

**FARM STREET PARISH FILM CLUB PREVIEW**  
**Tim Hetherington Film Club at Farm Street, 114 Mount St W1K 3AH**

Next showing: **Arrupe Hall 6.30pm for 7.00pm on Thursday 24 November 2022**

Cost: free - with drinks and refreshments (donations welcome)

Presenting: **'What Lucia Saw'** (2022 1 hour 47 mins) Spanish with subtitles

Booking invited (but not necessary) at [dthurst52@gmail.com](mailto:dthurst52@gmail.com)

This important film tells the true story of Lucia Cerna, a woman who witnessed the assassination of six Jesuits, their cook, and a teenage girl, by the Salvadorian army in 1989. The murders took place on the campus of the Central American University and shocked the world. Lucia, who worked as the Jesuits' housekeeper, was the only eyewitness and the film is based on her account of what happened.

After the massacre, Lucia fled the country and made her way to Miami under the protection of the Jesuits, where she was pressured into changing her story by the FBI. She never did. Of the nine men accused of the murders, only two were ever convicted. Jesuits in El Salvador continue to campaign for all the facts to come to light and continue to call for all those responsible to be brought to justice.

Fr Damian Howard SJ, Jesuit Provincial Superior said: 'This powerful film transports you back to the world of the 1980s and shows what a radical following of the Gospel looks like in a context of injustice and oppression. Lucia's story makes us ask ourselves what it means to follow Christ with equal commitment and generosity in the very different world we live in today.'

**The Fragile Line**  
**By Andrew White**

We are pleased to say that we will be hosting an exhibition by Andrew White titled, 'Homelessness in Drawings and Sculpture' from **October 17th – 6th January 2023**. The exhibition will be displayed in the ground-floor corridor.

**Confirmations 2023**

The next programme for the Sacrament of Confirmation for teenagers (aged 14+) begins on the 29th January 2023. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at Farm Street Church on the 25th June 2023. For more information and to register, please contact Leninha at [farmstcatechist@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstcatechist@rcdow.org.uk).

**First Holy Communion 2023**

The next programme for First Holy Communion will begin on the 13th November. For more information and to receive an enrolment form, contact Leninha at [farmstcatechist@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstcatechist@rcdow.org.uk). This programme will end up First Holy Communion celebrated on the 2nd July 2023.

**Parish Prayer List**

We pray for those in the parish who are sick: Debra Minty Baker, Marie Carroll Copestake, Maggie Danby, Paul Johnson, Erin Lillis, Francis Walsh, Millon Nigussie, Mrs Katerina Porter, Sarah Esparza Regalado, Leopold, & Nick Walker.

*The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health.*

*Psalm 41:3*

We pray for those in the parish who have recently died. *Requiescat in pace*

**Aid to the Church in Need Red Wednesday**

Please join us for a trio of events taking place this **RedWednesday** on the 16th November at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral. We hope to see you for all or part of the evening programme. Do invite friends and loved ones to stand in solidarity with Ukraine. There will be a silent, visible and powerful witness to those suffering and facing religious persecution today. You are encouraged to wear red a symbol of Martyrdom.

**Rosary: 5:45pm**

**Holy Mass: 6:15pm**

Join us at the Cathedral for Divine Liturgy (Holy Mass) for persecuted Christians, celebrated in the Greek Catholic rite. Practicing Catholics may take Holy Communion.

**Talk: Persecuted and Forgotten? 7:30pm – 9:00pm**

John Pontifex, ACN Head of Press will present the Persecuted & Forgotten? report that launches in November. Hear how ACN supports persecuted Christians around the world and is urging governments and those in power to act responsibly.

Hear first-hand testimonies from our guest Bishop Jude Ayodeji Arogundade of Ondo, Nigeria. It was in his diocese where the terrible attack on Pentecost Sunday happened this year at St Francis Xavier Church.

Please email to express your interest to attend to [events@acnuk.org](mailto:events@acnuk.org)

**Catholic Listeners**

Catholic Listeners, the new confidential helpline launched this year during Holy Week. The service which is part of the Diocese of Westminster, has been set up for those who are returning to the faith as well as to support those who need someone to talk to. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. This service is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. Although not a counselling service, there is a professional team trained in signposting callers to other services and agencies. For further information please email [Catholiclisteners@gmail.com](mailto:Catholiclisteners@gmail.com) or call us on 0800 448 0704

**Catholic Listeners are here to listen.**

# NEWSLETTER

JESUIT CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FARM STREET



**Thirty-Third Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**  
**(Remembrance Sunday)**

**13th November 2022**

**PARISH CLERGY**

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

**REGULARLY ASSISTING CLERGY**

Fr David Birchall SJ; Fr Michael Bossy 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 – 12.55pm

**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**

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**RESPONSE**

The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.

