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



SUNDAY MASS

Saturday evening 6.30pm Vigil Mass
10.00am Family Mass
11.00am Solemn Mass (Latin)
12.15pm Mass
6.30pm Mass

Newsletter 23rd February 2020

*Sunday 23rd February: SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Parish Mass Book page 139)*

ASH WEDNESDAY

“And pray to God to have mercy upon us
And pray that I may forget
These matters that with myself I too much discuss
Too much explain
Because I do not hope to turn again
Let these words answer
For what is done, not to be done again
May the judgement not be too heavy upon us.”

In this verse from his poem “Ash Wednesday”, T.S. Eliot is touching on Lenten themes of seeking God’s mercy, repentance (turning away from sin) and our reluctance to change. Even if we cannot admit what we have done wrong, we can at least begin by admitting that we have done wrong. This is significance of our being blessed with ashes on Ash Wednesday. It is the first step in our Lenten journey.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Monday, Tuesday 8.00am

ASH WEDNESDAY

Mass (with imposition of Ashes): 8.00am and 6.30pm

Thursday, Friday 8.00am

Saturday 10.00am

Confession: Saturday 10.30am - 11.00am, 5.30pm - 6.00pm

Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.30am, Sunday 9.30am

Evening Prayer: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 6.00pm

Newcomers Please introduce yourselves and complete and return to the Rectory a parish registration form, available in the church porch or on our website.

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.

Text donation: Text ‘PARISH CHELS’ to 70800 to donate £5 to this parish.
Thank you

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LENTEN FAITH GROUP

This year's Lenten Small Faith Group programme is entitled 'A Word for Lent' and focuses upon Sacred Scripture and Sacred Art to take us through a Lenten Journey, a journey of seeing salvation through the eyes of Gospel men and women. The programme will comprise six sessions each on a Tuesday evening commencing on 10th March and held within the parish. For further enquires please contact Charles McFarland - 020 8767 7132.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year's World Day of Prayer service (formerly World Women Day of Prayer) will be celebrated at St Mary the Boltons, SW10 9TB, on Friday 6th March, 11.00am-Noon. Service followed by refreshments.

This year the theme is 'Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk'

It has been prepared by the people of Zimbabwe and will be presented by representatives from twelve churches in the Borough. All are welcome.

CAFOD FAST DAY

This year the CAFOD Family Fast Day is Friday 6th March. As we begin Lent, a time of prayer and fasting, we might think of a particular way in which we can show our solidarity with those for whom obtaining enough food is never easy.

THE LAURELS

The Laurels, nearby on Chelsea Embankment, is an Independent School with a Catholic ethos for girls (11 to 18). There is an Open Day on Saturday 7th March from 12noon to 2.00pm. For further information: TheLaurelsSchool.org.uk. The 2019 GCSE results put The Laurels in the top ten small independent schools.

AMPLEFORTH

Ampleforth College is hosting an Open Morning on Saturday 7th March. Meet the students, talk to the teachers, take a guided tour of the campus and see lessons. To book a place go to ampleforth.org.uk/college/events or phone 01439 741087.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PEACE FORUM

Saturday 14th March from 10.30am to 12.30pm at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QN. Focus: Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking. With speakers involved in helping trafficked people, and looking to see what more can be done. The Forum will be led by Bishop Paul McAleenan and Bishop Nicholas Hudson.

PETER'S WAY OF THE CROSS

Performed by the Choir of Westminster Diocese Lourdes Pilgrimage and with actors from the Catholic Association for the Performing Arts. Thursday 12th March at 7.30pm in Westminster Cathedral SW1P 1LT. Admission free. Donations to Westminster Diocese Lourdes Pilgrimage.

DOWRY OF MARY

In preparation for the rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary, the statue of Our Lady from the Slipper Chapel in Walsingham will visit Westminster Cathedral from 19th to 22nd March. Details: dowrytour.org.uk. Walsingham, a beautiful little village in Norfolk, is the home of the Catholic National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady. The Shrine was originally established in 1061.

LANDINGS

Landings brings together small groups of Catholics who have been away from the Church for a while and would like to reconnect with their faith. The lay-led meetings are accepting, confidential and enriching. Nothing is needed but an open heart and a readiness to listen. To find out more about Landings please contact Ruby Almeida at landings.london@gmail.com or check out landings@rcdow.org.uk.

CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP RETREAT

An opportunity for young Catholics to explore what it means to be a leader. Guest speakers cover topics such as resilience, effective time management, identity and peer to peer impact. Saturday 7th March, 10.00am to 4.00pm at SPEC Retreat Centre, Waxwell Lane HA5 3EP. Limited spaces, to book by email: spec@rcdow.org.uk or call 020 3757 2500. Suggested donation £25, includes lunch.

VISITING

A warm welcome to all our visitors. We hope you enjoy your stay. Please tell your friends where we are and encourage them to be sure to visit this lovely church, one of the hidden gems of Chelsea, when they come on a trip to London. For more information about our parish, have a look at our parish website: holyredeemerchelsea.com.

THANKSGIVING FOR MATRIMONY

Once again, this year our Archbishop, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, would like to invite members of this diocese who in 2020 are celebrating a 5th, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage to a Thanksgiving Mass on Saturday 30th May at 3.00pm in Westminster Cathedral. To ensure you receive an invitation, please send our Parish Administrator your names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number if no email). Please do this

before Monday 23rd March. This is a wonderful occasion to celebrate the gift of love lived by married couples.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

If any parents would like their children to join the children in the Children's Liturgy group, they are invited to take them downstairs to the Monckton room before the start of the 10.00am Mass. Parents are welcome to stay with their children to make sure they are happy. However, some children settle sooner without their parents present.

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YOUNG CITY CATHOLICS

Young City Catholics@ St. Mary Moorfields (YCC), a group of Catholic young professionals in their twenties and thirties working in the City of London and Canary Wharf, For more details: ycc-london.co.uk or email to info@ycc-london.co.uk.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

A healing weekend for men and women who are separated, divorced or widowed will be held from 3rd to 5th April 2020 at the Domus Maria Centre, Chigwell, Essex. For details please contact Freda 01322 838 415 or Maura 01322 551 503 or email johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk

SAINT ANTHONY COMMUNICATIONS

For a good selection of books, DVDs and CDs on Catholic topics such as Prayer, Theology and the Sacraments, see: saintant.com.