

Parish Prayer List

We pray for those in the parish who are sick: Debra Minty Baker, Carmine di Cesare, Marie Carroll Copestake, Michael Gill, Chris Hicks, Danny Rutilio, and Alan Stewart.
The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health.
Psalm 41:3

Tim Hetherington Film Club at Farm Street

Next showing: **Arrupe Hall 6.30pm for 7.00pm on Tuesday 22 February**

Cost: free refreshments (donations welcome)
Presenting: **'The Exorcist'** (1972) 2hr 12min
Join us to celebrate 50 years since this Jesuit-related classic was released!

When a 12-year-old girl is possessed by a mysterious entity, her mother seeks the help of two Jesuit priests to try to save her. It is now fifty years since the novel followed by the film came out. The cultural conversation around this supernatural horror film encompassing its treatment of Catholicism helped it to become the first such film to be nominated for an Oscar.

Nominated for ten awards, the film won best Adapted Screenplay and Best Sound. Film critic, Mark Kermode, named 'The Exorcist' as his 'favourite film of all time'; do join us to make up your own mind but prepare to be shocked!

For more information email David at dthurst52@gmail.com

Paulist Pilgrimages

Ignatius in Rome
June 26-July 2, 2022

You are invited to join

Frs. Julio Giulietti SJ and Thomas A. Kane, CSP on a seven-day Ignatian pilgrimage into the heart of St. Ignatius Loyola in Rome.

We invite our pilgrims to engage fully in the Spiritual Exercises to deepen their relationship with Christ. Retreat conferences will focus on the spirituality of St. Ignatius and Jesuit history. for Itinerary and information check www.paulistpilgrimages.org

Catholic Children's Society

The Catholic Children's Society has written to the parish to thank everyone for their generosity in donating to the charity. Farm Street Church raised **£1,500** for the CCS, which we are assured will go a long way in bringing comfort and hope to vulnerable children and families in crisis.

A Day with Mary

When: Saturday 5th March

Where: Church of Mary, Mother of God. Nags Head Road, Ponders End.

9:30am Entry procession of Our Lady. Angelus. Crowning. Sung Litany. Mass in honour of Our Lady. Celebrant & Preacher: Fr John Shewring. Re-consecration of the parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Five Joyful Mysteries.

11.45am Lunch break *Please bring a packed lunch*

112.45pm Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Sermon on Our Lady by Fr James Cadman. The Five Luminous Mysteries. Silent adoration Meditation on the Passion.

2.45pm Tea break

3.15pm Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Bijoy Chandra Nayaak CMF. The Five Glorious Mysteries. Act of Consecration. Benediction. Enrolments in the Brown Scapular and Miraculous Medal.

Finish for **4.30pm**

Throughout the day: Confession and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

London Catholic History Walks

www.catholichistorywalks.com

Sunday February 20th Meet 3pm main gate, St Mary's University, Twickenham TW1 4SX. Nearest tube: Strawberry Hill. We'll discover the story of St Mary's and walk along the river to Richmond.

The walks are led by Joanna Bogle, historian and author. No need to book, just turn up! We suggest a donation of £5.00p. Children should be accompanied by an adult with responsibility for them. Each Walk lasts 1-2 hours, but of course people can leave at any time. Wear suitable clothing and shoes – we walk whatever the weather! We are happy to organise specific walks for groups or schools. Contact us on catholichistorywalks@gmail.com

NEWSLETTER

JESUIT CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FARM STREET



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th February 2022

PARISH CLERGY

Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest
Fr Nicholas King SJ; Fr Michael Holman SJ

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 8am, 1.05pm, & 6pm
Saturday: 8am & 6pm
Sunday: 8am, 9.30am (Family), 11am (Latin), 12.30pm, 5.30pm, & 7pm (Young Adult, 18-35)

All Masses can be viewed on our livestreaming page <https://www.farmstreet.org.uk/livestream>

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT

Monday to Friday: 12 noon to 1pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday: 12 noon - 1pm
Saturday: 10am to 12 noon; 5.45pm – 6pm
Sunday: Fifteen minutes before every Mass
Also by appointment

BAPTISM AND WEDDINGS

By appointment.

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday: 7.30am - 6.30pm
Sunday: 7.30am – 7.00pm

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ENTRY

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

RESPONSE

The Lord is compassion and love.

ACCLAMATION

Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your son.

COMMUNION

I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.



ANGELUS ADDRESS

This Sunday's Gospel passage (cf. Lk 6:27-38) concerns a central point that characterizes Christian life: *love for enemies*. Jesus' words are clear: "I say to you that hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you" (vv. 27-38). And this is not *optional*, it is a command. It is not for everyone, but for the disciples, whom Jesus calls "you that hear". He is well aware that loving enemies exceeds our possibilities, but this is why he became man: not to leave us as we are, but to transform us into men and women capable of a greater love, that of his Father and ours. This is the love that Jesus gives to those who 'hear him'. Thus it becomes possible! With him, thanks to his love, to his Spirit, we are able to love even those who do not love us, even those who do us harm.

In this way, Jesus wants God's love to triumph over hatred and rancour in every heart. The logic of love, which culminates in Christ's Cross, is a Christian's badge and induces us to meet everyone with the heart of brothers and sisters. But how is it possible to overcome human instinct and the worldly law of retaliation? Jesus provides the answer in the same Gospel passage: "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (v. 36). Those who hear Jesus, who make an effort to follow him even at a cost, become children of God, and begin to truly resemble the Father who is in heaven. We become capable of things we never thought we could say or do, and of which we would have been rather ashamed, but which now give us joy and peace instead. We no longer need to be violent, with words and gestures: we discover that we are capable of tenderness and goodness; and we sense that all of this comes not from ourselves but from him! And thus we do not brag about it but are grateful for it.

