The Parish of The Holy Trinity and Our Lady Fleet & Church Crookham



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Mass Times & Venues 18th February 2024 — 25th February 2024 Year B (II) Psalter Week 1

Sat 17th Feb: 1st Sunday of Lent 6.00pm (HT): Joan Convery's Intention

Sun 18th Feb: 1st Sunday of Lent 9.00am (HT): People of the Parish 10.45am (HT): Mass celebrated in Polish 11.00am (OL): Mihalachi Neculai RIP

Mon 19th Feb: No Mass-Day Off Tue 20th Feb: Tuesday of Lent

Mary & William Ramsay RIP 9.30am (HT):

Wed 21st Feb: Wednesday of Lent 9.30am (OL): John Blanchette RIP Thurs 22nd Feb: Chair of St Peter (Feast)

9.30am(HT): Anna & Phil Day's Health & Intns

7.00pm (HT): Mass celebrated in Polish

Fri 23rd Feb: Friday of Lent

9.30am (OL): Jenny McGarry's Intentions

Sat 24th Feb: Saturday of Lent 9.30am (OL): Paddy Manning RIP

6.00pm (HT): Ros Mitchell's Birthday Intentions

2nd Sunday of Lent Sun 25th Feb:

9.00am (HT): Shelley Patrick Rost RIP 3rd Anniv

Mass celebrated in Polish 10.45am (HT): 11.00am (OL): People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 10:15am — 11:15am (OL), Saturday 5pm — 5:45pm (HT) and by appointment

> **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Daily Before weekday Masses Thursday Exposition — TBC

Baptisms, Funerals & Weddings — By appointment

Sacrament of the Sick & Anointing — Please speak with the parish priest or contact the parish office and leave a message if there is no reply.

LENT MUST BE USED FOR REMOVING ALL OUR **DEFILEMENTS — POPE SAINT LEO THE GREAT**

Pray + Fast + Give Restoring Right Relationships

Dearly-beloved, as we enter these mystic days of Lent which are dedicated to the benefits of fasting, prayer and almsgiving, let us take care to obey the Apostle's precepts, cleansing ourselves from every defilement of flesh and spirit, that by controlling the struggles that go on between our two natures, the spirit which, if it is under the guidance of God, should be the governor of the body, may uphold the dignity of its rule: so that we may give no offense to any, nor be subject to the chidings of reprovers. For our fast does not consist chiefly of mere abstinence from food, nor are dainties withdrawn from our bodily appetites with profit, unless the mind is recalled from wrong-doing and the tongue restrained from slandering.

This is a time of gentleness and long-suffering, of peace and tranquillity: when all the pollutions of vice are to be eradicated and continuance of virtue is to be attained by us. Now, let godly minds boldly accustom themselves to forgive faults, to pass over insults, and to forget wrongs. Now, let the faithful spirit train themselves with the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left so that the conscience may be undisturbed in unwavering uprightness, not puffed up by praise and not wearied out by revilings. The self-restraint of the religious should not be gloomy, but sincere; no murmurs of complaint should be heard from those who are never without the consolation of holy joys. The decrease of worldly means should not be feared in the practice of works of mercy. For the measure of our charitableness is fixed by the sincerity of our feelings, and he/she that shows mercy to others will never want for mercy himself/herself. St Leo



WE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Fiona Pearson, Fatima Alves, Robin Tinsley, Anne Wilcox, Geoff Neal, Stuart Neal, David Hopkin, Kerry Scares, Anthony D'Costa, Mary Gibbons, Val Nicholas, Tony Mallins, Anna & Phil Day, Graeme Healey, Ray Swinburne, Maeve King, and Lesley O'Toole.

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH PANCAKE, CREAM TEA & PROSECCO EVENING



Our Parish Shrove Tuesday Pancake, Cream Tea & Prosecco Evening was a huge success. The hall was packed with happy parishioners who spent the evening mingling with each other and having fun. Thanks to our Parish Social and Fun Team for making it possible, and for all the time and energy they spent in organising it. May God bless them and all our parishioners.

WEEK OF ACCOMPANIED PRAYER 17-22ND MARCH



Register online via the Parish Website, please. Go to our parish website and click on the Button - Week of Accompanied Prayer. It will open up to a form you need to fill and submit. 'Come and See' Introductory meeting comes up on Wednesday 21 Feb at 6pm at Our Lady's hall. All are very welcome; if you are still thinking about it, come along, ask questions and get a real feel as to what the WAP will be like. Flyers are at back of our churches.

CAFOD LENT APPEAL 2024



no one beyond reach



Our Lenten Family Fast Day 2024 comes up on Friday 23rd of February. Throughout our Sunday Masses this weekend, Nadine West, our Parish CAFOD Coordinator, would be delivering the CAFOD Lent Appeal 2024 which focuses on the story of James and his community in New Kru Town of Monrovia, Liberia. James relies on our generosity to get the right tools to catch enough fish to feed his wife Cynthia and their son Messi. Watch James' story at: https://cafod.org.uk/give/appeals/lent-appeal. Let us take an envelope home, eat simply on 23rd February, enclose what we saved up in our CAFOD envelope, and bring it back on Sunday 25th February. Thanks so much for supporting James.

CONFIRMATION SESSIONS SCHEDULE 2024

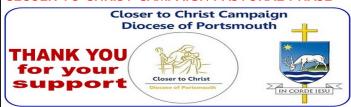


The First Confirmation Session for all our candidates who have registered will be on Sunday 3rd March 2024, from 9:30am to 10:50am at Our Lady's Hall, followed by 11am Mass. During this week, our Parish Administrator, will send out an email to all the parents of the candidates with the Complete Timetable, Parental Consent Form to be filled and signed by the parents, and a Code of Conduct Form to be signed by the candidates themselves. Once completed, do hand them over to the Parish Administrator at the parish office or to Fr Johnpromise at Mass.

DROP IN CAFÉ ON WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY:

The Drop in Cafe will be open on Wednesday 21st February in Our Lady's Hall for Soup and rolls or cheese scone, from 1pm—2pm, and homemade cake, tea and coffee from 1pm—3pm. You will be served by our wonderful waitresses in a warm and happy environment. Bring your friends or come and make new friends. Donations will be gratefully received towards the costs.

CLOSER TO CHRIST CAMPAIGN PASTORAL PHASE



I have been pleasantly surprised by the profound generosity of our parishioners who have participated in this campaign. So far, Fr Johnpromise and 27 families in the parish have contributed to the campaign and have raised almost £100,000. This is a great achievement and I am grateful to all of you. Because we have met our target, we would be getting over £32,000 of that money back to the parish account. This is great!!! We have now moved into the Pastoral Phase of the campaign wherein every member of our parish who has not yet participated will receive a PACK by post. I beg you to read the pack and consider contributing to the campaign as much as you can. Anything we realise from now on would be shared equally between the diocese and our parish. Let us work together to guarantee the training of our seminarians, caring for our priests and reviving of our parishes.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (VIA CRUCIS) IN LENT

During the Holy Season of Lent, we focus on the sufferings of Christ by journeying with Him by praying the Stations of the Cross. Our Stations of the Cross would be:

- On Tuesday after Morning Mass at Holy Trinity
- On Wednesday at 7pm at Our Lady's
- On Friday after Morning Mass at Our Lady's

OUR 2023 CHRISTMAS CRIB COLLECTION: The total sum of £632.71, was realised from our 2023 Christmas Crib Collection. Thank you all for supporting our friends in the Holy Land. **God bless you all!!!**