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 Jesuitrelated 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 Excorcist' 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.paulist pilgrimages.org

A Day with Mary

When: Saturday 19th February 2022
Where: Holy Apostles, Winchester Street,
SW1V

10:00am Entry procession of Our Lady. Angelus. Crowning. Sung Litany. Mass in honour of Our Lady. Celebrant & Preacher: Canon Pat Browne. The Five Joyful Mysteries.

12.15pm Lunch break *Please bring a packed* lunch

1.15pm Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The Five Luminious Mysteries. Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Pius Collins. The Five Sorrowful Mysteries. Meditation on the Passion.

3.30pm Tea break

4.15pm Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Charles Soyombo. The Five Glorious Mysteries. Act of Consecration. Benediction. Enrolments in the Brown Scapular and Miraculous Medal. Finish for **5.30pm**

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

London Catholic History Walks

www.catholichistorywalks.com

Wednesday February 16th meet 6pm at The Monument Fish Street Hill London EC2R 8AH. Nearest tube: MONUMENT London We'll learn about the Great Fire and walk along the river to the Tower of London.

Friday February 18th meet 3pm (note time) steps of St Paul's Cathedral EC4M 8AD. We'll walk to Smithfield and then down Fleet Street to St Bride's church, with its crypt telling the story of Roman and Saxon London.

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



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 13th February 2022

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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

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

RESPONSE

Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.

ACCLAMATION

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

COMMUNION

They are and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Friday of this week, February 11th, was the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Lourdes is a place to which I have been addicted for some 60 years. The Lord and his Mother, however, evidently have a sense of humour, because the first time I ever went, in 1963, I swore I would never go again, so irritated was I by the pious superstition and the tawdry commercialism (neither of which has gone away, I may say). However, the next year, very much to my surprise, I was back in that place, this time on the first-ever Stonyhurst pilgrimage; and then and there two things became clear to me: first, that late at night, down there at the Grotto, there was a presence which gently summoned me and listened to me with a smile (and has never ceased to do so). Secondly I now found myself working with the sick people who are the centre of attention in Lourdes; and I discovered that they gave me far more than I could possibly be giving them. I suppose that as a robust adolescent I saw only the possibility of generously looking after them, and had not realised how much they were going to teach me. So I was bitten by the Lourdes bug, and have not yet been cured of it!

You probably know the story: Bernadette Soubirous, who was probably the least important person in the whole of the unimportant Pyrenean town of Lourdes, was collecting wood in a place then known, somewhat unattractively, as the "place of the pigs", on February 11th 1858 and she saw, what? A vision of something to which she never gave a name, beyond the word Acquero, "that one" in her dialect; but it was more beautiful than anything she had ever seen before. And it kept drawing her back to the Grotto, even though sometimes there was no apparition when Bernadette got there. Finally, on March the 25th, feast of the Annunciation, "That One", after much pleading on Bernadette's part, finally spoke and made a revelation, in Bernadette's own dialect, "I am the Immaculate Conception". Now this dogma had been defined by the Church some four years earlier, in 1854. But this had not apparently reached the mountainous Upper Pyrenees, because Bernadette had to run all the way back to town reciting the formula to herself, so that she would not forget it. Breathlessly, she poured it out to the parish priest, Mgr Peyramale, who had been very formidably sceptical up to this point; now, however, the good pastor recognised that he was dealing with the Real Thing. From then on, he became her ardent defender. And she never changed her story and would not allow her family to profit in any way from what had happened.

Quite soon, indeed almost immediately, miracles of healing started to take place. They continue to this day; and indeed anyone can go into the Medical Bureau and inspect the evidence. And anyone with medical qualifications can offer themselves to sit on any board of examination.

Lourdes is not however all about miracles, as you might be inclined to suppose; and therefore it is appropriate that February 11th each year, the anniversary of the first apparition, has now been made, some 30 years ago by John Paul II, "World Day of the Sick". now I'm nervous about ideas like "Day" or "Week" or "Year", which seem to cut across our existing calendar; and I am uneasy about the word "sick" in this context because in Lourdes we talk no longer of "sick" people, but of "assisted pilgrims", to avoid any sense that they are second class citizens. For in Lourdes they are the absolute centre of attention, and far outweigh in importance animals such as priests, Bishops, archbishops, and even Cardinals or Popes. They are a glimpse of what God's Kingdom is like. For that reason I love most of all in Lourdes the Blessed Sacrament procession, where the Lord goes freely among those who are on the edges of society and we can all see for ourselves but this is the right thing to do. For this year the prayer theme that has been selected is "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful". you will know that the idea of mercy is very important in Pope Francis' understanding of his vocation. He has written a beautiful and thoroughly challenging letter to us all, on this subject, which I commend to your attention.

Fr Nicholas King SJ

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		
Entrance	466	All people that on earth
		do dwell
Offertory	804	The King of love my
		shepherd is
Communion	794	God is love his the care
Recessional	880	Tell out my soul

Liturgical Calendar

Sun: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mon: SS Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop,

Patrons of Eruope

Tue: St Claude La Colombière SJ

Wed: Feria

Thu: Feria; The Seven Holy Founders of the

Servite Order

Fri: Feria

Sat: Feria; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
Sun: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daily Bible Readings

Sun: Jeremiah 17:5-8; I Corinthians 15:12-20;

Luke 6:17-26

Mon: Acts 13:46-49; Luke 10:1-9
Tue: James 1:12-18; Mark 8:14-21
Wed: James 1:19-27; Mark 8:22-26
Thu: James 2:1-9; Mark 8:27-33
Fri: James 2:14-26; Mark 8:34-9:1
Sat: James 3:1-10; Mark 9:2-13

Sun: I Samuel 26:7-23;

I Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2022

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 2022

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.

Racial Justice Sunday 2022

This Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday. The theme this year is, "In the Image and Likeness of God", celebrating different presentations of the Holy Family from different countries and cultures. The theme builds on that of the previous year's Racial Justice Sunday 'A Time to Act', which reflected on the importance of everyone recognising themselves, their race, their culture and their history in the life of the Church. The aim, in 2022, is to continue these conversations about how we see others in the "Image and Likeness of God". For more information, please visit www.cbcew.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

Safeguarding

The parish safeguarding e-mail address is not currently accessible. This should be fixed soon but, in the meantime, any safeguarding issue should be reported to the Diocese of Westminster.

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.