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10th March 2024: 4th Sunday of Lent (Yr B)

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St Teresa's church is monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and SS John Fisher & Thomas More. These can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

Services	for the	forthcoming	week
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Saturday 9th March Vigil: 4th Sunday 6pm (SSJFTM) Elizabeth Rees RIP

Sunday 10th March 4th Sunday 8.30am (SSJFTM) Ann & Geraldine Murphy RIP (Ann)

Of Lent 10am (St T) Guadalupe Quesada RIP

Noon (St T) Ciso Domonici RIP

Monday 11th March Lent Feria 9.15am (St T) Nick Todd (Int)

Triangley 10th March Lent Feria 9.15am (St T) Fr Mighael Delay (Int)

Tuesday 12th March Lent Feria 9.15am (St T) Fr Michael Daley (Int)

Wednesday 13th March No Mass

Thursday 14th March Lent Feria. 9.15am (St T) Sean Kennedy (Int) Friday 15th March Lent Feria 9.15am (St T) Lilly Pinto RIP Saturday 16th March Vigil: 5th Sunday 6pm (SSJFTM) Emily Clarke RIP

Confessions: Saturdays 11am at St Teresa's & 5pm at SS John Fisher & Thomas More

Rosary after Mass on Tuesdays

Stations of the Cross, Fridays during Lent, after 9.15am Mass & at 6pm

Liturgy of the Word - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning;

exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Responsorial Psalm:

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

God loved the world so much that he gave his only son;

everyone who believes in him has eternal life.

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Next Sunday Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 50:3-4,12-15 resp. v12, Hebrews 5:7-9, John 12:20-30

Fr Jude writes: "LAUTARE SUNDAY AND THE JOY OF PRIESTLY WITNESSING"

During the past week, the Cardinal of the Archdiocese of Westminster sent a very encouraging letter to his priests. In that letter, he captured a sentiment which resonates with the theme of today's Sunday. He said he had been touched by the response given by a priest when he was simply asked what was the best and most enjoyable aspect of his priestly ministry? In the words of the Cardinal "the priest without any hesitation replied: 'Celebrating Mass with the people of the parish.' He went on: 'What can be more joyful, more satisfying than knowing that I am able to bring the real, living presence of our Blessed Lord into their hearts and lives. Only a priest brings the fullness of that sacramental gift! That is my joy.' "The Cardinal refers to this attitude of loving and cherishing the priestly life in this way as far from being clerical, but priestly. In his exact words: "It is priestly to love and cherish this life and to rejoice in the bonds that it creates between us...it is priestliness and it is beautiful", he says.

In this regard, something significantly beautiful and joyful happened at our dear Catholic parishes of Borehamwood and Borehamwood North last week. St. Teresa and SS John Fisher & Thomas Moore Catholic Parishes were graced from the 1st day of March with the arrival of two Spiritan Priests: Frs Jude and Fidelis to continue in the joyful witnessing to the presence of the risen Christ among his people as Fr Dominic McKenna of blessed memory had done among the faithful here, before he was called by the Lord to Himself. We have come among you as servants with the joy that the Gospel offers. We were overwhelmed by the joyful hospitality we received and we pray that we, as a watchful and praying community, will continue in the words of St Teresa of Calcutta to do something beautiful for God, and in the words of our patroness, St Teresa of the Child Jesus, "spending our heaven on earth doing good", as God's work of art created for the good works we have been fashioned for (Ephesians 2:10).

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,885
Totals for last two weeks:

Loose Plate £636 Envelopes £346

Contactless £626

Total for weekends 18th & 25th February £1,608

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 23-24 PROGRAMME



Next meeting will be at Thursday 18th April at St Teresa's School. We will be using the same "slot" system and timings as before. Parents please stay with your children rather than drop off & return.

CONFIRMATION 23-24 PROGRAMME



The next meeting is Tuesday 19th March 6.30pm at St Teresa's CHURCH, answers to the sessions should have been sent in by now. Please send ASAP. We will also start preparation for this year's Rich Man Poor Man meal which will be on Saturday 20th April, with preparation the night before. Please make sure that date is in your diaries.

The Parish Office will be closed next week, Sue is on holiday, back Monday 18th March.







If you would prefer to give your offertory by contactless and you can't get to the machine, please use the QR code here which is for St Teresa's. You can also pay for pasta & pancake tickets, or repository via the QR code here, just select the option you want.



BAPTISMS: . Our baptisms take place on a Saturday afternoon, with a Rite of Welcome at your usual Mass the weekend before. They are individual ceremonies. If you would like your child to be baptised, please complete the registration form over the website

(under Sacraments) . You will also need to complete a Baptism Preparation Course, this are held on the first Saturday of every month at St Teresa's Church; -please register with the Parish Office beforehand . Please make sure your baptism date is arranged & confirmed by Sue before you invite guests!



Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony, Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25th May 2024 at 2:30pm. The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th

10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2024. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please contact Sue by Monday 8th April with the following details husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).



Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday at St Teresa's during Lent. They will be after Morning Mass and at again at 6pm,.



We are now able to keep St Teresa's open during the weekday. The church will be open from 8.30am until Fr Jude says the Angelus at 6pm. All are very welcome to come and join him

Święcenie pokarmów

Po angielsku, ale według polskiej tradycji Odbędzie się w Kościele St Teresa of the Child Jesus 291 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, WD6 1TG

W Wielką Sobotę (30 ego Marca) o godzinie 12.00



PRAYER BEFORE DISMISSAL

Go now, to our sisters and brothers unable to be with us for reasons of sickness and infirmity. Take to them from our celebration the word of God and Holy Communion, that they might share with us these signs of the Lord's goodness Amen

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son in the Eucharist. We now place before you all the sick and housebound of our parish, many who will be joining us via the Livestream today. As they share in this Eucharist with us, we pray that they may come to know the depth of your love for them and, the joy, the peace and healing of your presence. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen