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Sixth Sunday of the Year

11th/12th February 2017

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 1: (Missal Page: 136): Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20; Psalm 118; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10;

Matthew 5:17-37

Next Week: – Seventh Sunday of the Year Page 139: Leviticus 19:2-1, 17-18; Psalm 102; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Matthew 5:38-48

Dear Friends

God's love for us challenges us to seek a deeper and inner kind of holiness. We are all pilgrims on our journey to God. We move closer to God when we show:

- A little more patience towards those with whom we live and work
- A little more humility so as to recognise God's work in our lives
- A little more common sense to take people as they are
- A little more strength to endure whatever disturbs our peace
- A little more cheerfulness so as not to show we are hurt
- A little more unselfishness to understand the thoughts and feelings of others
- A little more prayerfulness to draw us closer to God

In the Gospel today Jesus is calling us to become holy as God our Father is holy. May we keep on opening our hearts to the Spirit of God's love and have something of the life-giving quality of Jesus himself, so that our choices will always be rooted in love.

FR. JOHN

Sunday Mass: Saturday 6pm (Vigil Mass),

Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm (Polish) & 6pm

Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am

Saturday 12noon

Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am

Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays 10am

Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays 11am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) – Saturday
11am & 5pm**

BINGO NIGHT & SUPPER

Saturday 25th February in the Parish Centre 7.00pm. A good opportunity to come together to celebrate our new parish centre and to raise funds to pay for it. This is a family night so please come along for a fun evening before Lent begins. Adult tickets £5. – Children under 12 free. Tickets on sale this weekend

PARISH NOTICES

MARY'S MEALS THANK YOU

"A very big 'thank you' for allowing Mary's Meals to have its Rags to Riches collection last weekend. I am delighted to say that the parish managed to give 915kg (based on 183 bags given) of unwanted clothes; there were also cash donations of £526.69 making a **total contribution of £984.19**. Mary's Meals are very grateful to the parish for its support – this is a really good result! The amount raised will feed 70 children who will not only get fed one good, nutritious meal every school day for a whole year, but they will get an education too. Thank you once again". *Gerrard McMahon, Mary's Meals.*

PILGRIMAGES

HOLY LAND

There will be a meeting for all those going to the Holy Land on **Saturday 25th February at 12.45pm** in the Parish Centre.

LOURDES

West London Parishes pilgrimage by Coach to Lourdes from **Saturday 22nd July to Sunday 30th July**. Cost: £775.00 per person based on two sharing. Single supplement: £215 per person. Travel insurance: £36 per person. Pilgrimage will include 5 nights in Lourdes, overnight stays in Bourges, Ars and Reims. For more information and a booking form please contact Florie in the Parish Office.

CHOIR LOFT TIDY UP

There is to be a 'tidy-up' of the Choir Loft including the store room within the next few weeks. If anyone has items stored in the Loft and would like to keep it, please stick a sign to that effect. All items that are unmarked will be recycled.

FUNDRAISING

As part of our on-going fundraising for the new parish centre we would be very grateful for any unwanted items or gifts we could have as raffle prizes. Also many companies now have a charity budget as part of their social corporate responsibility, so perhaps you could ask your company for a gift voucher or donation towards fundraising. Perhaps you are a local business or trades person and could offer a gift voucher. All donations will be very gratefully accepted.

LENT CATECHESIS

We will be running a course during Lent called '**A Biblical Walk Through The Mass**'. This course is aimed at all those who would like to understand the Mass a little better and is also a great starting point if you are thinking about becoming a Catholic. Course will run for 5 weeks on Tuesday evenings **starting on 7th March** in the Parish Centre at 7pm. Parking will be available in the school car park.

OTHER

FELTHAM PONDS CLEAN UP VOLUNTEERS

There will be a Clean up and bulb planting event on **Sunday 19th February** from 10am to 12noon at Feltham Green Pond. Please see notice board for further information.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

All are invited to St Dunstan's Church, St Dunstan's Road, Feltham on **Friday March 3rd** at 2.30pm for a service to celebrate Women's World Day of Prayer. This year the Theme "*Am I Being Unfair to You*" has been prepared by the Christian women of the Philippines.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

A seven week Spirit filled Seminar with renowned International speakers at St Michael & Martin's Parish Hall, Bath Road, Hounslow TW3 2EB. Every Friday **from March 10 to April 21**, 7pm-9.30pm. Please see noticeboard for detailed programme.

MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS

As part of the season of prayer and action '*Called to Serve the Sick*', Bishop Paul McAleenan will celebrate a Mass for bereaved parents at Westminster Cathedral on **Saturday, 11th March at 2.30pm**. It's a time to remember, to pray, to give thanks, and to entrust deceased children to the Lord. All are welcome to attend. During Mass, after the homily, parents will be invited to write the name of their deceased child on a card and the cards will be taken along with the offertory to the sanctuary.

ANNUAL MASS IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Mass for Matrimony will take place on **Saturday 3rd June 2017** at 3.00pm. The Archbishop will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their **10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60)** wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2017. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give Florie in the Parish Office the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email) by the **10th March 2016**.

REST IN PEACE

MARY BROWNLIE RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Brownlie who died recently. Requiem Mass to be arranged. Please also keep in your prayers her family and friends who mourn her.

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

4th/5th February: Envelopes £1,092.66; Loose: £1,028.77
Standing Orders: £665.00 **Total: £2,786.43**

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE:

Money banked as at 07/02/2017 = £95,542.92

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 11 th	11.00- 11.30 11.45 12.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Alex Soares RIP Sacrament of Reconciliation Maurice Walsh RIP (Anniversary)
Sun 12 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Eryln Fernandes in Birthday Thanksgiving Eamon O'Brien RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Mon 13 th	09.30	Celebrants Intention
Tues 14 th	09.30	Valentino Dias RIP
Wed 15 th	09.30	Anthea Carstens (Intention)
Thurs 16 th	09.30	Theresa Mullan RIP
Fri 17 th	09.30	Kenneth John Marchant RIP
Sat 18 th	11.00- 11.30 11.45 12.00 12.45 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Christina & Augustine Stackpoole RIP Baptisms of Eric Redman Arroyo, Elena Sasso and Leon Aathur Abbott Sacrament of Reconciliation The Intentions of the Power Family
Sun 19 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Desmond Reghelini RIP People of the Parish Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Sebastian Floriano Pereira (Intention)
Sanctuary Lamp: Harry Haldane RIP		