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

#### 12 MARCH 2023

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me & have mercy on me, for I am alone & poor.

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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 Third Sunday of Lent Year A.

Dear Parishioners, dear friends,

This Third Sunday of Lent we switch gospels and read from St John. We hear an extraordinary encounter of Jesus and the Samaritan women, at a well in the Samaritan town of Sychar. This woman is on the fringes of things and yet Jesus has time for her.

The encounter is more than just a cosy meeting. As we stand to listen to the gospel at Sunday Mass a number of things might go through our minds. We might be feeling that this is all rather long and unnecessary; we might feel a little tired and looking forward to sitting down just as soon as we can; we might wonder what the levels of meaning might be trying to say.

I encourage you to prepare for the gospel this Sunday by reading it in advance and perhaps even praying a little with it. Take a scene, the opening scene perhaps. Imagine the scene, the buildings, the public place, the sand, the well. Imagine the faces of the The Parish Office Tuesday – Friday 9.15 am-12.15pm Tel: 020 8941 8400 Email: <u>stbarnabaseastmolesey@btconnect.com</u>

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woman and of Jesus Himself. And imagine the voice of the Lord simply asking, as He asked, the woman, for a drink.

Imagine now what He would say to you. Perhaps He would speak about some aspect of your life? Perhaps He might ask you to do something for Him? Perhaps He might point out a truth which you have known but resisted. Perhaps He might ask for a renewal of your love.

Think then how this type of prayer leaves you. Sit with the feelings for a little. Don't rush on to the next task, simply give yourself time to reflect and ponder.

When you hear the gospel again at Mass listen to it in a similar spirit of prayer and reflection. Focus on the scene, be generous with your attention, feel free to close your eyes and then ask again the simply contemplative question: what is Jesus, my friend and brother, saying to me.

With the assurance of my prayers, especially in the Sacrifice of the Mass, and my affectionate good wishes. *Fr Richard*  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 <u>www.stbarnabasmolesey.org</u> 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

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

To access the live stream Molesey & Hersham go to <u>www.stbarnabasmolesey.org</u> 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 Marianna. Viscountess Robinson. 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:

Canon Daniel Moriarty, Bishop David Cashman, Fr Denis Cronin, Fr Hugh Scullin, Fr Charles Clarke, Fr Michael Carroll, Fr David Rea, Fr David Maed-Briggs.

## An On Line Link for Mass Prayers

The readings from daily Mass: http://universalis.com/mass.h

**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: <u>johngerard@talktalk.net</u>

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 - Starting 15th March**

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 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 11am in St Barnabas, Hall. All are warmly invited; refreshments will be served.

# CONFIRMATION 2023

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 this **Sunday 12 March 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: <u>www.abdiocese.org.uk/synod</u> For any questions, please email E: <u>synod@abdiocese.org.uk</u>

**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.

#### 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. ContactE: <u>lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk</u> 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 <u>must</u> 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 Overseas Agency for 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

#### JOB VACANCIES AT CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

- After School Club playworker
- Graduate LSA Vacancy

For job descriptions and to apply please download and complete the application form from the School website and return to <u>vacancy@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk</u> or apply via <u>ETeach</u>. Alternatively you can request a paper form from the school office and return it to the school 01932 222 536.

# 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-churchhersham

# 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

## 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 or email cafod@cafod.org.uk or telephone 0303 303 3030 Address: CAFOD Head Office,

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  $\pounds 5$  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

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.

## 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/73201 0290666981/

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

Items urgently required:

- 1. Pasta sauce
- 2. Rice pudding
- 3. Tinned tomatoes
- 4. Jam/ Peanut Butter
- 5. Marmite
- 6. Crisps/Savoury snacks family size

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

#### 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 few resources as thev have 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 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

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## 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 <u>no extra cost to you</u>! 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  $\pounds$ 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.

**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.