



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

29 JANUARY 2017

NEWSLETTER

CONGRATULATIONS

On behalf of the parish I would like to congratulate Lydia Ogundimu, Gina Ponzoni and Susan Carberry who have been awarded the Bene Merenti by his Holiness Pope Francis. This prestigious award has been given to them for many, many years of devoted volunteering to the parish.

Lydia and Gina spend hours each week looking after the church and the sacristy, locking and unlocking the church, preparing for the Mass, taking care of the sacred vessels etc.

For over 20 years, Susan has volunteered as the parish administrator until her retirement in December. Six months ago I brought to the attention of the authorities at Westminster the wonderful work of these three ladies and asked if the church would recognise it.

A letter was sent to Rome giving the details of the tremendous work they have carried out in this parish for so many years and the Pope has rewarded their goodness.

Susan Gina and Lydia have never asked for thanks or reward but I wanted recognition for all they have done. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be coming to bestow the Bene Merenti medal on them on Sunday 26th February during the 11am Mass.

On behalf of everyone in the parish, I not only want to congratulate Gina, Lydia and Susan but also I would like to thank them for the years of devoted service to this parish. I hope as many of you as possible will attend the 11am Mass and celebrate this great event in their lives and in the parish.

God bless, Fr Sean

Dates For Your Diary

Parish Summer Party

This year on the 40th anniversary of the foundation of this parish in its present situation, we will be holding on Sunday 2nd July after the 11am mass. This has always proved a popular event and we hope that many of you will continue to support it. More details will be given at a later date concerning arrangements.

Soup for Lent

In just over a months time we will be in the season of Lent and I would like to continue with our Friday Lenten Lunches. This year we will need volunteers to make to soup for about 10-15 people. We will know the exact number by the previous Tuesday. Being a Friday in Lent, the soups need to be vegetarian or fish based.

Without volunteers we will not be able to have our popular lunches. The soup only has to be simple and can be made in the convenience of your own home and be brought in to the kitchen upstairs to be warmed on the Friday. Rolls will be provided. Our Lenten lunches take place after the 12 noon mass. If you are able to help please do sign the list at the back of the church.

Many thanks, Fr Sean

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FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS

28 January - 4 February

Sat	28th	6pm	Liam O'Mullane (RIP)
Sun	29th	9am	Gina Ponzoni (Ints)
Sun	29th	11am	Catherine O'Connor (A)
Sun	29th	5pm	People of the Parish
Mon	30th	7pm	Patsy Grundon (Ints)
Tues	31st	10am	Eileen Glavin (RIP)
Wed	1st	10am	Pauline Thornton (RIP)
Thurs	2nd	10am	Norman Wallace (Ints)
Fri	3rd	7pm	Bridget Clear (RIP)
Sat	4th	10am	Philomena O'Neill (A)
Sat	4th	6pm	Lauretta (Ints)

SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS

Main Altar:	Holocaust Memorial
Sacred Heart:	Alfonso Ortiz Garcia (RIP)
Our Lady:	Quamari Barnes (RIP)

HYMNS FOR 9AM MASS

HYMNS FOR 11AM MASS

Entrance	464	Entrance	702
Kyrie	Heritage Mass	Kyrie	German Mass
Gloria	Heritage Mass	Gloria	German Mass
Gospel Acclamation	540	Gospel Acclamation	535
Offertory	606	Offertory	602
Sanctus	Heritage Mass	Sanctus	German Mass
Memorial Accl	Sung	Memorial Accl	Missa Simplex
Agnus Dei	Heritage Mass	Our Father	German Mass
Communion	812	Agnus Dei	German Mass
Recessional	828	Communion	745
New members warmly welcomed to join the choir. Practice Monday evenings 8-9 pm		Recessional	861

OTHER NOTICES

**PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE EVENTS PAGE FOR
UPCOMING EVENTS WITHIN THE CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY**

Apparition Hill (PG-13)

When: 3rd of February 2017. Arrival for drinks at 6.30pm.

Screening starts at 7.00pm (film lasts for two hours)

Where: May Fair Hotel Theatre (Stratton Street London W1J 8LT). The cinema has a capacity for 200 people

Price per ticket: £20 (includes the welcome drinks at 6.30pm). All proceeds will go to Mary's Meals, a charity that Carlos and I are supporting. Tickets can be paid and collected on the day of the screening at the Theatre. Please

let us know by email (cm761@yahoo.com or carmdv@googlemail.com) or in person if you can attend and how many tickets you would like us to reserve for you. Bring your teenage children and friends too. We would love to see you all there! Katharina and Carlos Mendez de Vigo

Cathedral Masses

Three specific dates in this calendar are:

1. Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday 11th February at 2pm in the Cathedral

2. Mass for Bereaved Parents

On Saturday 11th March at 2.30pm in the Cathedral a Mass will be celebrated for all bereaved parents. As this is the first time for such a diocesan-wide event the expected response is unknown. Therefore please advertise this Mass in your parish. As parents arrive in the Cathedral that day they will be invited to write the name of their deceased child, which will later be collected and taken to the sanctuary.

3. Blessing of Carers

In order to acknowledge those in our parishes who care for neighbours and family members at home we invite you to have a 'Blessing for Carers' in this season. The Fourteenth Sunday of the Year, 8th/9th July, is the suggested date, the Gospel of the day appropriately being Matthew 11.25-30. Parishes, if they wish, can choose a different date.

CHURCH NOTICES

Counters Meeting—Sun 5th Feb at 6pm

Please could all weekly counters attend a meeting held by Fr Sean on Sunday 5th Feb.

Tuesday Cub - Tues 7th Feb at 10:30am

Speaker—Simon Bottomley (Photographer) will be talking about his Antarctic adventures and showing you some of his incredible photography

The Tuesday Club came about as an opportunity for senior citizens to come together to socialise and to listen to a speaker. The club is open to parishioners and non-parishioners alike. So far we have had a variety of speakers including the actor Craig Kelly, prison governor Jason Swettenham and paramedic Nick Mars.

The club meets at 10:30am on the first Tuesday of the month unless mentioned in the newsletter. If you would like to come along and meet other local people, make new friends over a cup of tea or coffee and listen to the monthly speaker, you are most welcome.

If you know someone who lives in your street, particularly if they live, alone please do let them know about this event. The next Tuesday club will be on February 7th at 10:30am in the Newman Room which is accessed by the staircase in the porch of the church.

Next Confirmation Class

Saturday 11th February -Baptism and Confirmation.
Powerpoint Presentation

Sanctuary Lamps

You will notice that we have three lamps. One denoting the real presence of Christ in the tabernacle, one at Our Lady's Altar and one at the Sacred Heart Altar.

If you would like one of these lamps to burn for your intentions or for the repose of the soul for a loved one, this can be booked at the parish office for the minimum stipend of £10 for the week.

Last Week's Collection

Loose Plate - £616.19

Envelopes - £535.90

Thank you for your contribution

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN THE PARISH
WHO ARE SICK AND/OR HOUSEBOUND AND ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE NOBODY ELSE TO PRAY FOR**