

Intimations

Your charitable prayers are requested for...

Sick: If YOU would like to have someone mentioned here, first ask permission from the person (or next- of- kin) in writing [cf *General Data Protection Regulation*], and hand in to *Chapel House*. Rosemary Harris, Marie Wall, Eileen Reilly, Mary Taggart, Hugh Rae, Michael Griffin, Pat Brawley

And for the happy repose of the souls of...

Recently Dead: Catherine Caffrey [*Croy-Kilsyth*; *Receive:* Wednesday 10th March at 9.55am *Funeral Mass* at 10am; family choose the 20 to attend], Grace Chalmers, Jim Marshall, Josephine MacDonough [*Stepps*], Gerald Harmon, Karolina Wizimirska (Birczak) [*Poland*]

Month's Mind Aidan McCall Hagan

Special Remembrance Jim Murphy, Bridget Christie

Anniversaries: Kathleen Rafferty Macdonald, Hugh Bradley, Peter MacArthur, Annie & John Bolan, Peter O'Donnell, Philip Friel, Maggie Paterson, Susannah, Charlie Csombo, Baby Tyler Stephen Farrell, Rose Dempsey, Frank Hale, Mrs Isabella Dailly Friel, Mrs Mary Brownlow Currie, Thomas & Maggie Murphy, Patrick Murphy, Alice Burns, Betty Taggart, Caterina Taggart, Tommy Taggart (*Snr*), Ina Scott, Hugh McCann

In the Good Company of...

Feast days Monday: *St David*; Tuesday: *St Chad*; Wednesday: *St Katherine Drexel*; Thursday: *St Casimir*; Friday: *St Kieran*; (Sunday: *Third Sunday of Lent [B]*)

Prayer on this Year of St Joseph (to be recited at end of *Mass* on Wednesdays, barring a funeral):

"Hail, *Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

To you *God* entrusted his only *Son*; in you *Mary* placed her trust; with you *Christ* became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen."

Act of Spiritual Communion When unable to attend *Holy Mass* you may wish to recite: "My *Jesus*, I believe that *You* are present in the most *Holy Sacrament of the Altar*. I love *You* above all things and I desire to receive *You* into my soul. Since I cannot now receive *You* sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart (*pause*)... I embrace *You* as if *You* were already there and unite myself wholly to *You*. Never permit me to be separated from *You*. Amen."

St Alphonsus Liguori



Holy Cross

27th / 28th February 2021

Second Sunday in Lent [B]

Gen 22: 1-2,9-13,15-18; Ps 115 "I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the Land of the living";
(Rom 8: 31-34); Mk 9: 2-10



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Clergy: Rev Fr Joseph Sullivan PVG Scheme renewed July 2017

COVID- 19 Church buildings are now closed to the public, except for occasions below

Baptisms only in emergencies, in which case anyone can baptise (usually *Midwife/ Doctor*) or see Fr Sullivan asap

Holy Mass Normally Streamed at 10am each day on *Parish YouTube Page* and *Parish Facebook Page* or via *Parish Website*

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Confession when urgent: at front door of *Chapel House*, through the window at the side (hopper window will be open & curtain down) after 10.30- 11am on Saturdays.

Anointing of & Holy Communion to the Sick, in emergency, contact the *Chapel House*.

Hospitals/ Care Homes have their own protocols, follow Instructions of Staff.

Weddings Legal Maximum 5; may be *live-streamed*; Masks and *Track & Trace* required.

Funerals Legal Maximum 20; may be *live-streamed*; Masks and *Track & Trace* required.

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal after streamed *Mass* on Tuesdays

Prayer during Year of St Joseph- to 8 Dec 2021: at the end of *Mass* on Wednesdays (*Indulgence*)

Bulletins & LARGE PRINT Bulletins safest to view on-line; either *Parish Website* or *Facebook Page*; also available at Door of *Chapel House* when visiting in necessity- use sanitised hands.

Parish Safeguarding: Tel: 07707868421/ 0759897660 or email: holycross.croy-psc@rcag.org.uk

Hall Bookings Closed at present but see Website for future, email: holycrosshall.croy@rcag.org.uk or *Hall Booking Secretary*, Tel 07555 983 418, Monday- Thursday between 8- 9pm; (in the "probable" Medium Term: 2 Households, Maximum 6 persons)

Protection of Vulnerable Groups Zoom training dates for volunteers for both *Induction Part 1* and *Induction Part 2*. Those who have applied or already have PVG must attend this mandatory training. To book: safeguardingadministrator@rcag.org.uk Spaces are limited for each session & joining instructions will be sent to those who book. *Induction Part 1*: Wednesday 10th March – 6pm. *Induction Part 2*: Monday 1st March – 7pm; Monday 8th March – 7pm; Monday 15th March – 7pm; Thursday 18th March – 7pm; Monday 22nd March – 7pm; Monday 29th March – 7pm

