

NEWSLETTER, SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, B  
CHURCH OF ST JAMES

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Facebook: St James, Twickenham [new members will normally have a link with the parish]

Parish Priest: Fr Ulick Loring

*Everyone over ten entering church should wear a mask unless there is some exceptional reason*

**ALL MASSES ARE LIVE STREAMED WITH NO PUBLIC MASSES -  
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LITURGY FOR THE WEEK

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday Vigil	6pm	Catherine and Joseph Gillham
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30am	Ita O'Keefe RIP
	12.15pm	Patrick Cleary RIP 1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	5pm	Private Intention [PD]
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	5pm	Mike Smith RIP
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February [ASH WEDNESDAY] Public masses</b>		
	10am	Mary August sick
	6pm	Natalie Maxinin and Renie Perez
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	5pm	Brian August RIP
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	5pm	Harriet Mooney RIP
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	10am	Elizabeth Jenkinson RIP [PB]

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday Vigil	6pm	Patricia Power RIP
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	10.30am	people of the parish
	12.15pm	Janet Adams, int

ASH WEDNESDAY falls **THIS** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February and is a day of fasting and abstinence. **PUBLIC MASS AND DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES** will take place at St James's at 10am and 6pm. The usual liturgy will be adapted to the present covid crisis. The numbers will be limited but places do not have to be reserved online. **IF YOU ARE HOUSEBOUND AT PRESENT PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE ASHES AND THESE CAN BE DELIVERED TO YOU AS FAR AS POSSIBLE.** *A collection will be taken at the end of the Masses.*

IN OUR PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEKEND We pray for the sick- Patricia Doswell, Michael Prindiville, Christopher Bermingham, Esther Sharman, John Moran, Dan Naughton, Susan Scammell, Christopher O'Neill, William Fitzgerald, Lauren Clements, Iain Richardson, Nicole and all suffering from covid..

We commend to the Lord the repose of the souls of Marcin Szabat, Edith Hutchison, Elizabeth Jenkinson, Bert Lynch, Iain Richardson, Mike Smith,, John Walker, Jan Lomax, Farron Kenny, Ian Macintosh, Peter Marquardt, and for all victims of Covid.

St James's Catholic Primary School Applications: Virtual tours of the school take place every Friday up to Christmas. Please contact: [info@st-james.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:info@st-james.richmond.sch.uk) for further details. Applications should be made through the local Borough Council and a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) should also be completed and returned directly to the school. The SIF and our admissions policy can be downloaded from our website at [www.stjames.richmond.sch.uk/Welcome/Admissions](http://www.stjames.richmond.sch.uk/Welcome/Admissions) Please see the link below for our School Virtual Tour Video <https://vimeo.com/480819740>

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO ARE SUPPORTING THE PARISH FINANCIALLY

Collection last week: £1,133.52 in standing orders,

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US**

1. You can donate to the parish via the Virgin Giving scheme. Just access their website and punch in St James Church, Twickenham. It's also possible for us to claim Gift Aid through Virgin if you use this scheme.
2. Taking out a standing order [please e-mail the office]
3. Paying directly into our bank viz WRCDT St James Church, HSBC, UK, a/c 01094831, sort code 40-05-20 - please use reference "offering"
4. Please try and use your Gift Aid Envelopes. These [plus other donations] can be dropped through the presbytery letter box

**Would you like to bring someone you love to know God?** Would you like to strengthen and grow your own faith? A new Alpha course will be starting online (via Zoom) on Wednesday at 7.30pm. This will be an introductory evening with no obligation to join. For non-Christians: Alpha is a friendly, relaxed, undemanding way to be introduced to Jesus and the Christian journey. With so many hurting at this time, an online course is a non-threatening way to invite a friend to “come and see”. You could be changing a life. For Catholics: Even though the course is interdenominational it is enjoyable at the least! For many Catholics worldwide, it has helped to ignite their faith, leading them into a stronger daily relationship with Jesus by the Holy Spirit. We would love you to give it a try! Ask anyone to join you. For the Zoom link please contact us on [twickenhamgroups@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:twickenhamgroups@rcdow.org.uk), or via the parish website [stjamestwickenham.org.uk/alpha](http://stjamestwickenham.org.uk/alpha)

