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

12 FEBRUARY 2023

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

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Saturday Masses at Molesey & Hersham

WELCOME TO MASS Readings and prayers are found in the Parish Missals for The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A.

Dear Parishioners, dear friends,

Sometimes we dress up our decisions as being God given when in fact they are simply an assertion of our own will. It sounds harsh, but I suggest it because I know for one that I'm guilty of the sin! On this Sunday of the Church's year we hear from St Matthew's gospel and Our Lord counselling against this sort of attitude.

Clearly, it is no way to live life and to make a dramatic display of oaths and swearing this and that on that and this. Do not even swear by your own head, says Jesus, almost giggling at us, 'You cannot turn a single hair of your head white or black'. And then Our Divine Lord calls us to be obedient to God's Law and says, 'All you need say is Yes, if you mean yes and no if you mean no....'

Perhaps Christian obedience is basically understood in the sense of a radical straightforwardness of living and to understand more about that, we must understand more about the perfect exemplar of obedience, Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

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On the Sundays of Ordinary Time St Matthew focuses our attention on Jesus who, in a spirit of obedience to the Father, asks us to live in this radically obedient way. We were presented with the topsy turvey world of the Beatitudes where the poor become kings, the gentle inherit the earth, the mournful are comforted, the hungry are satisfied, the merciful receive mercy, the pure see God. Having been asked with Peter and Andrew, James and John to follow the Lord (a response to which can only be undertaken in a spirit of obedience) we will soon discover the implications of their response.

This Sunday we are asked, in the midst of tough teaching about forgiveness and chastity and martial fidelity, that our yes mean yes and our no mean no – the straightforward radical way of Christian living.

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 -9.00pm. 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 9.30am, Saturday at 5.30pm (*Vigil Mass*) & Sunday at 9am.

To access the live stream Molesey & Hersham go to <u>nww.stbarnabasmolesey.org</u> and click on the picture of the appropriate church.

THE MASSES OF ASH WEDNESDAY 22 FEBRUARY

At 9.30am Hersham At 7pm in Molesey.

AN HOUR OF PRAYER FOR PEACE WITH EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ALL SAINTS, HERSHAM Every Friday morning 10am-11am

BOTH CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER FROM 9am to dusk every day.

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 (Funeral 11am 8 March), Elizabeth (Lizzie) Obi (Funeral 12 noon 9 March), Paul O'Brien (Funeral 6 March), Therese Ayres (Funeral Andover 24 Feb) Judith Carratu, Antonia Pacitti, Patricia Mike Robinson, Clarke. 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 Carmen Zalman, Szkwirko, Harry William O'Sullivan, 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 Raymond Bryant, Dc James McEwan, Fr Jerome O'Sullivan, Fr John Proctor, Fr Patrick Chick, Fr John Sewell.

An On Line Link for Mass Prayers

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

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.

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.

THE NEXT UCM MEETING is on Wednesday 15th February 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 this Sunday 5th March 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 5 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>

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

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: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

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

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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY 03 MARCH

• 10.30am St Paul's Church, East Molesey, followed by refreshments.

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement lead by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. It is the largest ecumenical service in the world and is a special time for worship in our communities.

If you are free, please do support this ecumenical event in Molesey EVERYONE IS WARMLY WELCOMED.

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, 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

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

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

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/732010290666981/

ALL SAINTS HERSHAM & ST BARNABAS MOLESEY FOOD BANK DONATIONS.

Items urgently required:

- 1. Juice or Squash
- 2. Ketchup or Mayonnaise
- 3. UHT milk
- 4. Long life sponge puddings
- 5. Washing up liquid
- 6. Crisps/Savoury snacks family size 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

MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

The Diocese is pleased to be able to offer a range of courses to empower anyone involved in ministry to walk alongside those who struggle with mental health issues. We delivering will be MHFA England Accredited Awareness, Champion and First Aid Courses in a variety of locations as well as online to make them accessible for everyone. Suitable for Catechists, Welcomers, Ministers of Consolation, in fact anyone who speaks to anyone else in

the community! The first course takes place on Saturday 25 February in Guildford. Email: formationevents@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

FRANCISCAN CENTRE

LADYWELL Set in the heart of beautiful Surrey, we offer retreats, quiet days, spiritual direction and programmes, both residential and non-residential. 'Come away and rest for a while' (Mark 6.31)

February 18th and 19th 2023 'All Praise Be Yours.... praying with Francis and Clare' A weekend time of retreat and reflection at the Franciscan Centre, Ladywell with Br Adrian Peelo OFM.

