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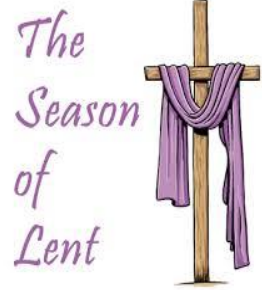
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First Sunday of Lent

Reflection: What does the session of Lent mean to you - fasting abstinence penance? Our attitudes to Lent can be very gloomy and negative. However, through our observance of Lent, we can begin to understand the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus and how it can teach us to reflect our own lives. We can use the 6 weeks of Lent almost like an annual retreat, a time for deepening the understanding of our Christian faith, a time for reflection and renewal, a time to make a fresh start. Our daily lives can become a competitive rat race without even knowing it. We can be surrounded by selfishness, greed, anger, hostility, jealousy and resentment, above all the desire to have rather than to share. Let us make Lent 2019 a time to building not palaces or empires but a society that is more loving and just, based on the message of Jesus, a message of truth and integrity, of love and compassion, of freedom and peace.

Please Pray for the Sick: P J Tunney, Veronica Ugo, Lily Rahim, Patrick O'Reilly, Trisha Weldon, John Curry, Pat Hillman, Clément, Trish, Teresa and Masie. **Please also pray those who have died recently and all the Souls of the faithful departed.**

Sat	09/03	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday	Patrick Ann and Alice
Sun	10/03	11 am	First Sunday of Lent	Sis. Joan (RIP)
Tue	12/03	6 pm	Lent Feria	Anonymous (Thanksgiving)
Wed	13/03	6 pm	Lent Feria	Anonymous (Special Intention)
Thurs	14/03	6 pm	Lent Feria	Christine McConnell
Fri	15/03	9:15 am 6 pm	St Catherine's Primary School Mass Lent Feria	Bridget O'Hallora Lorraine Primean
Sat	16/03	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday	Kathleen Coyne
Sun	17/03	11 am	Second Sunday of Lent	Iris Commons (RIP)

Second Collections

Next Sunday there is a collection for CAFOD lent fast

Fr. Prabhakar Pamisetty is Leaving

Some of you may or may not be aware that Fr. Prabhakar is leaving us on the 19th of March 2019. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for the service and dedication he has given to the parish and wish him well in his continuing journey. *Fr. Mario*

A100-mile sponsored cycle on 12 May

Father Hudson's Care has places available. Anyone interested in riding in aid of our diocesan social care agency should call Father Hudson's on 01675-434059 or e-mail fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk before 12 March 2019.

Confessions and Rosary for the Month of March

Rosary in the Lady Chapel on Sundays at 10:30 am.

Confessions on Saturdays at 5 pm.

Baptism preparation course

The next course will be held on Friday 15th of March 2019; at 7 pm in the Lady Chapel. Before attending the course please complete and return a baptism preparation form available on the notice board in the church.

Our Parish is growing which is wonderful!

May we respectfully remind all attending Mass that the time during the readings and the Consecration are times of silence. Parents of young children are welcome to use the Lady Chapel during Mass. After Sunday Mass refreshments are available in the church porch, please note there is no eating and drinking in the main part of the church.

Retreat afternoon for readers and Eucharistic Ministers.

Please See Poster on the notice board for more detail.

The Season Of Lent

- Tuesday to Friday Mass at 6 pm

- Each Friday during the Season of Lent we will be having Mass at 6 pm followed by Stations of the Cross and ending with soup. Money donations for the soup will be sent to Cafod. Please let Fr. Mario know if you can help with this.

- On the 24th of March we have a guest speaker Rev.Fr. Michel Dolman for Lent Retreat, Please bring and share meal.

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Please would all Red Box holders in future send a cheque for their gift perhaps once or twice a year made out to Missio at Missio, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU. Please ask to become a direct member and mention if you have previously gift aided your donation. Any queries contact 07740 507959

Church Repairs and Conference Centre

We need to raise approximately £50,000 over 5 years to cover the cost of essential Church repairs and a new Conference Centre with Kitchen.

Need	Cost
Essential Church repairs	£32,500
Conference Centre	£14,000
Total	£46,500 + VAT

Thank you all for all your contributions.

Money raised so far £5130.35 in 6 months. We are on target!!