HOLY CROSS PRIORY CHURCH



SUNDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2016

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C

WELCOME TO OUR NEW LOOK!

You will see that we have given a fresh look to our newsletter. We hope you like it! All the usual information and updates are still here! Don't forget that you can also find out what is going on by logging on to our Parish website:

www.holycrossleicester.org.uk or by following us on Facebook: Holy Cross Priory (Dominicans) – just click **'like'** and you will get all the latest updates from us in your newsfeed.

PARISH SHOP

The latest issue of *Friars Preachers*, the newsletter of the English Province of the Order of Preachers is available, free of charge, from the shop. *The shop is open after the* 12.30pm Masses during the week, on Saturdays from 11am until after the 12.30pm Mass, and after every Sunday Mass. The shop is in the room beyond the sacristy.

LEICESTER CITY OF SANCTUARY

We at Holy Cross are very proud of our partnership with Leicester City of Sanctuary. This organisation helps refugees and asylum seekers feel welcome - and also helps them help themselves. The weekly drop-in here each Wednesday at Holy Cross offers a social space where asylum seekers can enjoy a hot meal and make friends. LCoS now has the opportunity to get a substantial grant for a new project which will allow the asylum seekers to do more for each other, and for the local community. They want to set up their own classes and services to help themselves and others. They want to volunteer more widely in the local community. And that's the idea behind the project, giving them the chance to use their skills to do something useful. You can help get the funding for this project - please visit their website for more information or contact cj.mottram@ntlworld.com.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- This Wednesday, 24
 Feb, Station Mass at St Joseph's, 7:30pm
- Tues 1 March, 7pm Bishop Patrick for Penitential Service
- Wed 2 March Station Mass here at 7.30pm
- Wed 9 March Organ Recital by Mr Thomas Keogh at 7.30pm
- Sunday 13 March St Patrick's Day Parade after 10:30am Mass
- Thurs 17 March Mass at St Patrick's Beaumont Leys with Bishop Patrick
- Palm Sunday 20 March
- Easter Sunday 27 March

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you wish to have your child baptised, please attend one of our baptism preparation sessions. The next is Sunday 6 March after the 10:30am Mass in St Clement's Hall.

HOLY DOOR @ HOLY CROSS

Each Sunday during Lent we welcome a different group of pilgrims to the Holy Door to reflect on our need for God's Mercy. This week, we welcome **married and engaged pilgrims** to reflect on the mercy they show to each other and the grace they express in their lives. There will be prayers and a blessing given at the 10:30am Mass.

Next Sunday, we will turn our focus to the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, and we will begin our 10:30am Mass with a procession from the Hall into Church via the Holy Door. This is an opportunity to reflect on our need for the mercy that is expressed in an intimate way in this Sacrament. There will be the extra opportunity for Confession next Sunday.

Leaflets regarding the Plenary Indulgence attached to the Pilgrimage are available.

LENT @ HOLY CROSS

Each Wednesday and Friday, Stations of the Cross following the 12:30pm Mass. *Lectio Divina*, the prayerful study of Scripture, takes place each Friday of Lent at 7:15pm

ST CLEMENT'S HALL

We are sorry to report that during the last week, St Clement's Hall was vandalised, and so it is currently out of bounds. It was renovated with great enthusiasm several years ago, and so it is especially unfortunate that this has happened.

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY

Each Saturday, students from both universities gather after the **6:10pm Vigil Mass** for fellowship and social events celebrating our faith. Please join us!

THE DOMINICAN COMMUNITY

Fr David Rocks OP PP *Prior*; Fr. Isidore Clarke OP; Fr. Fabian Radcliffe OP; Fr. Neil Ferguson OP; Fr Thomas Crean OP; Fr Gregory Murphy OP; Fr. Robert Gay OP CC *Subprior*, *Bursar*.

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For more details visit: www.holycrossleicester.org

MASS TIMES

Sundays: 8am; 10:30am (sung); 12:30pm (old rite); 7pm

Weekdays: 8am (old rite); 12:30pm; 6:10pm

Saturdays: 8am (old rite); 10am; 12.30pm; 6:10pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

CONFESSION

Saturdays: 10:30-11:30am 5:00-6:00pm

MONEY MATTERS

Last week's collection total:

£1,068.86

(Gift aided: £683.36)

Ash Wednesday £611.30

No second collection.

THANK YOU!