

ST. DOMINIC'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
VIOLET LANE, CROYDON, CR0 4HN – 8686 1634

NEWSLETTER – 18TH MARCH 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

PSALTER WEEK 1

PARISH PRIEST: FR. PADDY CANNON

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Confessions: Saturday 9.45 am - 10.15 am & 5.15 pm - 5.45 pm

Any items for the newsletter please email: carsonelaine@hotmail.com Parish Website: www.stdominic.org.uk

17 th March SATURDAY	(Vigil) 6.00 pm	Pro Populo
18 th March SUNDAY	9.00 am	Pat Carson R.I.P. (2 nd Anniversary) (Carson Family)
(St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop)	11.00 am	Tina Commolly R.I.P. (Jim & Noreen McGourty)
	2.00 pm	FILIPINO COMMUNITY MASS
	5.00 pm	Welfare of Donal Ryan (Teresa Staunton & Helen Kennedy)
19 th March MONDAY	9.15 am	Peter Wright R.I.P. (Maureen & Jock Anderson)
(St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church)		
20 th March TUESDAY	9.15 am	Robert Krarup R.I.P. (Anniversary) (Elaine & Family)
21 st March WEDNESDAY	7.00 pm	Welfare of Sandra Maynard (David Hardcastle)
22 nd March THURSDAY	9.15 am	Hilda Curtis & the Curtis Family R.I.P. (Gertie McMahon)
23 rd March FRIDAY	7.00 pm	John Welchman R.I.P. (Michael Knight)
	7.30 pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
24 th March SATURDAY	9.15 am	Lisanne Egbuhuzor Intentions
	10.00 am	ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE
	(Vigil) 6.00 pm	Maria Olimpia Vaz R.I.P. (Saliago Association)
25 th March PALM SUNDAY	9.00 am	Robert William Beardall R.I.P. (Leonie Beardall)
(St. Cyril of Jerusalem)		Maria Carmen Manché R.I.P. (Birthday) (Maria Angela & André)
	11.00 am	Pro Populo
	5.00 pm	John O'Driscoll R.I.P. (Eileen O'Driscoll)

COLLECTION TOTAL FOR LAST SUNDAY: 942.94. Thank you.

SICK: Please pray for members of our parish family who are unwell or housebound, especially Debbie Middlecoat, Catherine Lloyd, Maria Ma Thamby, Conny Morrissey, Tamara Coelho, Caroline Bridge, Sofia Jones, Brenda Sweeney, Sally Haddad, Michael Knight, Stella Hamilton, Brian Manning, Olga Middlecoat, Lorna, Peggy Cannon, Baby Isaiah, Peggy Doust, Thessel (Tessa) Carter, David Hardcastle, David Thompson, Cynthia & Colville Lobendhan, Leo Hutchison, Graham Catt, Alex Fahey, Maureen Kotalawella, Mary Conlan.

ANNIVERSARY: Bernadette Duncan, Frank Fadden, Mary Jennings, Lilian Lobendahn, Alberta Davies, Mary Callaghan, Klaudia Yeltsin, John Devereux, Helen Monypenny, Timothy Spillane, Joseph Salvin, John Vincent, Robert Krarup, Fr. Edmund Daly, Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero of San Salvador, Kathleen Mullen, Kathleen Walker, Henry Kehoe, Jacqueline Valentine, Eddie Hoggan, Mervin MacNamara. May they all Rest in Peace.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN: Saturday 24th March: Preparation for Palm Sunday. Sunday 25th March: Palm Sunday @ 11.00 am. Please check the parish's website regularly for all up to date information about the course – www.stdominic.org.uk

PRE-BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE: If you would like to have your child baptized in this Parish parents are expected to attend Mass on a regular basis and must attend a Pre-Baptism Programme before the Baptism can take place. Please contact Helen and Stephen (who are our Parish Baptism coordinators) by email: helen.jefferys@pwc.com. Fr. Paddy.

