM MASS**

Entrance	95 v3	Entrance	95 v3
Kyrie	Missa Simplex	Kyrie	Missa Simplex
Gospel Acclamation	536	Gospel Acclamation	71 v3
Offertory	101	Offertory	117
Sanctus	Missa Simplex	Sanctus	Missa Simplex
Memorial Accl	Sung	Memorial Accl	Sung
Agnus Dei	Missa Simplex	Our Father	30
Communion	87	Agnus Dei	Missa Simplex
Recessional	363	Communion	111
<b>New members warmly welcomed to join the choir. Practice Monday evenings 8-9 pm</b>		Recessional	109

**2017 MASS INTENTIONS DIARY**

The 2017 Mass Intention Diary is now in the Parish office. All Masses must be booked in person at the Parish office. No telephone or e-mail bookings will be taken. The minimum stipend is £10 per Mass. Please phone first to make an appointment on 020 8964 4040.

**Nativity Tableau**

An invitation to our young parishioners who would like to be part of a Nativity Tableau. If you would like to take part in the Christmas Day Nativity during the 9.00am Mass, you will need to attend the two rehearsals on Sunday 18th December after the 9.00am Mass and on Thursday 22nd December after the 10.00am Mass.

**Help the Homeless This Winter**

The St Vincent de Paul Society is distributing 12,000 Vinnie Packs to the homeless over the winter, mostly in the Westminster diocese. See svp.org.uk/node/330 for more information. They cost about £3.20 to produce. Any contribution will be very welcome. Donations can be made by text VIMP33£[AMOUNT] to 70070 or by cheque made out to SVP and sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, SW1P 9EZ."

**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**