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Newsletter and information bulletin
All Masses Celebrated in the week
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SUNDAY 5 OF LENT
Jer31: 31-34; Heb5: 7-9, John12: 20-33

DIVINE OFFICE

	Sunday	Weekday	Saturday
MATINS		6.00am	6.30am
LAUDS	7.35am	7.35am	7.35am
VESPERS	6.00pm	6.35pm	5.15pm
COMPLINE		8.00pm	
VIGIL			7.30pm

WEEKDAY & SATURDAY MASSES

7.00am
(With the Monks)
9.15am
6.00pm
(Vigil Mass of Sunday)

CONFESSION: Saturday:
10am-11am/4pm-5pm,
Thursday: 7.45pm-8.15pm

SUNDAY MASS

9.00am (with children's liturgy)
10.15am (Family Mass in Abbey Hall)
10.30am (Choral Mass)
12 noon (Sung Mass)
7.00pm (Young people's Mass)

Dear Parishioner,

We are entering Passiontide and the Church reflects ever more deeply on the significance of the presence of Jesus in Jerusalem. Jesus calls into ever closer friendship with him. Lent is a great time to deepen our love of him. In the Gospel Jesus goes up to the Festival of Passover and meets some Greeks through the agency of Philip and Andrew – in fact the Greeks ask to see him. This is a fulfillment of the prophecy of Jeremiah that all nations will honour the Lord in Jerusalem. People all over the world will participate actively in salvation history by worshipping the Triune God in Spirit and in Truth. It points therefore to the beginning of the Church's worldwide mission. Jesus said to them: "Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified...unless a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies it yields a rich harvest" Jesus is pointing to his death and resurrection and harvest it will reap. He then goes on to say: "Anyone who loves life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the life eternal."

We must ponder what this life is that we gain when we are prepared to lose our life in this world. We practice losing our life a little by Lenten sacrifices, but these should enable us to see the real beauty of life in Christ. We can practice reaching out to others, even if in very small way, now. It is not about what we are doing for God. Rather, it is about our response to what God is doing for us. It is never too late to turn back to God and ask him to enable us to love him and our fellow human beings more.

Now we are seeing warmer and sunnier days. This might encourage us to ask ourselves the question: "How do I thank God for the gift of life today through taking extra time in prayer, meditation or reflection on Scripture?"

Yours in Christ,

D Timothy Gorham

Anniversaries from the week commencing 17th March 2024

Ronald Pidduck, Kathleen Heaslip, Florence Pomeroy, Mary McCabe, Christopher Crichton, Stephen Lunn, Elizabeth Bradford, Dennis Gallagher, Patrick Hartnett, Marina Marques de Carvalho, Patrick Marum, David Mealing, Stanislaw Chmiel, Mary Warfield, Mary Fennell, Richard Williams, Rosena Mentior, Rose Beaumont, Michael Kulwicz, Thomas Michael Maramaros, Joy Drower, Nora Campbell, James Finn, James O'Brien, Joshua Critcher, Sarah Valvona, Joseph Riley, Elizabeth Sinclair, Audrey MacLeish, Norman Vogel, James Donovan, James McCormack, Pauline Hill, Agnes Gaerty, Mary McManus, Patrick Oates, Rodney James Mason, Valerie Morgan, Marion Beasley, Lucy Ames, Diana Hawkins, Nicholas Chapman

Information & Diary

Collections 9th & 10th March 2024

Offertory, ATM, and others: £1975

We are deeply grateful for the wonderful financial support we receive. If you would like to make a donation to help us to continue to sustain the mission of the Church, share the Gospel and serve those in need, our Bank Account details are:

Bank: Royal Bank of Scotland, 49 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 3AS Account No: 19123696 Sort Code: 16-00-15 Account Name: The Trust of St Benedict's Ealing Abbey

Sunday 17th March

Monday 18th March

Bingo 8pm-9pm Parish Hall

Tuesday 19th March

ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Senior citizens: 1.00-3.00pm Coffee lounge. Meet new friends, sip tea and nibble on freshly made sandwiches and cakes. All welcome!

Toddlers: 9.45-11.45am – parish hall

Meditation: in the Bulbeck Room with Fr. Robin 6.30pm.

THE WILD GOOSE. Video- based reflection on discovering a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. 7-8Ppm at the coffee lounge. All are welcome.

Wednesday 20th March

Book Circle will meet at 8.15 pm in the Coffee Lounge. See back for more details

Thursday 21st March

THE PASSING OF ST BENEDICT

Toddlers: 9.45am-11.45am – parish hall.

Lectio Divina: 10.00am in the Bulbeck Room with Sheila Rees, refreshments at 11.00am and meditation at 11.15. With Fr Robin.

There will be no confessions on Thursday evening. Exposition is at 6.45pm-8.30pm

Friday 22nd March

1.30pm and 8.20pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Saturday 23rd March

Book Circle will meet on Wednesday 20th March at 8.15 pm in the Coffee Lounge to discuss All the Names by Jose Saramago. All are welcome.

The book to read for the following meeting is 'A Month in the Country' by J L Carr.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

This month's collection of items for the Ealing Food Bank will be next Sunday 24th March between 9am and 1pm in the Bookshop Porch, and not the following week, which is Easter Sunday. Please see posters in porches for details.



Calling all Altar Servers

The parish are holding an afternoon for Altar Servers on Saturday 20th April from 2pm.

There will be a short period of refresher training and then a celebration mass at 2.45pm. We will be enrolling servers into the Guild of St Stephen and for those already enrolled awarding Certificates recognising their service as servers. After the mass there will be tea, coffee, soft drinks, and cake in the parish hall.

If you would like your child to take part parents should email Deacon Ian (ianedwards@rcdow.org.uk) to confirm attendance by Wednesday 27th March. If your child is not currently an altar server, has taken their First Holy Communion, and would be interested in becoming a server they are welcome to attend. They can meet the other servers, join in the training, stay for mass and refreshments afterwards.

Please contact Deacon Ian.

St Benedict's School, the leading independent Catholic co-educational school in Ealing for children aged 3 -18, is holding a series Open Mornings for admissions in September 2025 for both Senior and Junior school applicants.

Spring Open Days are being held in May as follows:

Thursday 2 May 2024 – Nursery & Junior School Open Morning

Thursday 16 May 2024 – Senior School Open Morning

For full details and to book onto one of the Open Days, please visit:

<https://www.stbenedicts.org.uk/visit-us>

or for more information, please contact Louise Pepper on 020 8862 2254.