



Stations of the Cross: Fridays of Lent at 11.15am and 7.30pm.

- ◆ **CAFOD : Second Collection next week.** Envelopes available inside the newsletter. This collection is very well supported. Those who will benefit are grateful for your generosity. Please Gift Aid if a taxpayer.
- ◆ **Next Saturday 27th February** at 11am there will be a Service of the Word and Holy Communion, not Mass. There are no Confessions next Saturday morning.
- ◆ **In Lent, our Penitential Season,** we will not have flowers in church. This is an outward sign that at present we are not rejoicing but are being renewed internally. Please refrain from bringing flowers in Lent - wait until Easter. Thank you.
- ◆ **Lenten Day of Recollection, Prayer & Meditation** led by Sr Regina McGarry OP this **Tuesday 23rd February 2010** at The Niland Conference Centre, 93 Elstree Road, Bushey. 10.30am—ending with Mass at 2.45pm. Tel: 0208 950 4000. Email:bookings-finance@nilandcentre.co.uk
- ◆ **Journeying with the Gospels** continues on Monday at Deacon Neville's house at 8pm.. All welcome. Please phone 01923 441105.
- ◆ **Faith Matters in Lent 2010: " The Priest: Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow "** a lecture by Fr. Aiden Nichols, OP on 23rd February 2010
The Priest and the Universal Baptismal Call: A talk by Dr Clare Watkins on 2nd March 2010 at Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, London, from 7pm - 8.30pm. All are welcome.
- ◆ **LENTEN LUNCHESES:** all Fridays of Lent after 12 noon Mass. Price £2 for soup & roll, £4 soup, roll, salad and tea. Proceeds aid the needy of the world
- ◆ **Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony:** A Mass for Couples celebrating 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th and 60th wedding anniversaries at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 22nd May 2010 at 3.00pm. If you wish to attend please hand in your name to the clergy.
- ◆ **LENTEN ALMS** In recent years the custom throughout the Diocese has been to raise money during Lent to support charitable causes at home and overseas. This year, Archbishop Vincent, commends the St John Southworth Fund and the Thai Children's Trust. The 'Lenten Alms' box is at the back of the church.
- ◆ **Catholic Education Fund:** Amount raised £452.77. Thank you.
- ◆ **"The Glory of Easter"** concert at the Watford Colosseum 27th March. If you enjoy listening to high quality music & singing (as performed by the Watford Phil), be sure not to miss the forthcoming concert by Adoramus at the Colosseum. This will be the first time this renowned choir & orchestra have appeared in Watford. The concert is being promoted by all the churches across Watford (including Holy Rood). Tickets on sale after Mass next weekend.

- ◆ **Faith Sharing Groups** convene again in the season of Lent. To be a member please give in your name.
- ◆ **The Bible is for Catholics too:** A series of talks on Scripture (IV) with Fr Peter Burrows.
Why do I hurt if I am good? On 23rd February 2010 at 8pm. at The Parish Hall, SS Alban and Stephen, 14 Beaconsfield Road, Herts AL1 3RB. Drinks and light refreshments served from 7.30pm. Tel: 020 7931 6078.
- ◆ **Westminster Cathedral:** Lenten Divine Mercy - Day of Prayer on Saturday, March 6th from 9.30am to 4.30pm at Westminster Cathedral. Sacrament of Reconciliation available throughout. More information: Divine Mercy Apostolate tel:01491 414 498.
- ◆ **Fairtrade Fortnight events:** Fairtrade fortnight is from February 22nd to March 7th. Take a look at the display at the back of the church. There are free copies of 'The little book of SWAP' available for you to take away. It's a pocket guide to swapping our usual stuff for Fairtrade stuff thus guaranteeing a fairer price for developing world producers.
Parish Centre after 11am Mass **today** Sunday 21st February: Tastings of Fairtrade food and juice and display of beauty products.
Harlequin Centre - Watford Fairtrade Town Stand, Friday 26th February to Monday March 1st, 9am to 6pm.
St Andrew's Church: 'Big Brew' Saturday 27th February 3pm-4.30pm.
St Luke's Church: **'Quiz Night'**, Tuesday 23rd February at 7.45pm. Tables of 6, cost £5 each. Tickets from Oxfam Furniture Shop 01923 246209
Presentation of 'India from a Fairtrade Perspective' Tuesday 2nd March at 7.30pm, St Lukes, Langley Way.
- ◆ **Italian Mass:** Next Sunday 28th February at 12.30pm.
- ◆ **200 Club - January Draw:**
£ 125 Mr & Mrs Ellwood (59), £46 D Wade (451), £37 M Delaney (148)
£26 T Fitzpatrick (362).
- ◆ **Malayalam Mass:** next Saturday at 4.00pm
- ◆ **'A Discovering Priesthood Day'** for young men at Ealing Abbey on Saturday 13th March . Telephone 0208-862-2160 for more information.
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