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THIRD SUNDAY - SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

SATURDAY	25TH	18:00	Third Sunday	Solemnity	
SUNDAY	25TH	08:30	Third Sunday	Solemnity	Pro Populo
SUNDAY	25TH	10:00	Third Sunday	Solemnity	Charles Marriage RIP
SUNDAY	25TH	12:00	Third Sunday	Solemnity	Katrina Fleming RIP
SUNDAY	25TH	18:00	Third Sunday	Solemnity	
MONDAY	26TH	10:00	Sts. Timothy and Titus	Memorial	
TUESDAY	27TH	10:00	St. Angela Merici	Memorial	
WEDNESDAY	28TH	10:00	St. Thomas Aquinas	Memorial	
THURSDAY	29TH	10:00		Feria	
FRIDAY	30TH	10:00		Feria	
SATURDAY	31ST	10:00	St. John Bosco	Memorial	

TEA AND COFFEE: SUNDAY AFTER 10AM MASS

CONFESIONS: SATURDAY EVENINGS: 5PM - 5:40PM



We pray for Anastasie Baron, Teresa Augustin, Paul Duffy, Anne Harkin and James Murphy who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Bridgid Morrin, Bridgid McBride, Mary Reid, Victor Owusu, Michael Soowambar, Annie Ward and Mary Gorman. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls - and the souls of all the faithful departed - rest in peace. Amen.

Tuning into the football highlights recently I was struck by the goal celebration of Igor Thiago - a Brazilian striker for the London-based team Brentford. After the goal he pointed to himself and waved his finger and then pointed up to God to give Him the glory. It was a simple - but very powerful - gesture. As we spoke about prayer with our confirmation candidates yesterday we reflected upon the example of King Jehoshaphat who - before Judah was besieged by a large coalition army - appointed singers to go ahead of the battalion giving thanks to God before he had received any benefit, consolation or victory. What unites these two forms of prayer is the virtue of humility - the turning away from self and the turning to God. It is the hallmark of all prayer and expressed most perfectly by Jesus on the cross who - having experienced the most cruel torments and heartache - did not seek glory for Himself but trusted in the Father's will. Whereas for Jesus there was no room to grow in humility for He was divine and perfect, for ourselves there is always an opportunity. At this time of the Church's year - as we come down from the celebration of Christmas and look forward to Lent - it is perhaps a time to reflect upon the question of in what way God is inviting us to become more humble like His Son. We will - on Monday week - gather in our Church to celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord in which we remember God Himself was brought for a ritual of redemption that He did not need; He did not resist being seen by others as less than He was. Mary and Joseph knew He was divine and yet they still brought Him to the Temple - they did not resist their child not experiencing the glory they knew He deserved. These truths might give us food for thought on how we can ask for God's grace to imitate the example of the Holy Family more perfectly. In which ways do we resist simply serving like Jesus?

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CONGRATULATIONS TO YOGI SUTTON: This Sunday Yogi Sutton will be made a Dame of St Gregory the Great by Canon Victor Darlington at the 12pm Mass. Yogi's Damehood is a recognition of the contribution she has made to the national Church particularly in the Catholic Association for Racial Justice. We give thanks for her commitment to forming both adults and children in the faith through catechesis and her steadfast support of the parish in so many different ways. Congratulations Yogi!!

SYCAMORE COURSE: Our course continues this Thursday at 7:30pm in the Hall. The topic will be Revelation: "A God Who Speaks". I am so grateful to our coordinators who are providing a genuinely wholesome experience for all who come. It is an opportunity to grow in knowledge of our faith, meet new people and learn from others' experiences. Why not give it a try? Do not worry if you have missed a session (or several) as you can catch up online with the short videos available by clicking [here](#).

SECOND COLLECTION: ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL: St George's Cathedral is the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Southwark, home to 175 parishes and over 50,000 Roman Catholics. The Cathedral does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support helps the Cathedral remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship.

SPARKS OF LIGHT: On Saturday 7th February - from 10:30am until 3:30pm we will open our doors and invite people in to light a candle (see poster below). All are welcome. If you would be willing to assist in any way please do let us know. See the posters in the porch for more information.

WARM SPACES RETURN: Our Justice and Peace Group have coordinated the return of our Hall becoming a Warm Space for people after the 10am and 12pm Masses. On certain weekends there will also be free health checks. All are welcome for some soup and bread and a warm welcome.

YOUNG ADULTS PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES WITH ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON: For those aged 18 to 35 it is possible to book yourself a place to go on pilgrimage to the shrine of Lourdes with our Archbishop. The pilgrimage will take place between 7th and 13th June and click [here](#) for more info.

PARISH BREAKFAST FAIR & SVP CAKE SALE: On Sunday 8th February after the morning Masses there will be our annual Parish Breakfast Fair. This is an opportunity for all to get to know about the different groups within the parish over a cup of tea and a croissant. Take the time to linger and discover more about how you can get involved in assisting with the different initiatives. There's also the opportunity to support the work of the SVP by purchasing home made cakes.

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT: It will be a great battle of wits but if - like me - you don't have much wit (and are hopeless at Quizzes) it's really good fun and you can try some delicious cocktails from our much-loved parish mixologist. It will take place on the weekend of Laetare - Rejoicing - Sunday (an oasis within the Lenten desert) on Saturday 14th March. More information on booking a table will be available soon...

YOUTH GROUP DATES: Our Youth Group for children in year 6 and above has resumed and is on Sundays between 4pm and 5:45pm. This term our next Diocesan Youth Day takes place on Saturday 14th March and the residential Faith Summer Break is from Monday 10th to Thursday 13th August.