

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES
OF MOLESEY & HERSHAM
St Barnabas Vine Road Molesey
All Saints Queens Road Hersham

19 MARCH 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be
satisfied at her consoling breast.*

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Confessions: *By appointment and before and after the
Saturday Masses at Molesey & Hersham*

WELCOME TO MASS Readings and
prayers are found in the Parish Missals for *The
Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A.*

Dear Parishioners, dear friends,

Last week's gospel left us with the words of
Our Lord hanging in air pregnant with faith
and love. I am he says Jesus to the sinful but
searching woman of Samaria. This week the
man born blind shows us that the search is
truly a work of faith and demands the response
not just of the senses but of the whole person. I
am the one declares the man born blind: yes he
has responded, he believes.

Dismissed by others, the buck even passed by
his parents he says with all resolution 'I am the
man'. For Jesus has touched his life, opened his
eyes but more deeply enlightened him with
faith. I am the man...

The response of others is superficial. This is a
man born blind and now he can see? How can
that be? He was cured on an inappropriate day
for such work, that is surely not right. He must
be a sinner why else would he be so
disadvantaged? The action of Jesus reaches
below the surface and meets the man in the
rawness of his existence.

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We are made from the dust of the earth, the
raw things of physical life into which the very
life of God is breathed. Jesus takes dust and
mingles it with His spit and invites the man to
wash. This created being is renewed in the very
life of God a life first given to him at His
creation. God's plan for this man is good not
sin, it is life not death it is dignity not ignominy.
And as a dignified child of God 'old enough to
answer for himself' he makes his choice: 'He
has opened my eyes....'

Again Jesus seeks him out. Again, the *man looks*
it is the response of the head the rational
response of reason. *He believes* it is the response
of the heart the gifted response of faith. *He*
worships it is the response of the whole self the
giving of the self back to the One who gave us
life from the dust of the earth.

Whether fit or ailing, whether young or old,
convert or cradle today with the eyes of faith
and the help of this man we are enlightened, we
see again we declare ourselves to the men and
women who have been touched by the Saviour.
We see, we believe, we worship.

With the assurance of my prayers, especially in
the Sacrifice of the Mass, and my affectionate
good wishes.

Fr Richard

THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION NEXT Sunday for Easter Flowers.

The Prayer & Life Workshops in our two parishes continue in Molesey on Mondays from 6.30pm - 8.30pm and in Hersham on Tuesdays from 7pm - 9pm. You are warmly invited to join whichever is most convenient for you.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Holy Ones of Encouragement

For regular updates, news and devotions

Access the page by going to

www.stbarnabasmolesey.org

and click on the Facebook icon.

You do not have to join Facebook to see this.

THE LIVE STREAM

AT MOLESEY: All Live streamed

Monday at 9.30am, Tuesday at 9.30am, Thursday at 9.30am, Saturday 10am (*Latin Mass*), Sunday at 11am & 6pm.

AT HERSHAM: All live streamed

Wednesday at 9.30am, Friday at 12noon, Saturday at 5.30pm (*Vigil Mass*) & Sunday at 9am.

To access the live stream Molesey & Hersham go to www.stbarnabasmolesey.org and click on the picture of the appropriate church.

**AN HOUR OF PRAYER FOR PEACE
WITH EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
ALL SAINTS, HERSHAM**

**Wednesdays during Lent 10am-11am
BOTH CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR
PRIVATE PRAYER FROM 9am to dusk**

PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;

Body of Christ, save me;

Blood of Christ, inebriate me;

Water from the side of Christ, wash me;

Passion of Christ, strengthen me;

O good Jesus hear me;

Within your wounds hide me;

Suffer me not to be separated from you,
From the evil one protect me;
At the hour of my death, call me;
And bid me come to thee; That with thy
saints I may be praise thee
For all eternity. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

This prayer is said when it is not possible for us to receive Holy Communion. If you are watching a live stream Mass, you might like to say the prayer as the priest receives Holy Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

For those who are suffering

O God, who willed that our infirmities be borne by your Only Begotten Son to show the value of human suffering, listen in kindness to our prayers for our brothers and sisters who are sick; grant that all who are oppressed by pain, distress or other afflictions may know that they are chosen among those proclaimed blessed and are united to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Merciful God, come to the help of your people. Be our shelter in this time of peril and strengthen the bonds of our community. Bring healing to all who suffer the ravages of disease and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

LET US PRAY FOR: *For those who are sick in our parishes:* Maureen & Bill Dodds, Carol, Rosa Saccente, Peter Kissinger, Sonia Chenery, Antony Leonard, David Morgan, John O'Reilly, Kevin O'Connor, Eptisam Yusef, Peter Weeks, Patrick Russell, Ann Griffin, Andy Hanges, Patricia Malcolm,

Rose Collins, Maureen Lloyd, Ann Livingston, Dina Yates, Nicoletta Lanzisera, Richard D'Alton, the Superville and McComb family, Mark.