**ACCLAMATION**

Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

**COMMUNION**

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.



## SEASON OF MISTS AND MELLOW FRUITFULNESS

It is the month of November; across the road in Hyde Park, the trees are just past that point of their richest colouring, the falling of the leaves gathers pace, and we seem beset by death. The month started with All Saints and All Souls, with their hint of death. And today we remember those who were slaughtered in the appalling wars of the 20<sup>th</sup> (and, for that matter, 21<sup>st</sup>) Centuries. It is also (have you noticed?) a month when, at least in our Northern Hemisphere, the death rate seems to rise. Indeed, I have already celebrated the funerals of two old friends, in the last week or so; and no doubt there will be more to come.

What are we to say to all this? Is Death ultimately victorious? It sometimes seems so; and of course, we must take seriously the finality of Death. The nights are getting longer and colder, and there are moments when it feels as though there is no escape from Death's bleak hand.

On the other hand, that is not quite the whole story, is it? Next month we shall have the winter solstice, and, then, imperceptibly at first, but surely, the light starts to win out over the darkness, and we watch, often with some relief, the days getting lighter and brighter.

"All well and good", you may say, "but then it won't be long before the summer solstice is upon us, and the days are once more getting darker; you can never beat the darkness". However, there is something else here, something more profound. And that is that Resurrection is right at the heart of the Christian faith; it is our deepest belief that "God raised Jesus from the dead", which was the earliest creed of our ancestors in faith, back in that first century. St Paul (look at the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of his first letter to the Corinthians) is certain that if there is no Resurrection then there is no such thing as Christianity.

Every single one of the wide range of "books" (27 of them) that make up our New Testament each in its own way affirms its belief in Resurrection. None of the gospels makes any sense at all if Jesus has not been raised from the dead; and we should notice that in their quite different ways they are each absolutely clear about the reality of Jesus' death. Indeed, in all four of them, the biggest single section is the number of pages devoted to the account of the last few days of Jesus' life. So we are obliged to take death very seriously indeed, including the death of Jesus. But death, Christianity asserts, is not the end of the story, because God is in the story, both the story of Jesus and our own individual stories. And that includes, of course, the stories of the dead whom we remember in this dying month of the year.

So it is good to notice the present darkening of the days, but also to recognise that with astonishing rapidity we shall see those first hints of Spring (if you know where to look) that assure us that death is not the end. What then of the menace to the environment that comes from our selfish exploitation of the resources that God has lavished upon us? We must not, at our

peril, blind ourselves to the urgency of the threat to our world, and we have the responsibility to do whatever we have it in us to do, whatever God has given us to contribute as our tiny gift to the world. There are things that we can still do, and it is our task to do them.

So this November is indeed a dark month, but it is not without those occasional streaks of light, and glimpses of the sun, that remind us that God is there, and that the light has not gone forever. The news is good...

**Fr Nicholas King SJ**

### 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).

### 9.30am Mass Hymns

<b>Entrance</b>	659	All my hope on God is founded
<b>Offertory</b>	600	All that I am
<b>Communion</b>	831	In Christ there is no east or west
<b>Recessional</b>	945	Now thank we all our God

### 11am Music List

<b>Mass</b>	Requiem mass <i>Duruflé</i>
<b>Motets</b>	Pie Jesu <i>Duruflé</i> Lux aeterna, In paradium <i>Duruflé</i>
<b>Organ</b>	Chorale Prelude "St Ann" <i>Parry</i>

### November: Month of the Holy Souls

November is the month traditionally dedicated to praying for the dead. During this month, we will be praying for the faithful departed regularly at Mass. If you would like somebody to be remembered, please write their name(s) on the forms for this purpose at the back of the church and put in the designated wooden box. These names will then be placed in the sanctuary during Mass to be prayed for.

