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The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer and St. Thomas More Cheyne Row, Chelsea



Newsletter 31st January 2021

Sunday 31st January: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Tuesday 2nd: THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD Wednesday 3rd: St Laurence, St Dunstan, St Theodore Friday 5th: St Agatha Saturday 6th: St Paul Miki and companions

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday 8.00am Saturday 10.00am

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6.30pm Sunday 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm

PLACES AT MASS

Given the need to comply with current Covid-19 restrictions, the number of people who can attend Mass here is significantly reduced. It is most important that parishioners contact the Parish Administrator to notify him which Mass they would like to attend. It may not be possible to admit to the church everyone who would like to attend Mass.

Confession – To make an appointment, please contact the Parish Priest **Morning Prayer** – Monday to Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.45am **Evening Prayer** – Saturday and Sunday 6.00pm **Newly arrived in the parish** – Please complete the Parish Registration Form, available at our website: holyredeemerchelsea.com. **Mobile Phones** – Please turn off all phones before entering the church. **Donations to the Parish** can be made via: HSBC, Sort code: 40-05-20, Account no:91094386 Account name: Holy Redeemer Church, Chelsea.

The Rectory – 7 Cheyne Row, London SW3 5HS Parish Priest – Canon Paschal Ryan Tel: 020 7352 0777 Email: paschalryan@rcdow.org.uk Parish Administrator – Andrew Bebko Monday – Friday 9.30am – 1.30pm Tel: 020 7352 0777 Fax: 020 7352 4223 Email: chelsea2@rcdow.org.uk

KEEP SAFE AND PLEASE REMEMBER

HANDS FACE SPACE

HANDS – Use the sanitiser provided FACE – Wear a mask SPACE – Keep a least 1 metre, better 2 metres, distance

VACCINE

Pope Francis said about the Covid-19 vaccination that it is an ethical action, and he encourages it because otherwise you are gambling with your health, you are gambling with your life, but also you are also gambling with the lives of others. In this light there seems little doubt that the most appropriate course of action for a Christian is to take up the offer of vaccination when the invitation comes. It is heartening to hear from a number of parishioners who have received the vaccine with no side effects. All of us can pray for an end to all the suffering.

RACIAL JUSTICE

Pope Francis said: "My friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life". This weekend we are asked to pray and think about Racial Justice. The Church in this country has produced some resources to help us: cbcew.org,uk/home/racial-justice-Sunday-2021/ Particularly striking is the short film prepared by young members of the Zimbabwean Catholic Chaplaincy. As always, it can be strikingly effective, and help us understand an issue, when it is presented by people whose experience is so different from our own. One view of racial injustice quoted is that it is a "human rights pandemic".

VOLUNTEERING

Caritas Volunteer Fair "Step Forward in Love". This online event is on Wednesday 10 February from 11.00am to 1.00pm. Whether you want to try volunteering for the first time or are looking for a new role, see what volunteering opportunities there are at the moment. Please register at eventbrite.co.uk/e/caritas-volunteer-fair-tickets-135713539851

FIGHTING MODERN SLAVERY

A Tablet webinar, hosted by Julie Etchingham, to discuss an agenda for action across all sectors, on Thursday 25 February from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. To book, visit thetablet.co.uk/events

PARISH NEWSLETTER

This Newsletter is available online at holyredeemerchelsea.com If you would like to receive this newsletter each week, please send your email address to the Parish Administrator at chelsea2@rcdow.org.uk

FOOD FOR THE HOMELESS

If you wish to donate food, please bring non-perishable items in packets or tins to the church during the time the church is open for Mass, or to the Rectory. It will be distributed by Glass Door, a local charity helping those who are homeless. To find out about their work: glassdoor.org.uk

LEGACIES

From time to time, Holy Redeemer parish is fortunate to receive donations, similarly is sometimes the beneficiary of a donation made in a Will. Please consider remembering this parish in your Will and so support our work, even after your death. To learn more, please contact legacies@rcdow.org.uk You can find out how you can ensure that this beautiful church benefits from your generosity.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

The Life in the Spirit Seminar is an annual back to basics exploration of the Good News that leads to a real and deep knowledge and experience of God's love for us. It renews and transforms lives through the power of the Holy Spirit. Starting 4 February, this Seminar is made up of 9 sessions spread over 6 weeks. Most of the sessions are normally on Thursdays from 7.00pm to 9.00pm at St Charles Borromeo Church, Ogle Street, with 3 sessions covered during a weekend retreat. This year, due to the Covid-19 restrictions, the Thursday sessions and the weekend retreat will take place virtually on Zoom. To register see soulfoodgroup.org/liss

DAILY WALK

Could you walk 10000 Steps either on one day or everyday this Lent? The walk could be a sign of your solidarity with all those who do not have access to a safe water source and who have to walk for water each day.

Find out more or sign up online at **cafod.org.uk/walk** and go the distance this Lent and help to end water poverty. On YouTube there is a short film "Walk for Water: Abdella's journey" In this, CAFOD show us what is involved in some people's lack of water.