Please advise the parish offices of those names and intentions you would like added to our list for our prayers.

Those who have died:

Nora Tierney, Elizabeth (Lizzie) Obi, Paul O'Brien, Therese Ayres, Judith Carratu, Antonia Pacitti, Patricia Clarke, Mike Robinson, Marianna, Viscountess Monckton, Clara de Souza, Arthur Mohan, Michael O'Reilly, Barbara Carter, Mary O'Riordan, Eileen Firth, Bob Baillie, Pat Gamba, Sheila Day, Matthew Slingo, Theresa Sant, Elisa Sciales, Jossie Jackson, Christina Ward, Brian Binnington, Anthony Wright, Ann Daly, Roy Fields, Jean Sciales, Trevor Davies, Antony Wright, Edna McLaughlin, Fr Desmond Baker, Fr Dominic Byrne, Ann Daly, Tina Cruz Riquet, Eddie Murphy, Wally Grey, Cathy Stayne, Lucian Farcasi, Geoffrey Hayes, Wally Grey, Tim Lamb, Nick Harvey, Tim Hipperson, Geoffrey Maud, Esther Inskipp, Fr Kevin Alban, Julie Benton-MacLeod, Jose Odackal Joseph, Ben Adderley, Eileen Creed, Sandrine Atkins, Charles Alexander, Nellie Widdup, Bette Reed, Bobbettie McColl, Beatrice Hammond, Desmond Alphonso, Dennis Lackey, Gilly Becker, Mgr Barry Wymes, Fr Richard Lear CJ, Sue Bolton, Patrick Duggan, Kathleen Bell, Peggy Fitzgerald, Edward Quigley, Carl Zalman, Carmen Szkwirko, Harry O'Sullivan, William Ritchie, Teresa Redmond, Rosanna Hilling, Helena Wallis, John Knowles, Kathleen Kelly (Lambert), Gerry Firth, Glen Adderley, Salvator Messini, Rui Da Silva, Maria Camara.

Those who anniversaries fall this week:

Fr Hugh Raynham, Fr Jeremy Lear, Fr Cyril Cravos, Canon Thomas Lynch, Fr Edward Holloway, Fr Hugh Donaghy, Fr Brian Taylor.

An On Line Link for Mass Prayers

The readings from daily Mass:

<http://universalis.com/mass.h>

CHILDREN NEEDED for St Barnabas Stations of the Cross. All children are welcome to join! If you are interested, please contact Jean Casha on 07960 654 813.

FOR CHILDREN AT ST BARNABAS GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 10am *followed by coffee & hot cross buns.*

FOR CHILDREN AT ALL SAINTS, GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 10am *followed by coffee.*

EASTER EGG HUNT for children after the Easter Sunday Mass at 11am Mass in the hall.

ARE YOU DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING? Would you like to attend the monthly diocesan Mass signed in BSL, with specific Liturgical Mass Signs for the Mass? If you would like further information about our Signed Mass or the diocesan Deaf Group, please text or email the diocesan Inclusion Adviser Margaret Fraher; Mobile: 07508-459-315 or Email: margaret.fraher@abdiocese.org.uk

Prayer and Life Workshops

You are warmly invited to The Prayer and Life Workshops. This a wonderful opportunity to work with a very gifted and inspired visiting team who will guide us and nurture us through a transformative experience in prayer.

There are leaflets at the back of the church and you can contact me for more information email: johngerard@talktalk.net

We would love to see you as we journey together on this path to holiness imitating Christ through Lent and Eastertide finishing in May...bring a friend too! The sessions will be held at

St Barnabas Hall on Monday evenings 6.30pm -8.30pm and in Hersham on Tuesday evenings 7pm – 9pm.

NEW PARISHIONER? Welcome to All Saints, Hersham & St Barnabas, Molesey! Please make yourself known to Fr Richard, or the Parish office. Registration forms are available from the back of the church. If you would like a visit from Fr Richard, please contact him.

