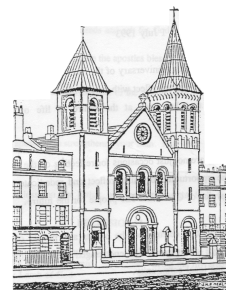


CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B

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LEARNING AND SERVING

As Christians we are called to work for a fairer world – to ensure that everyone has access to education, that our schools include those on the margins of society, and to tackle the root causes of poverty and inequality that lead to millions of people around the world being denied their basic human rights.

Last year's student protests and the debate around Higher Education funding highlight a fundamental question – what is education for? Our time in education is not simply about preparing us for the workplace; it is also about the development of the whole person and finding ways to use our newly acquired skills and knowledge in the service of others.

PARISH NEWS

SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS FOR ST JOHN'S: The second round of signing forms for St John's Nursery and Reception will take place on **Tuesday 7th February between 3:30 – 6pm** and **Wednesday 8th February 3:30 – 6pm**. No appointment is necessary. Please come during those times. If these dates are not convenient please ring after 4th February to make an appointment.

PARISH AGM AND ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS: The AGM will be held in the church at 4pm on Sunday 11th March and all parishioners are warmly invited to attend. The programme will consist of: 1. **Welcome and prayer by Fr Howard** 2. **Parish Council highlights of the Annual Report for 2011** 3. **A brief Question-and-Answer session with Parish Councillors** 4. **Elections to the Parish Council** 5. **Fr Howard to close the session.**

The Annual Report 2011 will be available on the parish Noticeboard and on the website from Sunday 19th February, or may be collected from the Parish Office thereafter during opening hours. An *Abridged* version will be available at the back of the church from Sunday 19th February.

Procedure for Elections to the Parish Council Four Councillors are standing down, of which two are standing for election. Thus there are four positions on the Council to be filled. 1. Nomination forms will be available at the back of the church after Mass on Saturday/Sunday 11/12 February and Saturday/Sunday 18/19. Forms may also be

picked up from the parish office on Tuesday to Friday 14 – 17 February and 21 – 24 between 10am to 2pm. 2. Completed Nomination forms to be returned to Fr Howard no later than **Sunday 26th February**. 3. Ballot forms listing all candidates, once approved by Fr Howard, will be distributed to all parishioners attending the AGM. Parishioners unable to attend, but wishing to vote may obtain a ballot form from the parish office March 6-9. These must be returned to Fr Howard by 11th March to be included in the count. 4. The four elected councillors will be announced in the Newsletter of Sunday 18th March. **Guido Waldman, Secretary to the Parish Council.**

ALTAR SERVERS: Training is being held for new Servers on Saturday 11th February at 12 noon in the main body of the church for those wishing to become new Servers. This training session is also for servers who are no longer Altar Serving and wish to resume. Requirements to become an Altar Server: one year must have elapsed after receiving your First Holy Communion, have good disposition, reliable and good time-keeping. Completed application forms can be received on the day. Application forms are available from the Sacristy on request before Mass.

SHARING THE LOAD ON THE LAUNDRY: There is a need to divide the laundry cleaning from the Altar Albs to Altar table cloths if you are able to volunteer to clean one alb a week in your weekly or daily wash. In most cases the alb does not need ironing, just hung dry. Please come to the Sacristy to give your name/number or just text Frank Amat on 07957 138 401.

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DIARY

SCHOOL MASSES: Sunday 5th February at 10:30
 JUPITER CLASS and **Wednesday 8th February** at 10am
 MARS CLASS will be arranging Liturgy for Mass.

BAPTISMS: We welcome our new parishioners who will be baptised on Sunday: Eamonn Wolfgang O’Connell, Alexander Constantine O’Connell, Janelle Benyarko and Estelle Collette Duriez.

NOTICES

SUNDAY COLLECTION 29 JANUARY: £408.95 envelopes / £650.77 loose

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

REST IN PEACE: Please pray for those who died, especially Mary Carroll: and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

HEALING: Please pray for parishioners and their relatives / friends who are ill, especially: Paddy Buckley, Mick Hossack, Amylia Boylen, June Edwards, Joanne Matthias, Adriano Grazioli, Chanelle Aldea Alba, Stephen Martinez, Fr Christopher Hamilton-Gray, Bro. J. Lavelle, Marist Brother, Mufide Family, Harry Perkins, Antonio Neto, Mary Frederick, Mary Halligan, John Day, Ned Martin, Jacky Kelly, Jacquelin Abel, Suzanne Greaves, Bridget Harrington, John Drum, Ann Sarling, Lorly McClure, Fred Pledger, and Joseph Kasonde.

| THE WEEK AHEAD | | | |
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| DATE | TIMES | INTENTIONS | READINGS |
| Sat 4 Feb | 6pm | Anne Drury RIP | Mark 1:29-39 |
| Sun 5 Feb FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR | 9am | Florence Mary Donovan RIP (Anniv) | |
| | 10:30am | John Scotch RIP (Anniv) | |
| | 12 noon | For Parishioners | |
| | 6pm | Hannah Fitzgerald RIP & Mgr Fr Harris RIP | |
| Mon 6 Feb SS Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs | 10am | Intentions of Oran Martin | Mark 6:53-56 |
| Tue 7 Feb Feria | 10am | Rev George Haines RIP (Anniv) | Mark 7:1-13 |
| Wed 8 Feb Feria | 10am | Estanislao Correa Ugazte RIP | Mark 7:14-23 |
| Thu 9 Feb Feria | 10am | Liam, Patrick, Ruth, Paul & Georgina McGory/White RIP | Mark 7:24-30 |
| Fri 10 Feb St Scholastica, Virgin <i>Friday abstinence</i> | 10am | Hannah Brooks RIP | Mark 7:31-37 |
| Sat 11 Feb Feria | 10am | Patrick Enright RIP | Mark 8:1-10 |
| | 10.30–11.30am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction | |
| | 10.30–11.30am / 5.15–5.45pm | Sacrament of Reconciliation | |
| | 6pm | James Pender RIP | Mark 1:40-45 |
| Sun 12 Feb SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR | 9:00am | John McDonnell RIP (Anniv) | |
| | 10:30am | Maureen Hallissey RIP (1 st Anniv) | |
| | 12 noon | Mass for Parishioners | |
| | 6pm | Domenico Proto RIP | |