There is nothing greater and more fruitful than love: it bestows all dignity to the person, while, on the contrary, hatred and vengeance decrease it, marring the beauty of the creature made in God's image.

This command, to respond to insult and wrongdoing with love, has created a new culture in the world: "a culture of mercy" — we need to learn this well! And properly practice this culture of mercy — which "can set in motion a real cultural revolution" (Apostolic

Letter *Misericordia et Misera*, 20). It is the revolution of love, in which the protagonists are the martyrs of all times. And Jesus assures us that our behaviour, inspired by love for those who do us harm, will not be in vain. He tells us: "forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you" (vv. 37-38). This is beautiful. God will give us something beautiful if we are generous, merciful. We must forgive because God has forgiven us and always forgives us. If we do not forgive completely, we cannot expect to be forgiven completely. However, if our hearts are open to mercy, if we seal forgiveness with a brotherly embrace and secure the bonds of communion, we proclaim to the world that it is possible to overcome evil with good. At times it is easier for us to remember the harm they have done to us and not the good things; to the point that there are people who have this habit and it becomes a sickness. They are "collectors of injustice": they only remember the bad things done. And this is not a path. We must do the opposite, Jesus says. Remember the good things, and when someone comes with some gossip, and speaks ill of another, say: "Yes, perhaps ... but he has this good quality...". Turn the discussion around. This is the revolution of mercy.

May the Virgin Mary help us to let our heart be touched by this holy word of Jesus, burning like fire, that it may transform us and make us able to do good without reciprocation, *doing good without reciprocation*, witnessing everywhere to the victory of love.

Pope Francis

Delivered to St Peter's Square on Sunday, 24th February 2019.

Mass intention

If you would like a Mass to be celebrated for a specific intention, please contact the Parish Secretary at farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk

9.30am Mass Hymns

<i>Entrance</i>	935	Dear Lord and Father of mankind
<i>Offertory</i>	609	In bread we bring you Lord
<i>Communion</i>	803	Love is his word
<i>Recessional</i>	959	All my hope on God is founded

Liturgical Calendar

Sun: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon: Feria; St Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor
Tue: The Chair of St Peter the Apostle
Wed: St Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr
Thu: Feria
Fri: Feria
Sat: Feria; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
Sun: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daily Bible Readings

Sun: I Samuel 26:7-23;
I Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38
Mon: James 3:13-18; Mark 9:14-29
Tue: I Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19
Wed: James 4:13-17; Mark 9:38-40
Thu: James 5:1-6; Mark 9:41-50
Fri: James 5:9-12; Mark 10:1-12
Sat: James 5:13-20; Mark 10:13-16
Sun: Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8;
I Corinthians 15:54-58; Luke 6:39-45

Sunday Refreshments

We are happy to say that refreshments have now resumed in the Arrupe Hall after the 9.30am, 11am, and 5.30pm Sunday Masses (second and fourth Sunday only for 5.30pm). All are welcome to join us for tea or coffee and fellowship.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday falls this year on Wednesday 2nd March. Mass will be celebrated at Farm Street at 8am, 1.05pm, and 6pm, with imposition of ashes at each Masses. Confessions will be heard in the church from 12 noon to 1pm and from 5pm to 6pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The next First Reconciliation and Holy Communion Programme, for children who are on year three begins on **27th of February 2022 from 10:30 - 11:30am**. The Celebration day: **16th October 2022**. To register, please contact us: farmstcatechist@rcdow.org.uk

CONFIRMATIONS

The programme for the Sacrament of Confirmation (teens age 14+), begins on the **16th of March 2022, 10:30 - 11:30 am**. The celebration day: 3rd July 2022. To register, please contact us: farmstcatechist@rcdow.org.uk

The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

In the month of February 2022, we pray for religious sisters and consecrated women. We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new response to the challenges of our times.

Sir Harold Hood Memorial Lecture

The Sir Harold Hood Memorial lecture is on Thursday 24th Feb between 6 and 8.30pm at Westminster Cathedral Hall. Prof Anna Rowlands will be speaking on Reimagining Human Dignity in Dark Times. For more information and to book a place, please visit www.prisonadvice.org.uk.

SVP Volunteers

The St Vincent de Paul Society organises a soup run in the local area every Monday night for the homeless. They need more volunteers to help with the soup run, starting at 7:30pm from Farm Street Church. If you might be able to help, please contact Yasko Kurahachi on y.kurahachi@gmail.com

11am Mass Music List

Mass: Missa Octava (*Hassler*)
Motets: Intende voci orationis meae (*Elgar*)
 Cibavit eos (*Byrd*)
Organ: Præludium in E minor (*Bruhns*)

London Jesuit Centre

The London Jesuit Centre is a place for the teaching and discussion of theology, the study and practice of the spiritual life, and engagement with issues of social and environmental justice, for the greater glory of God and the common good. It offers a programme of events, courses, and retreats. It is also a centre for individual spiritual direction and training and professional development in spiritual accompaniment. All are welcome to participate in the London Jesuit Centre programme. For more information and to sign up to their mailing list for regular updates on events, please visit <https://londonjesuitcentre.org/>. For more information, contact Anne Paolino at apaolino@jesuit.org.uk.