Join us for the day, or for the weekend. We have day places or residential opportunities available. Contact us for further information or to book. Address: Ashstead Lane, Godalming, Surrey, GU7 1ST

Tel: 01483 675575

Email: franciscancentre@ladywell.org.uk Website: www.franciscancentre.org.uk

KS1/KS2 EARLY CAREER TEACHER

Required from September 2023 Permanent, full-time contract. Salary: Xavier Main Pay Range We are a friendly and successful 2form entry primary school within the Xavier Catholic Education Trust. We are currently seeking an Early Career Teacher to join our school community of Learners, Believers and Friends. and creative curriculum; We would be delighted to show you around our lovely school. Visits are not required but very welcome. To arrange a visit please school office contact the office@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk Please apply either via ETeach or via the application form on the school website and return vacancy@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk bv 20th February 2023 Interviews will take place on 27th February 2023 Cardinal Newman Catholic Primary School. Hersham.

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 they 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 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.

SING A FESTIVAL OF ELMBRIDGE

CHOIRS launches the 30th Anniversary celebrations of The R C Sherriff Trust

Thursday 23 February - The Elmbridge Choir, Earthly Voices, Molesey Ladies Choir, Promenade Choir, Treble Clef Choir. Friday 24 February - Elmbridge Ladies Choir, Oxshott Choral Society, Promenade Choir, St. Peter's Choir, Walton Voices. Weybridge Male Voice Choir.

Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th February 7.30pm Tickets £5

PLEASE NOTE This event is being held at St. Peter's Church, Burwood Rd, Hersham, KT12 4AA and is organised by The RC Sherriff Trust. For more information, please email arts@rcsherrifftrust.org.uk

CHARITY GALA CONCERT FOR

UKRAINE Marking a year on from the start of the war, the Ukrainian Cultural Association in the UK will present a fundraising concert in Christ Church at 7pm on Saturday 25 February. It will be in aid of Ukrainian humanitarian relief and will include music by Mozart, Dvorak, Debussy, Albeniz and Ukrainian composers, as well as videomontage, an art exhibition and refreshments.

Tickets £20.00 (children under 16 free) PLEASE book tickets via www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parish-of-Esher For more details, please go to the website www.esherparish.org.uk

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.

<u>DATES FOR OUR DIARIES</u> – more details in the newsletter and on display in the Narthex at All Saints Church, Hersham

- Wednesday 22 February Ash Wednesday. The start of Lent
- Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th February St Peter's Church, Hersham 7.30 pm both evenings. Tickets £5.00. Several of our parishioners from Hersham and Molesey will be participating in this festival. Come and support them if you are free.
- The Elmbridge Choirs Festival part of the 30th year celebrations of RC Sheriff Trust . For more details email arts@rcsherrifftrust.org.uk
- Saturday 25th February 7pm a charity concert for Ukraine .
 Christ Church, Esher Green, ESHER tickets £20.00per adult (children under 16 free) Book tickets through www.ticketsource.co.uk/Parishof-Esher
- Saturday 25th February 2pm-3.30pm LOVE HERSHAM IS BACK FOR LENT (February 21st to 2nd April). During this holy period of Lent we seek to show love to our community in Hersham by taking on social action projects.
- Come along to St Peter's Church, Hersham on SATURDAY 25th February from 2-3.30pm for the

- LOVE HERSHAM LAUNCH EVENT. More details on the LOVE HERSHAM website, and at All Saints.
- FRIDAY 3 March WORLD DAY
 OF PRAYER St Mark's,
 Whiteley Village, 11am
 Refreshments afterwards. Lifts are
 available for parishioners from All
 Saints.
- FRIDAY 3 March FAMILY FAST DAY, Major fundraiser for CAFOD.

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.