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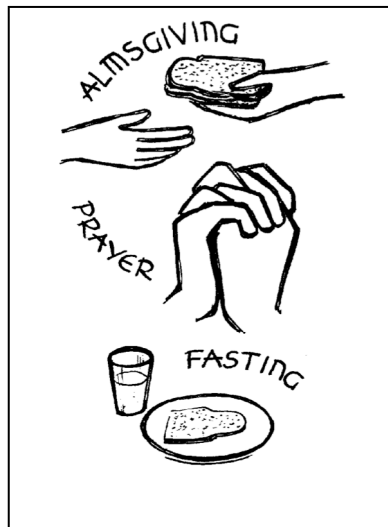
8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd March 2019

Sat 2 nd	6 p.m.	N McDermott R.I.P.	Reconciliation 5.15 p.m.
Sun 3 rd	9 a.m. 11 a.m. 6 p.m.	M Connaire R.I.P. Nikolina, Ignatius & Antoinette R.I.P. People of the Parish	Holy Hour 5 p.m.
Mon 4 th	Feria	T Gonsalves & Family Int	
Tues 5 th	Feria	P Bradley R.I.P.	Senior Parishioners 2 p.m.
Wed 6 th	Ash Wednesday	9.30 a.m. I Bergamini R.I.P. 7 p.m. People of the Parish	
Thurs 7 th	Lent Feria	J & K Burke Int F Rossetti R.I.P.	Exposition until 11 a.m. First Communion Children 6 p.m. Confirmation 7 p.m.
Fri 8 th	Lent Feria	B McNicholas R.I.P. B Nugent R.I.P.	Stations of the Cross 7 p.m.
Sat 9 th	Lent Feria	M Ankrah Int	Reconciliation: 10.30 am & 5.15 p.m.

Pope's Intention for March: **Evangelization Christian Communities**

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.



AND SO THE 40 DAYS OF LENT BEGINS This week: ASH WEDNESDAY: is a day of fasting (traditionally eating only one main meal and two smaller meals) and abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins our Lenten journey. The ashes are placed on our foreheads as a sign of our repentance and of our willingness to try and change and become better followers of Christ.

- **Mass times: 9.30 a.m. & 7.00 p.m.**

So what will you give up this Lent? Or even more, what will you do to bring yourself closer to God? More prayer? Another Mass during the week? (We have an evening Mass on Wednesday at 7 p.m.) To see a neighbour? To write to that person you haven't been in touch with for so long and tell them that you remember them? Give some of your fasting to the poor in our Lenten Alms Appeal? Prepare for confession in a deeper way? Reflect on your life and where it is going? Seeing how much space God has in your heart and trying to make it bigger? No matter what, there will be something for you to do in these 40 DAYS leading to Easter.

- **Don't forget Stations of the Cross** every Friday during Lent at 7 p.m.

- **Fr Albert** will be available from **7 p.m. – 8 p.m.** to discuss your needs. This is for non-urgent matters. For the issuing of passports, please speak to Fr Albert. For other matters, please call for an appointment. Your cooperation is appreciated.
- Office hours Monday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- **HOSPITAL VISITS** – on admission to hospital, would next of kin please check with the hospital staff that the patient is listed specifically as Roman Catholic. Visits from the RC Chaplain can then be requested from Chaplaincy Dept, Fr Agustin Paunon, 02088692112 To page 07-6591-36452 Bleep 657 agustinpaunon@nhs.net Thank you.

here to start with love of God, I thought I would conquer the whole world. It would be quite enough to convert the world. I tried for a long time to do that, but did not succeed. I was still too ambitious, so I concentrated in my own household. I could not convert them either. I said to myself: I must work on myself. What's wrong with the world, they are using somebody else.

- Parish Finances: Thank you for your contribution.
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That way, they will know they are making a difference in at least one life.

We can't take anyone farther than we've gone ourselves.

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OLD AND FOREIGN COINS:

- Please, please **do not put old or foreign coins** in the candle boxes or the offertory collection. These coins jam the counting machine.

- **SVP** is seeking a light pushchair for toddler. If you can help please let us know.

Lenten Reflection Booklet: Cardinal Vincent Nichols writes 'Welcome to this Lenten Journey with Me journey of prayer in which we explore the essence of our vocation as baptised believers. We are to be holy as God is holy; we are to be saints' – "Living A Holy Life" booklet available in the porch. Cost £1.00

"Rejoice and be Glad" - Lenten Faith Sharing Group begins this Thursday, 7th March at 2 p.m. in the Hall. All are welcome.

Quiz Night on Friday, 29
March. Doors will open at **8 p.m.**
Proceeds in aid of special needs school in Ghana.

- **SEIDs property Service A project by Caritas Westminster:** We exist to train & employ those who find themselves at risk of poverty, homelessness and disadvantage. We provide high quality painting & decorating & general maintenance services at affordable prices across the Diocese of Westminster. Please contact Pawel Szkolnik on 07737 147717 or at pawelszkolnik@rcdow.org.uk

Sponsored Walk on Saturday 9th March at 11 a.m. starting at English Martyrs Church to the Cool Oak Lane end of Welsh Harp and return to the church. If you would you like to take part or sponsor someone please pick up a slip from the porch. Parents are welcome to bring their children along. All monies raised will go towards the St Michaels' Parish Nursery building project in Zimbabwe. Your help and support is very much appreciated. More details on the noticeboard or speak to Sibio Sesay or Mary Lee.