Please feel free to call by the presbytery to simply say hello.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC? We have two groups running in our parishes at All Saints and St Barnabas. Please contact Fr Richard or Yvonne Foster through the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS are gladly received. Please fill out a Mass Intention envelope (available from the back of the church). Hersham Masses can be organised in the sacristy after Mass there and Molesey through the parish office. *When requesting a Mass Intention, please indicate whether the Mass is for the deceased, the sick or another reason.*

BIBLE STUDY -

How well do you know your scripture? Why not take up the invitation to study the Bible. All you need is a Bible, a notebook and pen. All are welcome!

When: Wednesday evenings, 6:30pm-7:30pm

Where: St Barnabas Parish Hall

THE NEXT UCM MEETING is on Wednesday 19th April 2023 at 11am in St Barnabas, Hall. All are warmly invited; refreshments will be served.

WELCOMERS NEEDED AT ST BARNABAS The wonderful service of welcoming people in at Mass is a relatively easy and quite enjoyable way of contributing to the Parish life. We currently need help at the 11am & 6pm Mass. Full training and help will be given, please contact Anny through the parish email or phone the parish office or talk to her after mass on Sunday mornings.

CONFIRMATION 2023

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**The next meeting for the Confirmation candidates is at MOLESEY on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 5pm staying on for the Mass at 6pm.**

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023**

The children preparing for the Sacraments of Confession & First Holy Communion continue at HERSHAM 9am Mass & MOLESEY 11am Mass on **Sunday 23 April 2023.**

### **SYNOD: 2021-2024**

The Synod process has now been expanded with a new opportunity to reflect on a document summarising all of the world's submissions prior to the next phase. To access the document, FAQs and an online feedback form, please go to

W: [www.abdiocese.org.uk/synod](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/synod) For any questions, please email E: [synod@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:synod@abdiocese.org.uk)

### **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023**

Bookings are open for World Youth Day! Journey to Lisbon with a group of 18-35 years olds from across the Diocese to meet with the Holy Father and celebrate our joyous faith with millions of others from across the world. 31 July to 7 August 2023. Contact E: [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk) for more information.

### **ST BARNABAS YOUTH CLUB FOR YEAR 3 & UPWARDS**

**New rules -**

1. Children must be registered.
2. Cost **£1** per session
3. Times 6pm to 7.30pm
4. Parents are **NOT** to come into the hall they must wait outside.

**Registration:** If your child would like to attend you must text Jean Casha 07960-654-813 with the following information – Name, surname, School Year, phone number, address and permission to add



your number to the closed WhatsApp group. Term time only.

**A GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITY:** Are you 18-30, or do you know someone who is? Do you want to develop a wide range of skills including leadership while learning about global justice and inspiring others to use their faith in action? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, believes in equipping and inspiring young adults to contribute to a more just and peaceful world. Step into the Gap is a fully funded year of volunteering, with food, accommodation, stipend and training within a UK placement plus a Rome and Assisi pilgrimage. Visit the CAFOD website for more information: [cafod.org.uk/gapyear](http://cafod.org.uk/gapyear)

### **CAFOD**

(CAFOD is The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development and is the official laid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales and part of Caritas International. CAFOD works with local partners in Africa, Asia, Latin America, The Caribbean and the Middle East - a total of 165 countries).

#### **How to contact CAFOD**

[www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk) or email

[cafod@cafod.org.uk](mailto:cafod@cafod.org.uk) or telephone

**0303 303 3030**

Address: CAFOD Head Office,  
Romero House, 55 Westminster  
Bridge Road, LONDON, SE1 7JB

UK charity number 1160384  
company limited by guarantee  
number 09387398

Parish Representative (All Saints)  
Marion DAWES -01932 231317

### **CAFOD URGENT APPEAL - Turkey – Syria Earthquake disaster**

CAFOD is of the 15 UK charities that form The Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC). They have launched an emergency appeal to help the survivors of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. The UK government has agreed to match the appeal pound for pound, up to £5 million, so any

received donations will be doubled to this amount.

These charities are well aware of the financial constraints that all of us now have. In the past you have been **very generous** for which CAFOD and other charities thank you.

If you can donate, then please either go onto the CAFOD website

[cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)

or write a cheque and hand it to the office at St Barnabas or All Saints churches or post it to CAFOD Head Office, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB

Thank you for your prayers, your support and your generosity.

### **ORDER OF MALTA – APPEAL FOR UKRAINE**

As the conflict in Ukraine continues, more and more lives are being lost, and homes, hospitals and schools destroyed. Road blockages mean people cannot reach food or medical care. Those fleeing their homes have few resources as they enter neighbouring countries as refugees.

Food, medicine, shelter, welcoming of refugees, care of the elderly and disabled who are not able to flee. This is the work the Order has carried out for centuries and is recognised in the surrounding regions as a trusted frontline provider.

