FEASTS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday: St Hilary

Wednesday: St Anthony, Abbot

Friday: St Wulstan Saturday: St Sebastian

PARISH DIARY

Tuesday 8.00pm: Parish Prayer Group Wednesday 8.00pm: Parish Men's Group

OFFERINGS

First collection Gift Aid £527.10 Loose £552.73 Retiring Collection Gift Aid £6.50 Loose £81.30

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Grace Gibbs, Simon Leo, Paul & June McMahon, Michael Boyle, Eileen Hurley, Elizabeth O'Daley, Ellen Basci, Joan Gallagher, Stephane Patten, John Sewter, Ryan Morison, Keith Fraser, Ronnie Xavier, Christopher Browne, Mary Wallace, Rosa Vitolo, Anna O'Brien and Brian Towler.

LATELY DEAD

Please pray for the repose of the soul Marie Elsey who died on 15th December. Her requiem will be on Tuesday 16th January at 11,00am. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. AMEN

ANNIVERSARIES

George Winnen, Charles Woogar, Alexander Paterson, Balbina Saiz Agudin, Kathleen McEnery, Mary Blythe, Ellen Crowley, Bridget Dodd, Sandra Ruff, Agnes Mary Hill, Caroline Duckett, Thomas Begley, Joanna Herd, Eileen Sagar, Cyril Jarvis, Rosario Stroud, Amber Rose Kijowski, Arthur Squires, James Coughlan, George Alexander Bergin, Winifred Frain, Ethel Finn, Joseph Coll, Michael Hart, Henry Heaton–Harris, James Burt, Madeline Gurney, William Hill, Marcella Sweeney, Patrick McDonagh, Joseph Ruddy, Frederick Burch, Umberto Milocco, Basil Gurney, Colin Alexander, Bruce Hickman, Eileen Mary Radnor, Peter McChrystal, Susan Prince, Patrick Walsh, Therese Currie, Peter Kearns, May East, Martin McDonagh, Una Reed, Liam Mullane, Mary Brice, Joseph Absalom, Eileen Ryan, James Milburn, James Gerald Torrens.

+++ May they rest in peace +++

World Meeting of Families - Dublin 21-26 August 2018

This event to be held in Dublin next August will have as its highlight a visit by Pope Francis. More details soon.



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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK		
Sunday 14th January 2018		
Second Sunday (B)		
Saturday	9.30am	Grace Anadappo RIP
	6.30pm	Balbina Saiz RIP
Sunday	9.00am	Arthur & Robin O'Connor RIP
	10.30am	People of the Parish
	6.30pm	Margella RIP
Monday	9.30am	Patricia Single RIP
Tuesday	No mass at 9.30pm	
	11.00am	Requiem Marie Elsey
Wednesday	9.30am	Intention of Daphne & Radka
Thursday	9.30am	School Year 2 mass
Friday	9.30am	Patricia McDonagh RIP
Saturday	9.30am	Edward & John Lovekyn & families RIP
	6.30pm	Wellbeing of Claire Westcott
Confessions:	Saturday 10.00-10.30am, 18.00-18.15pm and at call	
Exposition:	Saturday 10.00-10.30am	
Baptisms:	By previous arrangement	
Marriages:	Six months' notice required - Diocesan rule	

Today – **Sunday 14th January** is Peace Sunday on which we pray for peace in our world and celebrate Pope Francis' World Peace Day message "Migrants and Refugees – Seekers of Peace". The retiring collection will be for Pax Christi, the Catholic peace movement that promotes peace, respect of human rights, justice & reconciliation throughout the world

PARISH NOTICES

Parish Secretary

The parish has appointed Karin Rattray as Parish Secretary. She took up her post on Monday 8th January and will work from 9.30am to 2.00pm Monday to Friday. All those who play an active part in the parish are invited to meet her to explain their roles. Could all items for the parish newsletter please be copied to her at the parish email address (see front page of this newsletter).

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be observed from **Wednesday 18th to Wednesday 25th January**. During this week, we are called upon to pray particularly for reconciliation and unity between all Christians.

Burns Night Supper

Our annual Burns Night Supper will take place on **Friday 26th January** at **7.00pm** in the Cloister. Please sign up on the notice at the back of the church. The menu will comprise smoked salmon pate, haggis or sausages with vegetables, and dessert. The cost, not including alcohol, will be £10 per head.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Course

The RCIA course is intended for adults who are seeking to be baptised and for Christians baptised in another denomination who would like to become Catholics. If you fall into either of these categories please contact Fr Vitalis as soon as reasonably practicable so that he may put your name down to start the course in January. The Rite of Election will take place in February.

Parish Prayer Group

The **Parish Prayer Group** meets on Tuesdays at **8.00pm** in the church for rosary, prayer and intercession. All parishioners are most welcome to join us.

Parish Men's Group

The **Parish Men's Group** will meet on **Wednesday 17th January** from **8.00pm** at the Wych Elm for an evening of fellowship and conviviality, lubricated by an occasional pint. All the men of the parish are invited to join us.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is expected to take place in May. Further details will be made available soon.

Diocesan Directory

Copies of the Diocesan Directory for 2018 are now available at the back of the church. They cost £3.00 for a standard bound copy, £3.50 for a spiral bound copy. Please place the money in the publications box in the porch.

Job Opportunity

The Joel Community night shelter is looking for an organised and enthusiastic Grant and Community Fundraiser to join its staff team. *The role is part-time at a salary of £22-24k p.a. pro rata.* This is a role for raising funds through grant applications and local campaigns. The jobholder will also work closely with the Supporter Relations Coordinator to generate funds from local businesses and other organisations. See www.joelcommunityservices.org.uk or email us at info@joelcommunityservices.org.uk for a job application pack. The Application Deadline is 16th January 2018, 12 noon. Interviews will be held on 23rd January 2018 at St Peter's Church Hall, London Road, Kingston KT2 6QL.

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress

A national Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress has been scheduled to take place at Liverpool from **7th to 9th September 2018**. 10,000 people have been invited, including 570 delegates from Southwark Archdiocese (two per parish). If you are interested in representing St Agatha's, please notify Fr Vitalis. Loving God, help us to be open to the freshness of Your Spirit. Fill us with enthusiasm for the Good News. Invite us into a deeper relationship with Your Son, Jesus Christ, truly present in the Eucharist. Make us more aware of where there is need for new life. Help us to reach out to those who feel lost or abandoned, those who are searching, those who have walked away from You and those who are eager to know Your love. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Pilgrimage to Fatima

We are invited to join the St Joseph's, New Malden, pilgrimage to Fatima from Monday 28th May to Thursday 31st May 2018. This will be led by Fr Uche Njoku, the parish priest of St Joseph's. The cost is £490 per person based on a minimum of 30 passengers. The price includes Air Portugal flights from Heathrow, full board accommodation and transfers in Portugal. Booking forms are available from the St Joseph's parish office catholicnewmalden@icloud.com. For further details see the notice in the church porch.

Mass to pray for Beatification of Venerable Agnelo

On **Sunday 21st January** there will be a special mass at **2.00pm** at St John Fisher Church 207, Cannon Hill Lane SW20 9NQ to pray for the beatification of Venerable Agnelo followed by refreshments in the hall. All parishioners, especially those with any Goan connections, are invited to join this celebration. Please invite your friends and come along with a plate of food/drink for general sharing. Contact Rita Aguiar on 0208 542 0885 for further details.