



**St Francis de Sales  
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**Registered Charity Number 246871**

Sat 16 Feb	10 am 6 pm Vigil Mass	Confession SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	George Benzie R.I.P.
Sun 17 Feb	10 am Mass		For the Parish
Tues 19 Feb	11 AM Mass	Funeral Mass	Vivian Wiltshire R.I.P.
Wed 20 Feb	9 am Mass	Feria	Eudes Coutinho R.I.P.
Thurs 21 Feb	9 am Mass	St Peter Damian	
	9.30 am - 10.30 am	Adoration	
Sat 23 Feb	10 am 6pm Vigil Mass	Confession SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Robin Horscroft R.I.P.
Sun 24 Feb	10 am Mass		For the Parish

### **DIARY DATES**

Sun 17 Feb – Racial Justice Sunday  
– Music Group  
– Farewell to Jim Kay

Wed 6 Mar – Mass at 9am & 7.30pm - **Ash Wednesday**

Fri 15 Mar – CAFOD Family Fast Day

Mon 15 April – Penitential Service – 7.30pm –  
**St Joseph's Church**

**RIP: VIVIAN WILSHIRE - Funeral Mass** on  
Tuesday 19th February at 11a.m.

### **Pope's intention for February**

**For a generous welcome of victims  
of human trafficking, of enforced  
prostitution, and of violence.**

**Stations of the Cross** take place on Fridays in  
Lent, followed by **refreshments** and a talk by  
various speakers each week. See poster.

### **From the Parish Priest**

We are gently moving towards the great seasons of Lent and Easter. It is a time filled with many themes and spiritual surprises. I like to think that Lent is a great time to explore; to explore our spiritual life and our attitudes; to take a stock-take of how we are progressing in our personal journey towards the Kingdom of Heaven. To help us think about these things, there will be a series of Speakers before and during Lent. Fr John Cooke will be with us on 3rd of March to help us focus on vocation and during Lent, we have some really interesting speakers covering some radical and controversial issues. Try to come along to some of the talks after Stations of the Cross on Fridays in Lent - you may be encouraged by the "God of Surprises!"

*Fr Bruce*

**HOUSE MASSES IN LENT** - Wednesdays at 7.30pm. I am thankful for those who have offered their homes for Mass. If you would like to attend, please just tick the column on the Mass list in the porch up to the capacity given.

### **HYMNS FOR SUNDAY**

**Ent: Blessed are My people says the Lord  
Kyrie: Taize**

**Gloria: Mass of the New Celtic Saints**

**Alleluia: 51 Halle, halle Off: 640**

**Mass Setting: T & R Cobb**

**Comm: El alma que anda en amore, 157**

**Rec: 757**

**or My hands have been blessed**

## **NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**CTNA AGM** – 24 Feb – 6-8pm – St Nicholas

**CAFOD** Tues 5 March at St Joseph's Church, Kezia Harrow, talking about CAFOD projects in the Holy Land. 7:15pm till 9pm.

**Eucharistic Ministers Training** Saturdays 9th, 16th and 23rd March 10.00 - 12.00. Please speak with Fr. Bruce or to Francis (40968) for further information.

**Lent preparation for all primary age children** on Sunday 10th March beginning after Mass and finishing at 3.30 pm. There is a cost of £5 per family in advance to help pay for craft materials. Volunteers to help run the day are most welcome. Sign up forms available after each Mass.

**The Foodbank** urgently need the following: Self-raising flour 500 g and Sunflower oil 500 ml. The following items are low in stock: Stock cubes, chicken, beef & vegetable; Kitchen roll

**West Berkshire Homeless Shelter** in West Street (near MacDonald's) is now open and provides shelter to those not fortunate enough to have a place of their own. Volunteers are needed for two shifts each evening / night; the evening shift is 18:00 – 22:00 and the night shift is 21:45 – 08:30. We need more helpers so that the load on those we have is not so onerous. If you can help at all, please contact Martha Vickers on 01635 230046 or Eleanor Mullens on 01635 254700 who can tell you more of what is involved.

**NEW HOUSES and NEW RESIDENTS in the PARISH** If you notice a new resident moving into your street or new housing being built near you, please let Fr Bruce know by contacting the Parish Office. This will enable the Parish to welcome the new residents by sending a card of welcome.

**Registration Forms:** If you have not registered as a member of the Parish, please take a form from the box file in the porch and return it to the Parish Office. Alternatively, email the Office and an electronic form can be sent out to you.

**Andrew Pollard** will be running the Palace Half Marathon in support of The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity on 17<sup>th</sup> March. Any donations can be given here: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/teampanda-halfmarathon>



Thank you for your generosity over the past year. Please see below for how much money we have paid out.

### **MONEY TAKEN IN COLLECTIONS IN 2018**

Clergy Training Fund	143.95
Home Mission Sunday	210.83
Missio (Red boxes)	294.07
CAFOD	326.77
Cathedral	195.60
Foreign Missions	382.25
Bamenda	319.32
Crib Collection	201.17
Clergy Assistance Fund	247.28
Holy Places	261.29
World Communications	195.33
Peter's Pence	224.55
Apostleship of the Sea	416.94
Day for Life	245.73
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3664.98</b>

### **MONEY GIVEN TO J&P CHARITIES IN 2018**

Fairclose Centre	870
Intercare	1220
Aid to the Church in Need	580
Orphanage in Mexico	750
CAFOD	400
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3820.00</b>

**Bookings for Hall and Parish Rooms** MUST be confirmed with Maureen Hudd, even for parish events and meetings, tel 30108 or email [Maureen.hudd@btinternet.com](mailto:Maureen.hudd@btinternet.com)

### **WELCOMING:**

**Sat 23 Feb:** Angela Spellman

**Sun 24 Feb:** Dykes & Brown families

### **CLEANERS:**

**Fri 22 Feb:** Sue Mangham, Margaret McGuire, Jan Preston & Ann Woolley

### **COUNTERS:**

**Sun 17 Feb:** Paul Cobb & Ann Woolley