



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

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, King of the Universe 26th November 2017

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parishioners,

As I mentioned two weeks ago, and as I mentioned several months ago at the Sunday 5pm Mass, it has been on my mind that we have too many Masses for the number in our congregation. Kensal Rise has changed quite dramatically over the last decade or so, the social make up is now very different to what it was when I moved to the Parish 14 years ago. Whole communities who once made up the majority of this Parish are no longer here, as house prices have increased people have sold up and moved away, and as rents have gone up, numerous families have come to say goodbye to me as they are no longer able to afford the large rent increases. Our last Mass count was 560. That number of parishioners can easily be accommodated at the Saturday 6pm, and the Sunday 9 and 11am Mass. There is also a Mass in Italian at 12:30. We do not live in a rural area and there are parishes very close by which will continue to have a Sunday evening Mass. For instance, St Mary Magdalen's which is over twice the size of this Parish, has a 6:30pm Mass on Sunday. I did ask for some feedback on my thoughts and I heard from two parishioners saying its lovely to have such a choice of Masses and how important the offering of Mass is. However, we need to look not at what is convenient, but what is practical, and we need to be thinking of the future. Therefore, the last Sunday evening Mass will be on Sunday 31st December. I am so grateful to the large positive response to this necessary change and to the support of the Parish Council.

God bless you, Fr Sean.

Holy Souls—November Dead List

November is the time the Church sets aside every year to pray for the Holy Souls. I find this month a time of great consolation for it reminds us that our love and relationships with our family and friends does not end with death; as members of the Church that relationship continues and in fact we can help the souls of our loved ones through the offering of the Sacrifice of the Mass. There will be four Masses said each week during November for the names on our November Dead List. If you would like your deceased loved ones and friends remembered in these Masses, please put their names in a November Dead List envelope and return it to the church or the Presbytery.

CAFOD - Power to be: our renewable energy campaign

Every child has the power in them to achieve great things. But with one in six people still living without electricity, the hopes of millions of the world's children are too often a distant dream. This holds children back from reaching their full potential. By joining CAFOD's Power to be campaign, you can speak up for local, renewable energy, and help families around the world to lift themselves out of poverty. Local, renewable energy is usually the cheapest, fastest and most efficient solution to bring power to the poorest communities. It can help families to lift themselves out of poverty, without harming the world we share. The UK has a strong voice. So through 'Power to Be', we're calling on Melanie Robinson, UK Executive Director at the World Bank, to use her influence to ensure the Bank invests in providing safe, reliable, affordable and renewable energy for poor communities. By speaking up, we can press the UK to stay true to its values, and reaffirm its commitments to tackle poverty and climate change. There will be cards available to sign on the cake stall in the porch for the next couple of weeks. Please take the time to stop and sign a card. All the signatures will be presented to Melanie Robinson at the World Bank.

HYMNS

9am Mass	11am Mass
Entrance 821	Entrance 320
Kyrie St Anne's Mass	Kyrie German Mass
Gloria St Anne's Mass	Responsorial Psalm German Mass
Gospel Accl 534	Gospel Accl 535
Offertory 605	Offertory 601
Sanctus St Anne's Mass	Sanctus German Mass
Memorial Accl Sung	Memorial Accl Sung
Agnus Dei St Anne's Mass	Our Father German Mass
Communion 802	Agnus Dei German Mass
Recessional 807	Communion 648
	Recessional 769

FEASTS AND MASS INTENTIONS

25th November- 2nd December

*Feast Day - St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 25th	6pm	Ernesto Ratti (A)
Sun 26th	9am	November Dead List
	11am	Madam Margaret Azubuike (RIP)
	5pm	People of the Parish
Mon 27th	7pm	November Dead List
Tues 28th	10am	The rekindling of love between an estranged couple
Wed 29th	10am	November Dead List
Thurs 30th*	10am	November Dead List
Fri 1st	7pm	Mary Thornton (RIP)
Sat 2nd	10am	Fr Sean's Birthday (Ints)
	6pm	Celestino & Mercedes Sanandres (Ints)

SANCTUARY LAMP AND SIDE ALTAR LAMPS

Main Altar: Gaia Pope (RIP)
Sacred Heart: November Dead List
Our Lady: Catherine Kostopoulos (Ints)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND NOTICES

Holy Communion 2018 : The next meeting for Holy Communion children will be on 2nd December at 12noon.

Confirmation 2018 : The first Confirmation class will be on Saturday 2nd December between 4-6pm, in the Newman Room. Parents and candidates MUST attend.

Small Groups : Please join us for the next three Thursdays after the 10am Mass, in the Newman Room.

Aladdin at the Pantomime : We have a booking of 30 tickets for Aladdin at the Richmond Theatre for the 1 o'clock matinee on 4th January 2018, for £15 each. Please sign the sheet at the back of the Church and put money in a labelled envelope through the Presbytery door if you would like to join us.

50/50 Returns For Christmas : The social committee will be selling the envelopes on the weekend of 25th & 26th November, and Fr Sean will be picking out prize winners on 17th December. Good luck!

Thank you for your contribution

Standing Orders for October came to £2,301	Last weeks collection Loose Plate - £594.79 Envelopes - £445.25
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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