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kindness and generosity.*

THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:

SANCTUARY LAMPS

Margaret Harries RIP

LADY CHAPEL

Family Unity

SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Intentions of Jess, Louis, Cliff,
Astrid, Mummy & Daddy

*To have the lamps burning for your intentions,
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CORPUS CHRISTI

THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MARCH – MONTH DEDICATED TO
ST JOSEPH

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 20TH MARCH 2022 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY 20TH

✠ 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

9.30 am Mass
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin
5.00 pm Holy Hour

*Ps. Week 3
Harold Leigh RIP – Anniversary
Pro Populo*

MONDAY 21ST

LENT FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour
6.30 pm Mass – 1962 Missal

Eric Pollock RIP – Anniversary

TUESDAY 22ND

LENT FERIA

No public Mass today. Church open for prayer. *Jessie Stewart RIP – Anniversary*

WEDNESDAY 23RD

LENT FERIA (ST TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO, BISHOP)

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour
7.00 pm Prayer Group

Jessie Stewart RIP

THURSDAY 24TH

LENT FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

James Cabill RIP

FRIDAY 25TH

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour
6.00 pm Stations of the Cross

(No Friday Abstinence)

Bishop Robert Byrne – Intentions

SATURDAY 26TH

LENT FERIA

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Christiane Brown RIP

SUNDAY 27TH

✠ 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT – LETARE SUNDAY

9.30 am Mass
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin
5.00 pm Holy Hour

*Ps. Week 4
Pro Populo
Pablo Alvarado Jr. RIP – Anniversary*

Confessions: Confessions are heard for half an hour before all Masses, or by making an appointment with the Rector.

Exposition & Benediction: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each weekday, except Tuesdays from 12noon – 1pm, and every day, except Tuesdays, from 5pm – 6pm.

INSCRUTABLE DESIGN OF HIS LOVE

The Liturgy of this Third Sunday of Lent presents to us the topic of conversion. In the First Reading from the Book of Exodus, Moses, while tending his flock, sees a burning bush that is not consumed by the flames. He goes closer to look at this miracle when a voice calls him by name and, reminding him of his unworthiness, orders him to take off his sandals because that place is holy. The voice says to him, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob". And he adds, "I am who am". God likewise shows himself in various ways in each of our lives. To be able to recognize his presence, however, we must approach him with an awareness of our wretchedness and with deep respect. Otherwise we would make ourselves incapable of encountering him and entering into communion with him. As the Apostle Paul writes, this event is also recounted as a warning to us: it reminds us that God does not reveal himself to those in whom are entrenched self-sufficiency and frivolity but rather to those who are poor and humble before him.

In today's Gospel passage, Jesus is questioned on certain distressing events: the killing of several Galileans in the temple, on the orders of Pontius Pilate, and the collapse of a tower on some passers-by. In the face of the easy conclusion of considering evil as an effect of divine punishment, Jesus restores the true image of God who is good and cannot desire evil. And guarding us against believing that misfortunes are the immediate effect of the personal sins of those whom they afflict, says: "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered thus? I tell you, No; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish".

Jesus asks us interpret these events differently, putting them in the perspective of conversion: misfortunes, sorrowful events must not awaken curiosity in us or the quest for presumed sins; instead they must be opportunities for reflection, in order to overcome the illusion of being able to live without God and to reinforce, with the Lord's help, the commitment to change our way of life. With regard to sin, God shows himself to be full of mercy and never fails to remind sinners to avoid evil, to grow in love for him and to offer practical help to our neighbour in need, to live the joy of grace and not to go towards eternal death. However, the possibility of conversion demands that we learn to read the events of life in the perspective of faith, animated, that is, by holy fear of God. In the presence of suffering and bereavement, the true wisdom is to let ourselves be called into question by the precarious state of existence and to see human history with the eyes of God who, desiring always and only the good of his children, through an inscrutable design of his love sometimes permits us to be tried by suffering in order to lead us to a greater good. Dear friends, let us pray Mary Most Holy, who accompanies us on our Lenten journey, that she may help every Christian to return to the Lord with his whole heart. May she sustain our firm decision to renounce evil and to accept the will of God in our lives with faith.

