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SUNDAY 14TH MARCH 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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Saturday	13тн	10:00	Third Week of Lent		Dec'd Family of M.C.Kambabazi
SATURDAY	13th	18:00	Fourth Sunday of Lent Solemnity Katrina Fle		Katrina Fleming RIP
SUNDAY	14тн	08:30	Fourth Sunday of Lent Solemnity		
		10:00	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Solemnity	Pro Populo
		12:00	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Solemnity	M. C. Kambabazi's Family
Monday	15th		NO MASS		
TUESDAY	16тн	10:00	Fourth Week of Lent		Angele Falle
WEDNESDAY	17th	10:00	St. Patrick	Feast	For finding work
THURSDAY	18th	10:00	Fourth Week of Lent		Our Lady of Sorrows
Friday	19th	10:00	St Joseph	Solemnity	For an end to the Pandemic
Saturday	20th	10:00	Fourth Week of Lent		John Ferry RIP

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY: 5PM - 6PM IN THE HALL

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER: WEDS: 12-2 SAT: 4-6



We pray for George Rampersaud & all those who have died recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. We pray for Francoise Atta who is unwell and remember all who are sick at this time at home and especially those who are alone without the support of family. We pray for healthcare visitors and palliative care nurses who work in our community offering comfort - both physical and psychological - to those in distress. May God be with them to help them persevere!

Sarah Everard's murder has caused so much distress to so many and at this time we think - in particular - of her family whose grief and perplexity at what has happened is unimaginable. It has generated much discussion in the press about how unsafe women can feel when out at night; the worry of being attacked is real for many and particularly for all who have suffered abuse in any way. In contrast to the awful actions of certain men, this week we remember and celebrate the figure of St Joseph (a man of supreme virtue for the way in which he treated Our Lady). This feast always falls within Lent and St Joseph's presence in this season is a reminder to us of how sacrifice (which we are each invited to practice in some sense in these weeks) is the way in which we come to love perfectly. Joseph's love of Mary and Jesus meant his sacrificing the good of conjugal love which would ordinarily be experienced by husband and wife in marriage. He honoured Our Lady's role as Mother of God; cherished, respected, protected and promoted Her as Mother of us all. He is the model of manhood and fatherhood for loving his wife and child with a self-forgetful attentiveness: something he surely saw in the love of his wife. May he inspire each of us to be perfect lovers.

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PARISH NEWS

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE: Last Sunday we reflected on our need for God's forgiveness and I'm happy to announce we will gather for a brief Lenten Reconciliation Service on **Wednesday 24th March at 7pm in the Church**. You can book to attend via this link. There will be another priest present and Confessions will be heard - socially distanced - in the Church Hall and Sacristy. It will be an opportunity for us to join in communal worship of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, reflect on His message of mercy and come to experience it personally before Easter.

SATURDAY 13TH MARCH MASS - 10AM: This is fully booked for First Holy Communion families.

SANCTUARY PROJECT UPDATE: Our architects have investigated how the memorial to Fr Tom Henaghan could be realised within the budget of £70,000. The combined cost of their fees (£12,000), the reduced cost materials (£35,000) and building work (£33,320) amounts to **£93,984** (which includes the VAT of £13,664). We could apply to the Listed Places of Worship Grant scheme to reclaim the VAT but cannot be certain we will receive it. In light of our reduced income and the unpredictability caused by the current pandemic I do not feel it would be prudent to spend parish funds in this way at this time. I know this is very disappointing news and I am sorry that this is the case, however, - once our finances become more secure - I hope works can take place in 2022.

FR DERMOTT SPEAKS ON IGNATIAN PRAYER: The series of Lenten talks from St George's Cathedral Clergy continues this week with Fr Dermott speaking on Ignatian Prayer via YouTube.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ONLINE: In place of being able to gather for Stations of the Cross at this time I invite you to make your own Stations of the Cross every Friday. Last Lent I produced images of our beautiful stations and set them to reflections by Fr Dominic Allain and I invite you to make use of this resource again which is now on our website.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021: Parents of children who were to be catechised this year (in year 3 of primary school) can now apply for their child's enrolment on the programme. Please click here to access the online application form. Parents will be provided with resources to catechise their children at home and I will also give several sessions to parents on the subject. Details of the programme will follow by email but - pandemic permitting - we hope the children will be able to make their First Holy Communion before the end of the Summer term.

The deadline for receiving applications is Sunday 21st March 2021

WORSHIPPING SAFELY TOGETHER: <u>The Sunday obligation continues to be suspended and you</u> <u>are not obliged to come to Mass. If you are clinically vulnerable you should stay at home!</u>

WEEKDAY MORNING CHURCH OPENING, ADORATION AND MASS: Mass will be at 10am.

Mondays: Tuesdays to Fridays: Saturdays: Wednesdays Saturdays: CLOSED Adoration (**9am-10am**) No Adoration Private Prayer Private Prayer

Mass (**10am**) Mass (**10am**) 12-2pm 4-6pm