

I'd Like the people of heaven to gather
 From all the parishes around.
 I'd give a special welcome to the women,
 The three Marys of great renown
 I'd sit with the men, the women and God
 There by the lake of beer.
 We'd be drinking good health forever
 And every drop would be a prayer.
 Prayer of St Brigid (11th Century)

Mary a Contemporary Prophet

A retreat presented by Fr Selvam OMI and the Partners in Mission Team. On Saturday 25th March from 10am –5.30pm in the Parish Hall of Immaculate Heart of Mary, Stafford Road, West Kilburn. Tea & Coffee will be provided but please bring a pack lunch. For more information please contact Kirk Jacob on 020 624 7296 or email kirk.oblate.partners@gmail.com

Do not swear, do not swear by the sod
 on which you stand; a short time you'll be
 on it, a long time you'll be underneath it.
 Ancient Irish Poem

Easter Novena Cards are available from the parish office. All names on the Novena list will be prayed for from 16th - 22nd April at every Mass.

Experience is simply the name we give
 our mistakes.
 Oscar Wilde

Mazenod Social Club

020 7624 5517
 Manager: Anna Redmond
 Assistant Manager: Mags Conway

Weekly events

Monday:

The Ballroom of Romance from 8.30pm to 11.30pm. Adult Social dancing

Tuesday:

25 Card School in Lounge
 Salsa: 8-11pm. Lessons 8-9pm

Wed:

Pensioners Advisory Service 10 – 1pm.
 Please arrive by 11am. Doors close at 12.

Friday:

Salsa Party – 1st Friday of month
 Line Dancing – 2nd Friday of month

Music Every Saturday & Monday Night
 Sat 11th March
 Trad Session in Lounge from 9pm

Monday 13th March
 Ballroom of Romance with Tom Healy

St. Patricks Weekend

Friday 17th March

Open at Noon
 Bacon & Cabbage/Irish Stew served
 £5 per person
 The Wexford Latchico in Lounge 3-6pm
 Anton & Lyn in Lounge 7.30-10.30pm
 McGinty in Hall from 8.30pm. Tickets: £7



Saturday 18th March

Saoirse in Lounge from 9.30pm



Sunday 19th March

The Ballindaggin Pipe Band from Co. Wexford in Hall, followed by Slim & Ray On The Tear from 7pm - Free Admission



Sacred Heart Church

Newsletter for 12th March 2017.

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St Patrick

Patrick had no reason to like the Irish. At the age of fifteen he was robbed from his home and sold as a slave—he was trafficked.

He managed to escape and return home. God called and Patrick answered by coming back with the “Good News” - “All are known and loved by God”

For Patrick faith was knowing Christ and not knowing about him or the teaching of the Church—system of beliefs that filled his head.

Faith was a sensing of **Christ, behind, before, within, Christ on my left, Christ on my Right.**

Slavery Today: The United Nations reports that there are between “twenty seven to thirty million” slaves in the world. Patrick wrote to the Coroticus who was a slave trader “ You hand over members of Christ to what could be called a brothel”, you have committed a murder against the brothers and sisters of Christ”.

We celebrate Patrick not just with green beer, green beards, green hats and green rivers. We celebrate Patrick by imitating his life and remembering the men, women and children, the frightened, the desperate—who in Patricks words are “ treated like aliens”.

Slaves may be living next door to us and walking on our streets on this St Patrick’s Day.

St Patricks Day

The times of the Masses on Saint Patrick’s Day will be at **10am & 12 noon**. We are pleased to welcome the staff and children from St Mary’s School to the Mass who have prepared the liturgy.



Carpenter from Nazareth seeks Joiners

Have you ever considered the call of the Carpenter from Nazareth?
 The Oblates of Mary Immaculate are hosting a discernment weekend in their Retreat Centre, 62 Chamber Street, Tower Hill, London on Friday 31st March to Sunday 2nd April for those who may wish to explore more deeply where God may be calling them.

For more information, please contact Fr John McFadden OMI at Sacred Heart Church 020 7624 1701, email j.mcfadden@oblates.co.uk or speak with your local Oblate.



Stations of the Cross

During Lent we will have stations of the Cross every Friday at **10.30am and 7pm**.

Funeral Notices

Helena Kukielka West Herts Crematorium on Friday 17th March at 1pm

Brendan Gilbride late of Broadhurst Close. Funeral Mass Wednesday 15th March at 12.15pm, following onto West London Crematorium at 1.30pm

Bernard Lucas late of Ainsworth House, Boundary Road. Funeral Mass Thursday 16th March at 12.15pm, following onto Hampstead Cemetery at 1.30pm

Death Announcement

Thomas (Gus) McGrath late of Messina Avenue. Funeral arrangements to be announced.

