

Panel Discussion

There will be a panel discussion at Farm Street Church on Monday 28th March from 6.45pm to 8.15pm. The title of the event, organized by the Diocese of Westminster's Justice and Peace Commission, is 'Homelessness & the Pandemic: What have we learned?'

Light refreshments will follow after the discussion. All are most welcome to attend. There is no need to book. There is no charge, although donations will be accepted for homeless services.

This talk will also be livestreamed on our website.

Tim Hetherington Film Club at Farm Street

Location: 114 Mount St W1K 3AH
Next showing: Arrupe Hall 6.30pm for 7.00pm on Thursday 31 March 2022

Cost: free with refreshments (donations welcome)

Presenting: 'Francesco – Inspiring Hope' (1hr 56min) Book at dhurst52@gmail.com

Following the last club meeting where we showed the Jesuit-related 1973 classic 'The Exorcist, the film club continues with an excellent papal documentary.

'Francesco' is the 2020 headline-making Pope Francis documentary from Hollywood based, Russian director and producer, Evgeny Afineevsky. The making of this groundbreaking film granted unprecedented access to His Holiness, providing an intimate look at a global leader who approaches challenging and complex issues including climate change, migration and refugees, women's empowerment, sexual abuse, the global pandemic, border walls and others with tremendous humility, wisdom and generosity towards all.

The director, who achieved Oscar and Emmy nominations for his 2016 documentary, 'Winter on Fire – Ukraine's Fight for Freedom' may be joining us.

With a Covid-limited attendance, please register to attend with David at dhurst52@gmail.com
We look forward to welcoming you.

Ukraine Emergency Appeal

A few words from Anna Dezyk, organiser of this fundraising appeal on behalf of Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain (AUGB).

Millions of people in Ukraine are facing an imminent humanitarian crisis. They are in urgent need of medical supplies and relief as they face the prospect of renewed conflict. Please help them now.

A further Russian invasion will be catastrophic for the civilian population. The elderly, vulnerable, children and families are at risk of losing their homes and access to medical and other vital services. The psychological trauma of war will affect generations.

We are working with accredited and registered Ukrainian charities to provide medicines, food and critical services to support the most vulnerable to overcome the consequences and trauma of war.

Donate today to the **#HelpUkraine Emergency Appeal.**

Your donation will be used to fund immediate emergency and ongoing needs.

The more we collect, the more we'll be able to help - particularly with the longer-term impacts of hostilities, displacement and poverty on families, children, the elderly and those with special needs.

The food hygiene and medical packs comply with specifications set by the World Food Programme, UNICEF and the World Health Organisation (IEHK 2017).

If the crisis passes, the emergency medicine/ food/ hygiene packs that you have helped to buy will be released to hospitals and to Ukrainian accredited charitable organisations for distribution to those in desperate need.

Please donate today to the **#HelpUkraine Emergency Appeal!**

We will continue to adjust our fundraiser goal as needs continue.

To donate and for more information, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/f/helpukraine>

NEWSLETTER

JESUIT CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FARM STREET



Third Sunday of Lent 20th March 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 Thursday: 12 noon to 1pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (LENT)

Friday: 12.15pm to 12.45pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday: 12 noon - 1pm;
5.45pm - 5.55pm
Saturday: 10am to 12 noon; 5.45pm - 5.55pm
Sunday: Fifteen minutes before every Mass
Also by appointment

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

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

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ENTRY

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

RESPONSE

The Lord is compassion and love.

ACCLAMATION

Repent, says the Lord,
for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

COMMUNION

The sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever signing your praise.



Jesus and the Crowds: The Blood of the Galilean

On the first Sunday of Lent, we accompanied Jesus as he was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert in order to be tempted by the devil (Luke 4:1-13). On the second Sunday, we ascended the mountain in Galilee with him where he went to pray. There, three of his disciples had a sight of his glory and heard him speaking with Moses and Elijah about his forthcoming passion and death in Jerusalem (Luke 9:28-36).

On this third Lenten Sunday, we join Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem. This journey lasts ten chapters in Luke. Its content seems to owe nothing to Mark's gospel, but it contains much material similar to that of Matthew. But on this Sunday and the next, Luke's work has no parallels in other gospels. It is Luke's voice that we hear.

The best image by which to understand Jesus on his journey is that of a prophet like Isaiah or Hosea; Jesus "was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people" (Luke 24:19). A prophet calls a sinful people to repentance (e.g., Isaiah 1:16; Hosea 6:1); he pleads with them to turn aside from sin and to live in accordance with the law which God had given to Moses. So Jesus reacts to the tragic deaths of those killed by Pilate's soldiers and to the fate of those who perished through the fall of a tower, by calling the crowds around him to repentance. God was offering them the chance of salvation; they must not miss it.

