

THE TRANSFIGURATION, KENSAL RISE

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st December 2019

NEWSLETTER

'Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.' – 2 Corinthians 9:7

Over the last couple of weeks you have heard about Stewardship and Planned Giving. We have asked that all parishioners prayerfully reflect on what they contribute to our parish, having taken into consideration the needs of our parish and having reflected on the message of stewardship.

This weekend we ask that all parishioners complete a promise card. These cards will remain private and confidential. Please provide your full contact details and select the method of offertory giving best suited to you. If you pay UK income tax, please sign the Gift Aid declaration (in one name only) so that the parish can claim 25p back from the government for every £1 that you donate, at no extra cost to yourself.

Finally, we thank you for all that you already do for our parish. Without your continued support, this wonderful, living church would not continue to be the spiritual centre it is today. If you have any questions, there will be a volunteer available after each Mass.

The Sick & Retired Priests' Collection

Today's second collection is for the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the church, and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years. The fund is used to cover their essential needs at a time when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Your gift could help our sick and retired priests have the housing, care and support they need. Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. Thank you in advance for your kindness.

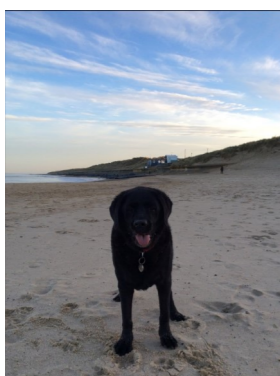
Drinks & Nibbles

This notice is for the church cleaners, the Sacristans, Catechists, flower ladies, counters, readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, the choir and organist, the Legion of Mary, children's' liturgy and anyone else who volunteers in the Parish. You are invited for drinks and nibbles on Friday 13th December in the Newman Room between 7:30pm and 8:30pm to come together for a pleasant evening of drinks and nibbles. We are catering per head so if you can make it, please write your name, contact number, and what you do in the Parish on the sign up sheet at the back of the Church. I do hope to see you all there.

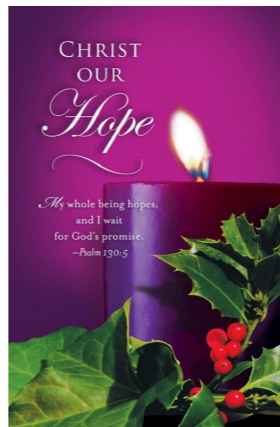
Holy Communion Class Date Change - The 14th December class has now been brought forward to the 7th December.

Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner—7pm on Saturday 14th December. We are collecting names after each Mass. Places are limited so first come first serve.

RIP



Over the past 11 and a half years, many parishioners came to know Fr Sean's Labrador Lucy. Sadly, in the early hours of Thursday morning, her hips gave out and she was put to sleep. For those of you who have had dogs, you will understand the loss of a faithful companion and friend. For those of you who have not had the wonderful experience of a dog, you may well be thinking "oh, she was only a dog", but, she was like family. Chelsea, Susan and others who have been in, have commented on how empty the presbytery feels, and I assure you it does, but there is a light around the corner. A couple of weeks ago Fr Sean's dad put a deposit on a new puppy, a cockapoo, and "Daisy" will be arriving on the 12th December and the new Labrador puppy in a few months time. These new incumbents will not replace Lucy, as each dog is unique, but they will bring their own presence to the presbytery and to my life. And the first couple of years with two puppies in the house will be chaos!



HYMNS

9am Mass	11am Mass
Entrance 92	Entrance 109
Kyrie Missa Simplex	Kyrie 497 Missa de Angelis
Gospel Accl 540	Gospel Accl 71 (Frances, Verse)
Offertory 894	Credo 503 Missa de Angelis
Sanctus Missa Simplex	Offertory 87
Memorial Sung	Sanctus 499 Missa de Angelis
Our Father Said	Memorial Acclamation Sung
Agnus Dei Missa Simplex	Our Father 500 Pater Noster
Communion 898	Agnus Dei 507 Missa de Angelis
Recessional organ voluntary	Communion 84
	Recessional organ voluntary

FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS

30th November 2019 – 7th December 2019

Feast Days:

Tuesday 3rd—St Francis Xavier, Priest

Friday 6th—St Nicholas, Bishop

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 30th	6pm	Peter Vahey (Birthday Intentions)
Sun 1st	9am	People of the Parish
	11am	Mary Thornton RIP
Mon 2nd	7pm	Fr Sean's Birthday (Intentions)
Tues 3rd	10am	Fr Sean's Birthday (Intentions)
Wed 4th	10am	Pat Liston (A)
Thurs 5th	10am	Patrick Murphy (A)
Fri 6th	7pm	Mick Hoare
Sat 7th	10am	O'Sullivan Family Intentions
	6pm	People of the Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS

Main Altar: The homeless
Sacred Heart: The bereaved
Our Lady: The dying

EVENTS

Every Saturday : Legion of Mary meetings after the 10am Mass

Every Sunday : Coffee & Cake after 9am & 11am Mass

Every Monday : Bible Study at 7:30pm in the Dempsey Room & Choir Practice at 8pm

Every Tuesday: Keep Fit with Ruth in the Newman Room after 10am Mass, all ages and abilities welcome!

1st Thursday of every month : Faith Sharing Group after 10am Mass

2nd Thursday of every month : Padre Pio meeting at 2 Leigh Gardens, London NW10 5HP. 7pm Rosary, 7:30pm Mass.

Thank you for your contribution

Standing Orders for October came to
£2682

Last Week's Collection
Loose Plate : £514.88 Envelopes : £528.90

Parish Priest: Fr Sean Thornton **Presbytery:** 1 Wrentham Avenue, London, NW10 3HT
Parish Office Hours: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays between 9:30am and 2:30pm
Tel: 020 8964 4040 **E-mail:** churchofthetransfiguration@hotmail.com
Parish magazine: Transfigurationparishmag@outlook.com **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/CotTKR
Website: www.transfigparishkensalrise.org.uk **Westminster Charity No:** 233699

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

esse hic nos est bonum domine, ad Iesum: domine, bonum est nos hic esse

Respondens autem petrus dixit ad Iesum: domine, bonum est nos hic esse