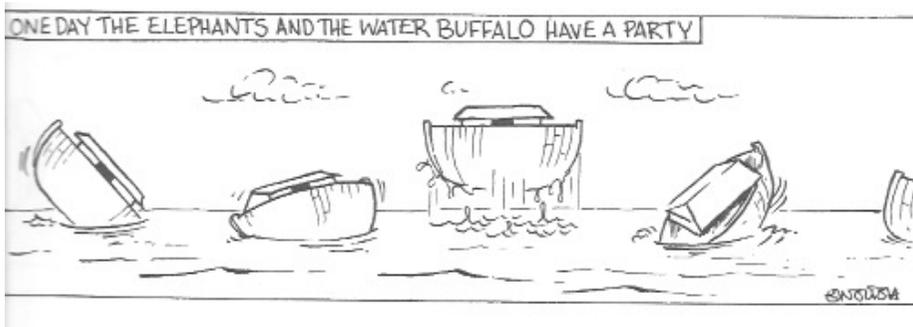
Vulnerable Groups include those in the womb and those at end of life. During Lent (and at all other times) please be careful about which charities you choose to support. Before choosing to support a charity try checking with SPUC at <https://www.spuc.org.uk/News/ArticleType/ArticleView/ArticleID/383589> As human beings, may we respect the right to life of every human person, from conception until natural death

Pope Francis in *Frattelli Tutti* puts it this way: A “throwaway” world. Some parts of our human family, it appears, can be readily sacrificed for the sake of others considered worthy of a carefree existence. Ultimately, “persons are no longer seen as a paramount value to be cared for and respected, especially when they are poor and disabled, ‘not yet useful’ – like the unborn, or ‘no longer needed’ – like the elderly. We have grown indifferent to all kinds of wastefulness, starting with the waste of food, which is deplorable in the extreme”.

19. A decline in the birthrate, which leads to the ageing of the population, together with the relegation of the elderly to a sad and lonely existence, is a subtle way of stating that it is all about us, that our individual concerns are the only thing that matters. In this way, “what is thrown away are not only food and dispensable objects, but often human beings themselves”. We have seen what happened with the elderly in certain places in our world as a result of the coronavirus. They did not have to die that way. Yet something similar had long been occurring during heat waves and in other situations: older people found themselves cruelly abandoned. We fail to realize that, by isolating the elderly and leaving them in the care of others without the closeness and concern of family members, we disfigure and impoverish the family itself. We also end up depriving young people of a necessary connection to their roots and a wisdom that the young cannot achieve on their own.

Finance For those who are able (without putting their own security at risk), could you consider a payment, automatically through your bank, or directly from your electronic banking to the parish account? Contact the *Chapel House* for Bank Account: holycross.croy@rcag.org.uk. To Donate “on-line” (via the *Archdiocese*) please visit www.mygivinghub.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086401&type=2&hidden_amount=&amount=&reference=RCAG181 Father Joe is deeply grateful for any help you can offer to keep the parish afloat.

Noah's Ark



Stations of the Cross *Plenary Indulgence* is available to all who devoutly make the *Stations of the Cross*: live-streamed here on Fridays after 10am Mass (barring a Funeral), courtesy of *Holy Cross Stream Team*.

On Saturdays there will be a link/ upload to the “*Children's Way of the Cross*” Visit <https://youtu.be/CfZkHel-Ics> or search “*Holy Cross, Croy*.”



First Reconciliation/ Confession As Primary 3 returns to class this week we are expecting *Sacramental Preparation for First Confession/ Reconciliation* to begin in earnest. An enrolment Form is available from the school for P3 Parents/ Carers. This should be completed and handed in to the school asap. Enrolment Service on Monday 1st March or Tuesday 2nd March or Thursday, 4th March at the times of 6pm- 8pm. The short *Enrolment Service* will be by Telephoning the Chapel House (01236 822 148). The *Enrolment* will last just a few minutes and you & your Parent/ Carer will be asked the usual questions: just say “I do.” Obviously there may well be many trying to get through at the same time. Please be patient, but remember, there are 3 evenings from which to choose.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation, decisions will be made regarding these once it is clear both when P4 and P7 return to Class and also when the Church Buildings are able to open & with what numbers. Thank you for your continued patience.

¿**Thinking about becoming a Roman Catholic?** *RCIA Group* will meet on Tuesday 16th March at 7.30pm through video- Conferencing. If you know of someone who is thinking about becoming an RC, bring this notice to their attention (& join them?). Contact *Chapel House* for Code & Password.

Fair-trade Parish we have been for the last 3 years so we (again) highlight *Fair-trade Fortnight* from Monday 22nd February until 7th March. The Covid 19 pandemic has shown more clearly than ever how interconnected everyone is globally- speaking. Choosing the *fair-trade* symbol allows shopping choices to drive change for communities who previously suffered from exploitation. More information available at fairtrade.org.uk

Dedication to St Joseph continues. 33 Days of the Hymn, then a short Reflection (from a parishioner or Fr Joe) and ending with the *Litany of St Joseph* will be uploaded each day on the parish *Facebook Page* (usually around midday). You may wish to join in a personal manner. If you would like to compose 5- 12 sentences on one of the attributes in *Litany of St Joseph*, please contact Fr Sullivan asap. The *Dedication* itself will take place on *St Joseph's Feast Day*, 19th March.

Justice & Peace Group meets on Monday 1st March at 7.30pm. Agenda includes: *Fair-trade Fortnight*, *Annual Report*, *COP26* and the (forgotten) War in *Yemen*. If willing & able to join them please contact the *Chapel House* for the Video Conferencing I.D. & Code.

Pioneer Total Abstinence please consider taking the *Short Term Pledge for Lent*. “I promise, in honour of the Sacred Heart & with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to abstain from all intoxicating drink until Easter Sunday.”

Kilsyth Community Board re *Miller Homes*. With regard to a *Proposal of Application Notice* received, the developer has confirmed their intention to hold a *Virtual Public Consultation Event* until 10th March 2021. Visit: www.constarryroad.co.uk