He also spoke a parable about a fig tree. The fig tree whose barrenness symbolised their failure to live out the life that God wanted them to live, would soon be cut down, but not immediately. God in his mercy was giving them more time. On this third Sunday, each of us is reminded that Lent is a time for repentance and penance.

Fr Peter Edmonds 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

The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

In the month of March, we pray for a Christian response to bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Liturgical Calendar

Sun: Third Sunday of Lent
Mon: Lent feria
Tue: Lent feria
Wed: Lent feria; St Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
Thu: Lent feria
Fri: The Annunciation of the Lord (no Friday abstinence)
Sat: Lent feria
Sun: Fourth Sunday of Lent (*Laetare Sunday*)

Daily Bible Readings

Sun: Exodus 3:1-15; I Corinthians 10:1-12; Luke 13:1-9
Mon: II Kings 5:1-15; Luke 4:24-30
Tue: Daniel 3:25-43; Matthew 18:21-35
Wed: Deuteronomy 4:1-9; Matthew 5:17-19
Thu: Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23
Fri: Isaiah 7:10-8:10; Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38
Sat: Hosea 5:15-6:6; Luke 18:9-14
Sun: Joshua 5:9-12; II Corinthians 5:17-21; Luke 15:1-32

Prayer for Ukraine

Heavenly Father, Your will for your people is peace, not war. Pour out on our world, especially the Ukraine, your Spirit of compassion and solidarity. Convert the hearts of the aggressor to the way of peace. Be with all those who endure the consequences of war, especially the widow, the orphan, the refugee and the peacemaker. Grant all those who believe in you the strength and desire to be close to those who suffer. Bind us all into the peace of your Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fr Damian Howard SJ,
Provincial for the Jesuits in Britain

Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family of London

Our brothers and sisters at the neighbouring Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral have expressed how much they appreciate the messages of support and solidarity that they have received during this traumatic time of war. We have been asked to extend an invitation to all our parishioners to drop in to the Ukrainian Cathedral to pray and show support for the people of Ukraine. Details of opening times can be found on the Ukrainian Eparchy website <https://www.ucc-gb.com/>

Ash Wednesday Second Collection

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Ash Wednesday second collection for the work of the Jesuits in Poland in assisting the Ukrainian refugees. We raised **£2,714.41** to go to this vital work of humanitarian assistance.

Sunday Refreshments

Refreshments are served 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 and fellowship.

Congestion Charge

There has been a recent change to the times in which the London congestion charge is in effect. The times are now:
Monday to Friday: 7:00-18:00
Saturday, Sunday, Bank Holiday: 12:00-18:00

Welcome to Laila Asfoura from Bethlehem

Friends of the Holy Land have arranged for Laila Asfoura, a member of the Charity's local Committee in Bethlehem, to speak at all Masses on 26/27 March about the special challenges in Bethlehem, arising from COVID and the work of FHL. There will be a retiring collection to support the most needy Christians in the West Bank. Gaza, Israel and Jordan. For more information on the work of FHL or to make a donation, visit www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk or telephone 01926 512980.

The Ignatius Story As Drama

Date: Monday 21 March 2022, 6.45pm for 7.00pm.

Venue: In person at London Jesuit Centre
Register: A limited number of places is available. Register through London Jesuit Centre website. www.londonjesuitcentre.org. In recent years friends and members of the British province have independently produced three very different dramas exploring the character and experience of Ignatius and his journey of encounter with Christ. In this Ignatian anniversary year, the London Jesuit Centre is delighted to present an evening of conversation with some of the authors, actors and directors involved, as they discuss the challenge and the fascination of representing Ignatius' transforming encounter with the divine for a modern audience.

Parish Prayer List

We pray for those in the parish who are sick: Debra Minty Baker, Carmine di Cesare, Marie Carroll Copestake, Michael Gill, Chrissie Harkink-Mobbs, Chris Hicks, and Alan Stewart.

The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health.
Psalms 41:3

Quiet Room

In the past parents often made use of the St Ignatius Chapel when one or more of their children needed just a bit of quiet time and space during Mass. Although this chapel is used for confessions for about 15 minutes before Masses, it is available throughout the liturgy to anyone who wishes to use it and it does enjoy both sound-proofing and a view into the sanctuary.

9.30am Mass Hymns

Entrance	806	The Lord is my shepherd
Offertory	908	Blest are the pure in heart
Communion	803	Love is his word
Recessional	206	Forty days and forty nights

11am Mass Music

Mass	Mass for five voices	Byrd
Motets	Ne irascaris Domine	Byrd
	Civitas sancti tui	Byrd

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.