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**The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer
and St. Thomas More
Cheyne Row, Chelsea**



Moses Receives the Law

Sunday 7th March: Third Sunday of Lent (B)

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday 8.00am

Saturday 10.00am

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6.30pm

Sunday 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, after 8.00am Mass

PLACES AT MASS

Given the need to comply with current Covid-19 restrictions, the number of people who can attend Mass here is significantly reduced. It is most important that parishioners contact the Parish Administrator to notify him which Mass they would like to attend. It may not be possible to admit to the church everyone who would like to attend Mass.

Confession – To make an appointment, please contact the Parish Priest

Morning Prayer – Monday to Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.45am

Evening Prayer – Saturday and Sunday 6.00pm

Newly arrived in the parish – Please complete the Parish Registration Form, available at our website: holyredeemerchelsea.com.

Mobile Phones – Please turn off all phones before entering the church.

Donations to the Parish can be made via: HSBC, Sort code: 40-05-20, Account no:91094386 Account name: Holy Redeemer Church, Chelsea.

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KEEP SAFE AND PLEASE REMEMBER

HANDS FACE SPACE

HANDS – Use the sanitiser provided

FACE – Wear a mask

SPACE – Keep a least 1 metre, better 2 metres, distance

COVID-19

Though the programme of vaccination seems to be going well, please do not give up on the precautions introduced to prevent the spread of the virus. Please remember that some of us are either more vulnerable than we might want to admit, and others have someone in their household who is still shielding. Optimism cannot excuse carelessness.

POPE FRANCIS IN IRAQ

If everything goes according to plan, Pope Francis is in Iraq this weekend. Friday afternoon is when he is scheduled to arrive in Baghdad and begin his stay with a courtesy visit to the President. Then he goes to meet other groups at the Syro-Catholic Cathedral. (Fact: there are at least five cathedrals in Baghdad, an indication of the role Christianity has played through the centuries in Iraq.) Saturday sees him visit the Shia Grand Ayatollah in Najaf, pray in the Plain of Ur and return to the capital to celebrate Mass in the Chaldean Cathedral. Sunday finds him in Kurdistan: visiting war-torn Mosul and Erbil, as well as the persecuted Christians of Qaraqosh. Let us pray that on Monday evening he will touch down at Rome's Ciampino airport, a tired traveller but safe.

LENT

A call to Prayer is clearly at the heart of the message of Lent. Jesus himself went out into the desert to pray. One way we can make space for prayer is to spend less time on, fast from, amusements such Computer, Video and TV. In Lent we think, not only of ourselves, but rather of seeing how we can help those around us, whether in London or in the global village. While not every person can volunteer to help, we can all make some gift, no matter how small, to help others.

STATION OF THE CROSS

In Lent our attention turns, like that of the disciples (Mt 20.18), to Jerusalem. At Easter, Jerusalem is the setting for the greatest drama in the history of mankind since the Creation. Not surprisingly it was the first centre for Christian pilgrimage, but for a variety of reasons it was always inaccessible to many. So devotion took the form of following in the footsteps of Jesus, not in the crowded streets of the Old City, but in Church. Join us on Friday morning, after Mass, as we tread the path of Christ to Calvary, or visit our Stations of the Cross privately on the parish website:
holyredeemerchelsea.com

FOOD FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE

A practical way to help, and one in which children can be involved, is to put donations of food in the box in the porch. The food should be non-perishable, in packets or tins. It will be distributed via Glass Door, a local charity. For more information see glassdoor.org.uk

STEWARDS

We are grateful to our Stewards, who have been making sure everything is safe for people to come to Mass. Are there any parishioners who would like to become Stewards? Only simple qualifications: parishioners, over 18 and under 70. For details, please phone Charles McFarland 07825 729205

CARDINAL'S LENT APPEAL

This year your donations will help fund initiatives in areas which are more critical than ever: **Marriage and Family Life, Youth and Evangelisation, Caritas and Schools**. Cardinal Nichols is asking us to think in particular about families who are struggling to put food on the table. Through your generosity we're continuing to provide food for people most in need. Please take a donation envelope. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. To find out more see CardinalsLentenAppeal.org.uk

PARISH NEWSLETTER

This Newsletter is available online at holyredeemerchelsea.com Receive this newsletter each week, just send your email address to chelsea2@rcdow.org.uk

TABLET WEBINAR

"Do women have a future in the Catholic Church?" Monday 8th March, 6.00pm to 7.00pm. To book your ticket visit: thetablet.co.uk/events

FR. JOE ARCHIBONG

As Fr. Joe is a missionary, he has to be ready to go wherever he is asked to go. So the call has come, and soon he is off to Johannesburg, South Africa. We will miss him, but he goes with our prayers.