CHURCH CLEANING FOR EASTER

We will be cleaning the church on **Saturday 2nd April from 9am** in preparation for the Sacred Triduum and Easter. We would be most grateful for any volunteers who can come and lend a hand with sweeping, mopping and dusting. We had a fantastic turnout just before Christmas and I'd be very grateful for as many hands as possible again, as it really makes the whole morning go much more quickly. Thank you!

EASTER MASS TIMES

Holy Week is fast approaching and our Mass times for all these services is on our website.

Maundy Thursday: 7pm with watching until Midnight

Good Friday: 3pm, with Stations of the Cross at 6pm

Holy Saturday: 8pm

Easter Sunday: 9:30am (said, English) and 11:30am (sung, Latin)

Easter Monday: 10am

These Masses will be live streamed as usual on our website.

THANK YOU FROM AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Firstly, a huge Thank You to Corpus Christi for your support and kindness over the weekend. You made me feel very welcome and were so helpful and encouraging.

I thought I had a reasonable idea of how much we had taken in donations and sales – judging it to be in the region of £700 but the amount taken via the baskets changed the picture totally, giving us an incredible total of **£1,388.68!**

I am absolutely stunned – and so delighted that those who attended Mass at Corpus Christi over the weekend responded so very generously to the Appeal.

The needs of Ukraine are immense, but I hope it will give you satisfaction to know that Corpus Christi Shrine has been able to contribute in such a meaningful and significant way.

Once again, with gratitude and heartfelt thanks.

Patricia Hatton ACN

PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE

The **Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral** is open every day if you would like to go and pray for those affected by the war, and can be found on **Duke Street, W1K 5BQ** (near Selfridges).

CONSECRATION OF UKRAINE & RUSSIA

On **Friday 25 March**, during the Celebration of Penance at which he will preside at in Saint Peter's Basilica, Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Holy Father has asked all the Bishops of the world to join in with this consecration and as such, His Eminence, Cardinal Nichols will be saying Mass and making the Act of Consecration at **Westminster Cathedral at 5:30pm**.

MASS INTENTIONS

To have a Mass offered for your intentions, use the envelopes at the back of the church or visit the website at **maidenlane.org.uk/intentions**

LONDON CHARTERHOUSE CATENIANS

London Charterhouse Catenians is a Fellowship of Catholic Men. Meetings 2nd Monday at 7pm in 24 Golden Square, Soho, London W1F 9JR (ie the basement of Warwick Street) More info at: **catenians.org.uk** or email: **join@catenians.org.uk**

Our sick parishioners and friends: Brona Lynch, Sheena Colman, Christos Hana, Philip Barney, Donna Webb, Christopher Bronne, Sandra Jones, Velrich Fernandes, Kee Ow Peng, Maria Jessiman, Sue Wingfield, Marilyn Bruce-Mitford, Peter Noakes, Tony Pearce, David Jordan, Christopher Browne, Margaret Griffith, Pascal James, Jean Bernard, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Warren Peterson, Nicholas Pollock, Fr Patrick Hayward, Traute Pollock, Noël Tobin, Geoff Smale, David Michael Barrett, John Lynch, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley

Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently: Muriel Jane Humphries, Sr Jolanta, OCarm., Heather Bashford, Fr David Irwin, Jose Antonio & Bertha, Sir David Amess, Richard Canon Hearn, Amarilde Pellegrini, Concetta Wager, Nellie Goodwin, Marlis Okeke, Paul Colman, Nancy McWilliams, Virginia Maria Vaz, Fr Kidane Lebasi, Mgr Mark Langham, Mary Quinlan, Larinka Wright, Claus Tenzler, Mgr Frederick Canon Miles, Christiane Brown