

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 of Lent (C)

13 March 2016

NEWSLETTER

PLANNED GIVING AND YOUR DONATIONS TO YOUR PARISH

This weekend the new planned giving boxes are available. In the 13 years that I have been Parish Priest here the demographics of the parish have changed enormously. Many parishioners who bought homes here in the 1960s, 70s, 80s have sold up and moved away. I have seen many young families move away from the area as they can no longer afford the rents. Many new people have moved into the parish and you are most welcome.

The area has become very expensive and people who were born and brought up here are finding it increasingly difficult to purchase or rent property. Some of the people who have moved into the area go away for 3 - 4 weeks in the summer, Christmas and Easter holidays and the half-term breaks and are often only here 1 - 2 weekends a month. It is these people and families that I am making a special appeal this week to consider how you give to your parish. As you will imagine the maintenance, heating etc. of such a large building is very costly. There are also four salaries to be paid and this is becoming increasingly difficult on the income of the parish. I am therefore asking everyone both new and old to consider not only increasing your offertory if you are able to, but also how you give your offertory. Many people today, especially the young pay their bills by Direct Debit, would you please consider giving your offertory to the church in this way as it will mean a regular income especially during the holidays and the weekends you may be away. This will give the parish not only financial security but also a means of planning ahead. If you would not prefer to give by Direct Debit I would ask you to consider the weekly planned giving envelopes, which will be available today. By using these two methods of contributing to your parish it means that you are thinking about your contributions and not just seeing what change you have in your pocket on a particular Sunday.

If you are not registered in the parish Direct Debit and Planned Giving are a great way to determine who lives and worships in this parish especially when it comes to signing official forms such as passport applications etc. Unfortunately the raising of money to maintain buildings etc is part of a Parish Priests life.

I would like to thank everyone in the parish who contributes especially in these hard times.

A priest commented last Tuesday, at the Deanery meeting, how pristine and beautiful the church, the hall and the parish meeting rooms always look, this costs money. There will be those, due to financial pressure who are unable to give or who have to reduce the amount they give through planned giving and Direct Debit, please have no hesitation in doing so if you find yourself in this situation.

Again thank you to everyone for your ongoing support, with my best wishes and affection God Bless *Fr Sean*

APF - MILL HILL - RED BOXES APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS 12/13 MARCH 2016

This weekend, we welcome, Fr Donie O'Connor MHM, a Mill Hill father, to the parish to appeal for volunteers for the APF or it's new name - Missio.

MISSIO

LENT FAITH-SHARING GROUP

Our parish group meets every **Thursday** during Lent in the Newman Room after 10 am Mass. Everyone is welcome to come and explore with fellow parishioners the extent of God's mercy and forgiveness in their own lives. For more information call: 8960 5263.

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FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS

13 - 20 March

Sat 12th 6pm Michael & Maureen O'Sullivan (A)
 Sun 13th 9am Jimmy Collins (RIP)
 Sun 13th 11am People of the Parish (Ints)
 Sun 13th 5pm Peter Vahey (Ints)

Mon 14th 7pm Gina (Int.)
 Tue 15th 10am Vera Dolan (Ints)
 Wed 16th 10am Bill Thompson (Int)
 Thu 17th 10am **St Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland**
 Jimmy Collins (RIP)
 Fri 18th 7pm Laurence Prior (RIP)
St Joseph, Spouse of Blessed Virgin Mary,
 Sat 19th 10am John Deegan (RIP)

Sat 19th 6pm Ines & Ernesto (A)
 Sun 20th 9am Gwen (thanksgiving)
 Sun 20th 11am John Conway (A)
 Sun 20th 5pm People of the Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS

Main Altar: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Sacred Heart: All the sick in the parish
Our Lady: All the terminally ill in the parish

| HYMNS FOR 9AM MASS | | HYMNS FOR 11AM MASS | |
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| Entrance | 938 | Entrance | 202 |
| Kyrie | Missa Simplex | Kyrie | Missa Simplex |
| Gospel Acclamation | 185 | Gospel Acclamation | 185 v10 |
| Offertory | 605 | Offertory | 605 |
| Sanctus | Missa Simplex | Sanctus | Missa Simplex |
| Memorial Accl | Missa Simplex | Memorial Accl | Missa Simplex |
| Agnus Dei | Missa Simplex | Our Father | 587 |
| Communion | 196 | Agnus Dei | Missa Simplex |
| Recessional | 212 | Communion | 196 |
| New members warmly welcomed to join the choir. Practice Monday evenings 8-9 pm | | Recessional | 807 |
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COUNTERS

Please put Planned Giving Envelopes through the Presbytery door with Cash Sheet when finished counting.

CHURCH BELL/ NEW BOILER

In our quest to raise funds for our Church Bell / New Boiler we have designed & produced very durable and classy Church of The Transfiguration tote bags & Tea Towels for sale. The bags cost £10 and Tea Towels £5. They will be available for sale in the Church Porch. Please support our fund raising efforts.

God bless.

ARCHDIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

24th - 30th July.

The Lourdes theme this year is Merciful Like the Father. For more information contact www.tangney-tours.com

REFRESHMENTS...

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

Beginning Experience

There is a healing weekend for men and women who find themselves single again following divorce, separation or the death of a partner from 15th to 17th April 2016 at the Emmaus Centre, West Wickham, Kent.

For details please contact Sandra 01293-783965, Freda 01322 -838415 or John 01992-642443 email johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE CHURCH FLOWERS

We really need some more helpers to do the Church flowers, this would be once or twice a month at most. Anyone who is interested please do contact Sarah on 07765157540 or hoylepixie@hotmail.com.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Quiz night - 22nd April 2016
 Race Night - 14th October 2016

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

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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday starting at 6.15pm.



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Planned Giving: £813.40
 Loose Plate: £783.00

Many Thanks

These figures do not include Direct Debits

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