#### **These are the people who need our help now!**

BASMOM through our Foreign Aid Service (FAS) is seeking donations towards the Order's frontline care in Ukraine and in the surrounding countries.

You can donate on the following and input BASMOM's charity number 1103567:

[cafonline.org](http://cafonline.org) or you can send a cheque or Bank Transfer to

BASMOM FOREIGN AID Services

Sort code: 15-99-00

Account number: 03801990

The Foreign Aid Service

Craigmyle House, 13 Deodar Rd. SW15 2NP

## PARISH FINANCES

*With the previous suspension of Sunday Masses and the lack of a Sunday collection, please consider the financial needs of the parishes. Whilst it might be possible to set aside your Sunday contribution why not think about a standing order to the parishes?*

### **FOR HERSHAM**

*Account Name:*

***Roman Catholic Diocese of  
Arundel and Brighton. All Saints,  
Hersham.***

*Account Number 21077295*

*All Saints Hersham now has a contactless terminal so you can contribute to various church funds by using debit or credit cards. You can also contribute Online by going to this link:*

<https://donate.mydona.com/all-saints-church-hersham>

### **FOR MOLESEY**

*Account Name:*

***Roman Catholic Diocese of  
Arundel and Brighton. St  
Barnabas, Molesey***

*Account Number 71077252*

*The Sort Code for both accounts is 40-05-20  
Many parishioners already support the parishes by direct giving through their bank. You will understand that we need to support our parishes even though we may not be at church as regularly*

## **FOODBANK DONATIONS AT HERE TO HELP -ELMBRIDGE**

David Bone (a parishioner) has set up a Facebook site called Here to Help – Elmbridge. This initiative is to offer help to people in our local community who are in need in terms of food, gifts, clothes and furniture. **If you are in need or would like to help** or are able to offer your time to

collect and deliver items, please contact David on **07714 683090** or via Facebook via the following link:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/732010290666981/>

## **ALL SAINTS HERSHAM & ST BARNABAS MOLESEY FOOD BANK DONATIONS.**

Items urgently required:

1. Long life sponge puddings
2. Rice pudding
3. Tinned Tuna
4. Custard
5. Non-bio washing pods
6. Nappies – size 6 & 7
7. Shampoo

**NO FRESH FOOD, PLEASE.**

### Collection points:

1. At the back of All Saints and St. Barnabas churches.
  2. The Food Bank Warehouse, Faulkners Road, Hersham - opposite Lilliput's Nursery. On Wednesday 10am-12.00 noon.
- OR PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING A FINANCIAL DONATION, which will be used to buy fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs on the day of the distribution of the food parcels. A financial donation can be made online at [waltonhersham.foodbank.org.uk](http://waltonhersham.foodbank.org.uk)

## **GIFT AID REALLY MAKES A DIFFERENCE TO OUR PARISH**

Gift Aid is a UK Government initiative that allows tax relief on money donated to UK charities. Gift Aid increases the value of your donations and means that All Saints, Hersham and St Barnabas, Molesey can benefit even more at no extra cost to you! If you're a UK taxpayer, add Gift Aid whenever you make a donation and St Barnabas, Molesey and All Saints, Hersham can reclaim the basic rate of tax on your gift, currently 25p for every £1 you give. If you would like to become a Gift Aid donor please complete the Gift Aid declaration at the back of the church.

## **HERSHAM DAY CENTRE** **PROGRAMME**

Please pick up the latest activity programme. There are a range of activities every day in the Centre, and outings to Windsor and Worthing.

Plus, some special events including an evening ballroom dance. There are some programmes at All Saints, Hersham or pop into the day centre between 9.30 and 4pm or telephone Amy 01932 246267.

**RELAUNCH OF *LOVE HERSHAM* – An ecumenical project from Churches Together, Hersham.** There are several people, who already work hard to help others in our community. They are usually silent, conscientious volunteers, so **FIRSTLY, THANK YOU** for all you do.

*Love Hersham* is to further build our community spirit. If you have an idea, or already involved in an activity that needs more support please contact Marion Dawes (01932 231317 [marion.dawes@gmail.com](mailto:marion.dawes@gmail.com)).

**AND FINALLY,** if you know of anybody in difficulty, or anybody who is not receiving news or anybody who is anxious, please, please contact the parish priest who will be only too pleased to do what he can. May the good Lord continue to bless us all.

*Fr Richard Biggerstaff,*

*Parish Priest of All Saints Hersham with St Barnabas Molesey.*