HOLY CROSS PRIORY CHURCH



SUNDAY 13 MARCH 2016

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C

VEILING THE IMAGES

As we enter Passiontide, all of the images in our church are veiled. The custom of veiling crosses and images has much to commend it in terms of religious psychology, because it helps us to concentrate on the great essentials of Christ's work of Redemption. As we continue our preparations for Holy Week and Easter, we reflect on our need to grow together as a community and to support each other.

JUBILEE 800 VESPERS

On 29 April at 2:30pm, Cardinal Vincent Nichols will preside at a celebration of Vespers in Westminster Cathedral as part of the celebrations for the 800th Anniversary of the Dominican Order. There will be a coach leaving from Holy Cross for those who have already indicated they will attend. Others who would wish to attend are invited to sign up today.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

This weekend at all Masses, Fr David and Fr Robert will be discussing our financial position and how we can face our challenges together to secure the future of Holy Cross. Please see the separate sheet also.

PARISH SHOP

There will be a pop-up shop before and after the 10.30am Mass. Easter cards are now available. 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.

800TH JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO FLORENCE

There are still a few places left on our Jubilee Pilgrimage to Florence, 1-7 July. Please come to the sacristy if you are interested

LÁ FHÉILE PÁDRAIG SONA DAOIBH – HAPPY ST PATRICK'S



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- TODAY, 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
- Wednesday 6 April, concert given by Romanesca Recorders, 7.30pm in the church
- Jubilee Vespers 29th
 April in Westminster.
- Pilgrimage to
 Walsingham Sunday
 8 May

BAPTISM PREPARATION
If you wish to have your
child baptised, please
attend one of our baptism
preparation sessions. The
next is Sunday 3 April, 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 pilgrims who are taking part in the St Patrick's Day Festival. St Patrick, the Apostle of Ireland, reminds us of our responsibility to preach the Gospel, in season and out of season. Our theme this week is Sent Out to Preach, reflecting on the 800th Jubilee of our Order, and the missionary zeal that St Patrick inspires.

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

HOLY WEEK RETREAT

We look forward to welcoming Fr Ciaran Dougherty for the Holy Week Retreat this year. The Retreat takes place at 12:30pm Mass at the beginning of Holy Week, and at the revised time of 7:15pm in the evening.

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY

Term concludes in each of our University Communities this Friday. We wish all our students a pleasant vacation, and look forward to welcoming them back again after Easter.

LEICESTER CITY OF SANCTUARY

We at Holy Cross are very proud of our partnership with Leicester City of Sanctuary. It has been shortlisted as one of five charities in the area, three of which will receive money from the Big Lottery Fund and ITV's People's Projects. You are asked to vote for this project at

thepeoplesprojects.org.uk by 12 noon TODAY, Sunday 13 March. The more votes, the greater the chance of winning much needed funds!

THE HOLY LEAGUE

The Holy League meets on the second Friday of each month at 7:45pm in the Church. It is a prayer group for men. Please see Fr Thomas for more details.

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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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; 12.3opm; 6:1opm Vigil Mass for Sunday

CONFESSION

Saturdays:

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

MONEY MATTERS

Last week's collection total:

£1,114.47

(Gift aided: £269.00)

Lenten Projects:

£135.24

(Gift aided: £10.00)

THANK YOU!