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**The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer  
and Saint Thomas More  
Cheyne Row, Chelsea**



*St. Peter enthroned.*

**18 FEBRUARY:  
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (PMB p148)**

Thursday: The Chair of St Peter the Apostle

**MASS**

Monday to Friday 8.00am

Saturday: 10.00am, Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm, 6.30pm

**Confessions:** Saturday 5.30pm to 6.00pm

**Morning Prayer:** Monday to Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.45am Sunday 9.30am

**Donations to the Parish** can be made via HSBC:

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**Newsletter 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

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## **CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY**

Lent is a season during which the Church commends us to pray, fast and give alms. In all these a generosity of heart can lead us to align ourselves more fully with Jesus during the forty days he spent in the desert. This coming Friday is CAFOD Family Fast Day. CAFOD (Catholic Fund for Overseas Development) uses the money raised through the Fast Day collection to fund projects with partner organisations in countries around the globe. In our families we can use this day as an opportunity to introduce both the Gospel background and the contemporary challenges, as well as the solutions offered by CAFOD and other aid charities.

## **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

There will be a communal Stations of the Cross after Mass each Friday morning during Lent. Holy Redeemer Church is blessed with a wonderful and beautiful set of Stations of the Cross, and while you may not be able to access the church, you can always see them on the parish website: [holyredeemerchelsea.com](http://holyredeemerchelsea.com).

There is a picture of each station, and alongside a reflection on the composition of the picture. The Irish sculptor, Ken Thompson, made each one a meditation, rather like an icon.

## **MOTHERS AND TODDLERS GROUP**

Mothers and Toddlers Group - an informal, friendly gathering aimed at mothers to get together over tea and make friends, while sharing and growing together in faith. The next gathering will be on the 21 February at 9.30am in the Monckton room. If you are interested in joining, please email [j14kerton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:j14kerton@yahoo.co.uk).

## **HOMES FOR UKRAINE**

Though no longer in the headlines, Caritas and St John of God Hospitaller Services are still looking for hosts to welcome Ukrainians as their guests. The aim of this project is also to help the Ukrainian guests to move on to private rented accommodation. Whether or not you have room for such guests, please remember this project in your prayers. For further details, please see the website [sjog-homesforukraine.uk](http://sjog-homesforukraine.uk) or on YouTube [@sjoghomesforukraine](https://www.youtube.com/@sjoghomesforukraine).

## **FOOD DONATIONS**

People in this neighbourhood need our support. Tins and unopened packets of food can be left in the box at the back of the church, to be distributed to through the SVP or the Food Bank at St Luke's Church. Check your donation is not past its Best Before Date.

## **WHAT SHOULD I DO?**

We recently received the following advice from Glass Door ([glassdoor.org.uk](http://glassdoor.org.uk)), a local charity helping homeless people. "We are often asked 'what can I helpfully do if I see someone sleeping rough?' Aside from saying hello and having a chat, offering to buy a warm drink or giving spare change, one thing you could do is make a Streetlink referral", see [thestreetlink.org.uk](http://thestreetlink.org.uk).

## **VOLUNTEERING FAIR**

Caritas Volunteer Service will hold a volunteering Fair on Saturday 9 March, 3.00pm–5.00pm, at Westminster Cathedral Hall, next to the Cathedral in Ambrosden Avenue. If you are considering volunteering and want to explore possible roles within the diocese and/or with Catholic charities and those who work alongside us, do come along. More details here: <https://caritaswestminster.org.uk/event/volunteering-fair-2/>.

## **ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOR MARRIAGE MASS**

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25 May at 2:30pm.

The Cardinal invites to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2024. If you are celebrating such an anniversary, please give the Parish Office the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

## **SYNOD OCTOBER 2024**

Cardinal Nichols has asked that we "maintain a focus on how we are tackling the renewal of our sense of mission, in the context of building up communion and widening participation. These are themes that we ponder continually, explicitly or implicitly, in parishes, in schools and in the various initiatives that we try to fashion and take forward." With this in mind there will be meetings in the Monckton Room at 6.30pm on Tuesday 27 February and Tuesday 12 March to which all are invited.