### A Lamp For Our Lady

To give honour to Our Lady, a lamp will now burn before her statue in the sanctuary. A 7-day lamp will be lit every Saturday, the day traditionally devoted to the Blessed Virgin, and burn throughout the week. An offering of £10 is requested to light this lamp, the intention of which will be printed every week in the Newsletter or may be kept anonymous (e.g. 'An anonymous donor for a private intention'). Please email the Parish Secretary (FarmStreetOffice@rcdow.org.uk) with your requested week and intention as well as how you wish it to be published.

**The lamp this week is lit for Archie Boy, requested with love by Charlotte, Joel and Franki.**

### Liturgical Calendar

**Sun:** Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Mon:** St Joseph Pignatelli SJ  
**Tue:** Feria; St Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor  
**Wed:** St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop  
**Thu:** St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious; St Hilda, Abbess, St Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop  
**Fri:** Feria; The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul (*Friday abstinence*)  
**Sat:** Feria; Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday  
**Sun:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

### Daily Bible Readings

**Sun:** Malachi 3:19-20; II Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19  
**Mon:** Apocalypse 1:1-2:5; Luke 18:35-43  
**Tue:** Apocalypse 3:1-22; Luke 19:1-10  
**Wed:** Apocalypse 4:1-11; Luke 19:11-28  
**Thu:** Apocalypse 5:1-10; Luke 19:41-44  
**Fri:** Apocalypse 10:8-11; Luke 19:45-48  
**Sat:** Apocalypse 11:4-12; Luke 20:27-40  
**Sun:** II Samuel 5:1-3; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43

### THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the supporters of our Charity Ball on Saturday, 29 October, which was a huge success. Your support will mean so much to so many. A report on the money raised will be included in the Newsletter of 19/20 November.

### Ball Raffle Prizes

A full list of raffle prizes and winning numbers is available at the entrances of the church and on the parish website.

### CAFOD

Thank you to everyone who donated to the CAFOD collection on the weekend of the 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> October. The total raised was £1,850.

### The Beautiful Bridge between the Infinitely Big and the Infinitesimally Small

*Sunday 27 November, 4-5pm, St Mary's Church, 4 Holly Walk, Hampstead, London NW3 6QU*  
Prof. Maria Ubiali is a particle physicist with a passion for mathematics, based at Cambridge and working closely with CERN. Come and join us for what promises to be a fascinating insight into beauty and physics from a leading physicist.

If you are planning on attending in person please email the Parish Administrator at [hampstead@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:hampstead@rcdow.org.uk) to book your place. You are welcome to livestream the lecture by visiting <https://www.churchservices.tv/hampstead>

### Confirmations Next Week

We look forward to welcoming Bishop Nicholas Hudson to Farm Street Church next week to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 9.30am Mass. Please pray for all those preparing to be confirmed next Sunday.

### Online Advent Prayer Sessions

All are welcome to a series of four evenings of worship, prayer in the Ignatian tradition, and sharing to mark the Season of Advent. The series, led by Ignatian prayer guide David Hothersall, is a joint initiative of Farm Street and the Grosvenor Chapel, and will be held online on Tuesday evenings between 9pm and 10pm: November 22nd, 29th, Dec 6th and 13th. All welcome. To register and receive the Zoom link, e-mail the parish secretary at [farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk)

### ADVERTISEMENT

My name is John Thomas Emerson. I'm a complimentary alternative Doctor of medicine from the USA, for humans and animals (horses, dogs/cats). I've recently served as a volunteer in Kyiv Ukraine for 3 months. I also will be a guest at LJC for a 12-day retreat at Farm Street from November 21-December 2.

I'm in current need for a peaceful room/bed for a few weeks or more after the retreat.

I have good culinary experiences, understand a multitude of personal valet services for elderly or anyone and can especially care for dogs and cats etc. CV is available on request. Please e-mail on [drjohnthomasemersondc@gmail.com](mailto:drjohnthomasemersondc@gmail.com)



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.

Below is a sampling of some upcoming events. 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 Federica Fiore at [ffiore@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:ffiore@jesuit.org.uk).

### Saturday Online Retreat

Saturday, 26 November 2022, 1:30pm - 4:30pm  
Online - Zoom

The Saturday Retreat offers a time of reflection and prayer around a theme, through words of Scripture, poetry or literature, and visual images. There is time for guided prayer and silent prayer and the opportunity to share with others. The afternoon closes with an opportunity to explore any points that have arisen for you and concluding prayer. The Saturday Retreat is led by members of the wider spirituality team at the London Jesuit Centre.