

EASTER OFFERINGS: your Easter Offerings are your gift to ‘your priest’ and I thank you in anticipation of your usual kind generosity.

Envelopes are available on the newsletter tables for your offerings, but members of the Parish Gift Aid Scheme are asked to use their Gift Aid envelopes. Thank you.

Parish Gift Aid	Michael D. Jones	T: 020 8780 2328
Last week’s Offertory Collection amounted to: £626.17 . Many thanks. (This does not include £1700 per month from standing orders). Last week’s the Retiring Collection for HCPT amounted to £310.72 .		

Masses & Services for this weekend:			30/31 March 2019 <i>Laetare Sunday</i>
(Sat) 30 Mar	Vigil Mass	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sun 31	Family (Sung) Mass Polish Mass	8.30am 10.30am 12.45pm	Catherine & Alan Sutton on their 40 th Wedding Anniversary For the Missions
Day		Time	Intention
Mon 1 Apr	Feria	9.30am	Shirin Denney (Anniversary)
Tues 2	Feria	9.30am	Deceased members of Cappadona/Carmina Families
Wed 3	Feria	9.30am	Hector Mitsun (Anniversary)
Thurs 4	Feria	9.30am	Vocations to the Priesthood
Fri 5	Feria	9.30am	Moritz Fernando
Sat 6	Feria	9.30am	Brenda Gorman
Next Weekend:		6/7 Apr	Sunday Masses – Fifth Sunday of Lent (C)
(Sat) 6 Apr	Vigil Mass	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sun 7		8.30am	Jack Muldner-Nieckowski
Family (Sung) Mass		10.30am	Ephne Shaw
Confession on Saturdays: 10am-10.30am and 5.30pm-5.45pm or just ask			

CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING, Wimbledon Park

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e.g. for Hall Bookings etc.

Safeguarding: Call 07927 123 926

Facebook: (closed group) ‘Parishioners & Friends of Christ the King Church Wimbledon Park’.



31st March 2019

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year C)

During the sixteenth century, people returned to their **mother church**, the main church or cathedral of the area, for a service to be held on **Laetare Sunday**. (Rejoicing Sunday of Entrance Antiphon). This was either a large local church, or usually the nearest **cathedral**. Anyone who did this was commonly said to have gone “a-mothering”. In later times, Mothering Sunday became a day when domestic servants were given a day off to visit their mother church, usually with their own mothers and other family members. It was often the only time that whole families could gather together, since on other days they were prevented by conflicting working hours, and servants were not given free days on other occasions.

Mother’s Day and later Father’s Day, Siblings Day and Grandparents Day etc began in the United States, at the initiative of Ann Reeves Jarvis in the early 20th century. This is not (directly) related to the many traditional celebrations of mothers and motherhood that have existed throughout the world over thousands of years, such as by the Greeks, Romans and Christians.

The founder later came to regret the commercialism surrounding this day.

EASTER: Our Easter cards listing Holy Week and Easter Masses/Services will be available on the Newsletter bench next week. Please take a card and keep for your easy reference. Please also take some extra cards and put them through the letter boxes of neighbours.

Envelopes are available also, on the newsletter tables, for your **Easter Offerings**.

Fr Terry Walsh SJ will be returning from Rome to be with us over Easter. He will be the chief celebrant on Maundy Thursday, (18 April), for the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8pm.

GLUTEN FREE hosts are available at each Mass in a pyx beside Fr Anthony.

AFTER 10.30 MASS COFFEE MORNING: every Sunday in the hall – all welcome! *More Volunteers are needed to sign up to serve the drinks – please see sign-up sheet in the hall kitchen.*

THANK YOU FROM HCPT:



HCPT *The Pilgrimage Trust*

Thank you for the contributions you made at 10.30am mass last Sunday to this good charity. A total of £310.72 was raised. There is also a thank you posted on the notice board. I always remember our parish in prayer each day I am with HCPT in Lourdes.

CHRIST THE KING PARISH MISSION

– ‘A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE’ –

Saturday 11 May to Sunday 19 May 2019:



MISSION PRAYER No 3:

Dear Lord

Please Bless our Mission to be closer to You.

In all that we think and in all that we do.

May our love grow for you and our sisters and brothers.

And may it change our lives and many others. Amen.

The Jesuit Mission Team will be meeting with us this **Wednesday 3 April at 7.30pm in the Presbytery**, (no 9 Crescent Gardens). The aim is to finalize the programme for our Mission Week.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019: The 17th preparation session, for those enrolled, ‘Easter – 2’, takes place this Sunday 31 March. The 18th session, ‘Jesus’ Resurrection and His Forgiveness of Sins’, will take place AFTER EASTER on Sunday 28 April.

A date for your diaries please – **the last (4th) Parents’ Meeting** will take place on **Monday 20 May at 8pm in the Hall.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

PARISH MISSION – Sat 11 May to Sun 19 May. See notice opposite.

Confirmation Ceremony – Sat 15 June during 6pm Mass.

Music Quiz/Live Music Evening – Sat 22 June – 7pm in the hall.

First Holy Communion Ceremony – Sun 30 June during 10.30am Mass.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of **Pamela Mulligan**, who died recently. She was an active, long-standing parishioner here at CTK. The Reception of her body will take place next Sunday 7 April at 7pm followed by her Requiem Mass on Monday 8 April at 12 noon with her burial at Putney Vale Cemetery at 1.30pm. We offer very sincere sympathy and assurance of prayers to her son Paul and to all of her family and friends. *May she rest in peace.*

CONFIRMATION: The Third Preparation Session for all registered Candidates will take place this Thursday 4 April at 8-9pm in the Hall.

Coffee Morning: This month's Coffee Morning has been re-arranged to take place this **Thursday 4 April at 10.00am** in the Hall – following the 9:30am Mass, during which a collection will be taken up to help our Archbishop meet the cost of training students for the priesthood. All welcome.



CATHOLIC CONFERENCE at St George's Cathedral – 4 May 2019

The theme is “Why be a Catholic?” You are invited to the Family and Life International conference to listen to four outstanding talks and presentations concerning ‘What it means to be a Catholic’. For further info and to register visit www.familyandlife.co.uk or call 020 8857 9950.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES in CATHOLIC SCHOOLS & ORGANISATIONS:

Please see notice board in church entrance for info on all current positions.

NEW PARISHIONERS Welcome. Please take a **Parish Directory Leaflet** (light blue). Ask a Welcomer. Also please complete a **Parish Registration Form**, available from the church entrance and return it to the Presbytery letter box at 9 Crescent Gardens, just around the corner.

BAPTISMS: Please see Fr Anthony. Please see poster in lobby. Please **DO NOT** choose your godparents without consulting the priest.

MARRIAGES: Please give at least six months' notice.

WIMBLEDON GUILD – ‘Warm & Well in Merton Campaign’ – this local charity is inviting all Merton residents to prepare for next winter and providing free support on how best to stay warm and well. For more info on the support available please call 020 8946 0735. Also a programme of all WG ‘What's On’ activities, talks & trips is on our main noticeboard at church entrance.