The Sacrament of Baptism

If you wish to discuss your child's baptism, please call to the Parish Office on any **Thursday morning** and speak with Sr. Lucilla. The preparation class is always on the first Monday of the month with Ann & Fr. Terry.



Please note there will be No Preparation class in April. We Welcome into the Church through the sacrament of Baptism **Patrick Andre Storm Carney, Cairo Edward Locksely Gray & Nathan James Velosa Cleary.** At the 12.30pm Mass today we have the welcome Rite for the Sacrament of Baptism. Please keep the families of those to be baptised in your prayers.



Please pray for the **8** adults in our **RCIA Programme** who are discerning about joining the Catholic Church as full members this Easter.



Today we welcome **Bishop Nicholas Hudson** back to join us. He will be meeting the Confirmation Candidates and the RCIA Group in the School Hall at 11am and then he will preside at the Family Mass at 12.30pm

A lovely Church, a home for God
Bedecked with linen fine,
Where over the white Gospel page,
The Gospel candles shine
Manchan of Offaly



Taizé Prayer around the Cross during Lent

Taizé style prayer around the Cross begins on Tuesday 7th March at 7pm in the church and will continue at the same time on 14th, 21st, 28th March and 4th April. We will sing some simple chants, hear a Gospel reading and spend a short time in silence. All are welcome to join us and take the opportunity to spend some time in preparation for the Easter mystery.

**'Stay with me, Remain here with me,
Watch and Pray....'**

Lenten Parish Retreat

All are welcome to join Brother Michael Moore OMI for our Lenten Parish Retreat on Sunday 2nd April between 2pm & 5pm in the Church.

Parish Reconciliation Service

All are welcome to join us on Wednesday 12th April at 7pm in the Church for our Parish Reconciliation Service.

Young at Heart Club

The **Young at Heart Club** will be travelling to the Irish Centre on Friday for our St Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance. Members are asked to make their own way over to Camden Town for this function. Doors open at 12.30 and lunch will be served at 1pm.

Parish Creche

The **Parish Crèche** will be meeting on Monday at 9.30am and walking around to Hullabaloo Play Centre on West End Lane. Please come

Credit Union

The hours of the **Credit Union** have changed. Monday from 6.30pm-8.30pm Tuesday from 9.15am-11.15am and Saturdays from 2pm-3.30pm. Have you ever considered becoming a member of the credit Union? It is a great way to save and a very cheap way to borrow. Please call in and have a chat with one of our volunteers on Tuesday mornings in the Parish House. There are letters available at the back of the church inviting you to join us.

Want to Worry Less About Money

Do you have **money worries**? Do you want an opportunity to talk to someone in confidence about these matters? If so, why not call into the Parish House on Tuesday mornings from 9.15 till noon and talk to John or Pat

Quex Youth Club

Quex Youth Club meets every Friday in St Eugene's School Hall. It is open to all young people of Secondary School age. We meet from 7pm till 8.30pm

Support with Mental Health Issues

Do you live with a child or a teenager with **mental health** issues? If so, why not pop into the parish house every Thursday from 11 till 1pm to our drop in centre.

The **Porch Project** is open every Thursday from 5.30pm—9pm in the back of Parish House. If you know of anybody that is rough sleeping or homeless, please ask them to come along and join us any Thursday at the room at the back of the Parish House.



Free **English classes** take place every Tuesday from 10am at 14a Quex Road.

We are planning a **Parish Family day out** to the seaside on 23rd July. Are you interested in joining us? We will leave around 8am, arrive at Clacton, celebrate Mass, and have a picnic, with time at the seaside and the funfair. If you would like to come as a FAMILY, please contact Fr Terry. **No** children are allowed without their own parents!

Our next **Parish Dinner** will be held at the Villa Ronel Restaurant on 18th March at 7.30pm. The cost of a three course meal is £12.00. Places are limited, therefore please book early. There will also be a disco afterwards

**An rud nach fiu e a lorg, ni fiu l a fhail
(what is not worth seeking, is not worth finding)**

Irish Proverb

Many thanks to all those who donate foodstuffs to the Heart appeal at the front of the church.



The position of the Heart has changed. It is now at the centre of the church close to the offertory table. This week we are asking for donations of toiletries that can be given out to the homeless in the porch project and also at Ashford Place on Sunday evening.

Collections

Collection on Sunday 5th March **£3120.00**

Second Collection for CAFOD £2552.00

Please return your **CAFOD Family Fast Day** envelopes to the Parish House during the week or in the basket this weekend. Many thanks to all those who supported this very worthwhile cause.

Thank you for your continued support of the Diocese and our Parish

Gift Aid Boxes

The new boxes for gift aid tax year 2017/2018 will be given out at the back of the Church before and after Mass next weekend Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th March. Thank you for your contributions