MISSIO BOXES: These will be collected on the weekend of 14th/15th April. If you have a box which needs to be emptied, please bring it to Mass on that weekend. Boxes can be left with Father Paddy prior to 14th April if necessary. Please note that boxes received after 15th April will not be emptied and counted until the next collection in October. With thanks Pat & Ray Pearce.

GIFT AID SCHEME – THIS WEEKEND: If you are currently part of the gift aid scheme and use the weekly donation envelopes please come along to the Narthex today and pick up your box for the coming year. If you donate via standing order – you do not have to do anything. Please let me know if your individual details or circumstances have changed. We currently have over 200 parishioners signed up to the scheme. If you are a UK tax payer and would like to sign up or you have any queries you will be able to speak to me after each Mass. **How it works:** Gift Aid is an easy way to help your charity maximise the value of its donations. As a taxpayer, you'll already have paid tax on any money you donate to charity. When you donate, the charity (in this case St Dominic's Parish), will ask you whether you want to donate through Gift Aid - if you do, they'll be able to claim back the tax you originally paid at the basic income tax rate of 20%. I have some detailed information sheets with me if you would like more details on the scheme. Thank you to all our current gift aid parishioners, each year your contributions enable St Dominic's to claim back around £6,000 for the parish. Barbara Spreadborough 07887 995628 / bspreadborough@hotmail.com

ALTAR SERVERS: If you would like to Altar serve for the Maundy Thursday and/or the Good Friday Mass, you must attend a practice on Saturday 24th March at 10.00 am. The practice for the Easter Vigil Mass will be on Saturday 31st March (on the morning of the Vigil Mass) at 10.00 am.

THANK YOU: "Congratulations to all concerned for the very successful venture looking after the homeless in central London on Saturday, 24th February. Please pass on my thanks to all the volunteers for their wonderful generosity in their time and care for the homeless. What you have done is a good example of evangelisation and witness to the Lord's command that we should 'Love our neighbours as ourselves" and especially the poor and the needy. I thank you for all you have done so very generously, and may God bless you all for it. With my prayers and good wishes". +Peter.

ST. DOMINIC'S CRAFT GROUP: Meet every Thursday in the Narthex from 10.00 am – 12 Noon. All welcome.

JUSTICE, PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION GROUP: Meet every 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Parish Room @ 7.00 pm all welcome. **Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Spring Assembly** takes place on Saturday June 2nd at St Mary's West Croydon. Please consider attending as it considers the important topic of the Environment. More details at a later date.

FILIPINO COMMUNITY OF ST. DOMINIC'S: The Filipino Community of St Dominic's invites you to their monthly Mass at 2.00 pm on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Food and refreshments to follow in the Narthex.

CHRIS PHILP MP: Our local member of parliament Chris Philp, will be having his regular monthly surgery sessions at our parish. Date: March 23rd 2018. Time: 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm. Venue: St. Dominic's Catholic Church, Violet lane, Croydon. CR0 4NH.

FR. LUKE'S HCPT PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: The annual Reunion of the Group will be held at Holy Family Church, Sorrento Road, Sutton Green SM1 1QT, starting with Mass at 2:00 pm on Saturday 24th March 2018. Anyone who has been to Lourdes with us before, or who is interested in making a pilgrimage to Lourdes this year is invited to come. The Group will travel on 5th to 12th October 2018, staying in Hosanna House, which is fully equipped to meet the needs of the disabled. We invite elderly or disabled people or children, to join us in our pilgrimage to Lourdes. We also need able bodied helpers, both male and female, to give a week of their time to assist us with the Group, and there are many different positions to be filled. Please go to the HCPT website www.hcpt.org.uk for further info or contact the Group leaders: Peter Thompson (020 8241 4491), Michael Whale (020 8660 4071), or Father Luke (020 8642 3863).

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, CROYDON – ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018: The school reports a significant increase in the number of successful Year 7 applications from Catholic families this year. If parents are disappointed that they have not been allocated a Catholic school for their child, there are now just a few places available at St. Mary's for September. Please contact the school for further information regarding admission to the school. Please telephone: 8686 3837 or visit their website for further information.