**In the Parish we have** been running Connect over zoom every other Tuesday. Connect is a relaxed gathering of parishioners of all ages where they talk about topics of interest. It has been running since March last year and has been very successful. If you are interested in receiving more information please email Cristina at [cristina.hensher@gmail.com](mailto:cristina.hensher@gmail.com)

**WATCH THIS SPACE!** **“Catholics for Christian Climate Action”** are preparing material to present to the Bishops Conference of England and Wales. In the midst of the Covid crisis we should not forget the impending challenge of climate change which will affect our entire futures. Pope Francis reminds us of the need to care for our planet and to tend for it as a matter of urgency. ‘The pain, uncertainty and fear, and the realization of our own limitations, brought on by the pandemic have only made it all the more urgent that we rethink our styles of life, our relationships, the organization of our societies and, above all, the meaning of our existence.’ (*Fratelli Tutti* 33) Covid is leaving a terrible trail of destruction behind it, lost jobs, shattered health, trauma, an economic system in ruins. The looming climate and ecological disaster is bearing down on us. We need to build back better; at the same time there is an opportunity here, to face the changes required to mitigate and minimise the climate emergency; -giving a healthier system, a more equitable system, where the common good prevails over short term profits, and social purpose is rewarded; where an extractive economy is replaced with a circular economy which safeguards the precious web of life on which we all depend. But to arrive there all need to be involved and act now, before it is too late. Write to your MP and our Church leaders. For more information please contact Sr Jessica Gatty on [jessicamgatty@gmail.com](mailto:jessicamgatty@gmail.com). Sr Jessica is part of the Assumptionist order based in Waldegrave Road.

**Ask your MP to sign a parliamentary motion calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on fetal pain** A new parliamentary motion (EDM 1340) is calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on fetal pain. The evidence that babies can feel pain in the womb, and during many abortions, highlights the humanity of the unborn child and provides another important reason to introduce legislation to protect the unborn child from abortion. Right To Life UK have set up an easy-to-use tool which makes it simple to contact your MP, and ask them to sign this motion calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on fetal pain. It only takes 30 seconds using this easy-to-use tool. This tool can be accessed by visiting the link below: [www.righttolife.org.uk/FetalPainMotion](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/FetalPainMotion)

**Daily Walk? Something positive this Lent.** Could you walk 10000 Steps either on one day or everyday this Lent? The walk could be a sign of your solidarity with all those who do not have access to a safe water source and who have to walk for water each day. Find out more or sign up online at [cafod.org.uk/walk](http://cafod.org.uk/walk) and go the distance this Lent and help to end water poverty.

**FAMILIES FACING HUNGER NEED YOUR HELP** This Lent please support the **Cardinal's Lenten Appeal** and help provide food for children and families who face hunger. You could also support work to help our brothers and sisters come through the global pandemic stronger and better able to cope. Visit: [www.CardinalsLentenAppeal.org.uk](http://www.CardinalsLentenAppeal.org.uk)

**St Paul's Catholic College, Sunbury** seeks a Foundation Governor. They are particularly interested in anyone who has a background in education or commerce, however, this position is not applicable to any existing parents of St Paul's children. For further information with regard to this role please contact our Clerk to the Governors, Jo Chappell, directly on 01932 704119 or email [jchappell@stpauls.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:jchappell@stpauls.surrey.sch.uk).

**RICHMOND UPON THAMES VOLUNTARY FUND** is seeking funds for ‘Off the record,’ ‘Richmond Borough Mind,’ ‘Dose of Nature,’ and ‘Marble Hill Playcentres,’ These all contribute to the mental well-being of children.’ If you wish to contribute go to: [www.richmond.gov.uk/RVF](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/RVF)

**PROJECTS FOR THE ELDERLY** 1. Sensory knitted aquariums. For all those who like knitting and crochet this is a great opportunity to fill the boredom of lockdown days and bless local care homes at the same time. We are creating knitted aquariums for several care homes. They're fun, and particularly good for people with dementia, as well as showing care homes that their local community is thinking of them. 2. Cards of Kindness: Another crafty project for people who enjoy being creative. We are making cards for care home residents and sending them to care homes who have said they would be appreciated by their residents. We would be really grateful if you could advertise these projects in your churches. If anyone would like to be involved in either project you should contact [wendy@embracingage.org.uk](mailto:wendy@embracingage.org.uk) who will give you more information.