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Newsletter of Catholic Parish of St. John the Evangelist Tadworth

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14th – 22nd March 2020

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday 14th	6.00pm	Ronald Hibbert RIP
Sunday 15th	8.30am	Anne and Russell Perfect RIP
	10.30am	People of the Parish Baptism: Margaux Beales
Monday 16th	9.00am	Morning Prayer, Liturgy of the Word and Adoration
Tuesday 17th		<i>St. Patrick</i>
	9.15am	Dipre Family Healing
Wednesday 18th		
	9.15am	Edward Dyball Intentions
Friday 20th	9.15am	William Toumlin RIP
	9.45am	Adoration and Benediction
	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday 21st	11.00am	Baptism: Conan Martin
	6.00pm	Leo O'Sullivan RIP
Sunday 22nd	8.30am	Rita Connolly RIP
	10.30am	People of the Parish

Confessions: Saturdays 10.00-10.30am, 5.15-5.45pm and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays 6.00 – 7.00pm and Fridays 9.45 – 10.45am

Family Mass & Children's Liturgy in the Hall: Sundays 10.30am; **in the Church:** First Sundays

Prayer Group in Lady Chapel: Tuesdays 10.30am

This Week:

Tues: There is no Coffee Club this week
Weds: Music Group Rehearsal 7.00pm
Sun: FHC Session 6 before/after 10.30 Mass

Coming Up:

Weds 25th: Music Group Rehearsal 7.00pm
Tues 31st: Music Group Rehearsal 7.30pm

Re-dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary

will take place on Sunday 29th March in all our Cathedrals. This is an important celebration for England, dedicated to Our Blessed Lady by King Richard II in 1381 following an older tradition going back to the time of Edward the Confessor. There is a **Novena from 16th – 25th March in honour of Our Lady of Walsingham** before the re-dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary on Sunday 29th March. Novena booklets are available at the back of the church.

Please pray for: Susan Colairo who died recently; her funeral will take place at St. Joseph's Epsom on 17th March at 12.00noon. Please keep her husband George in your prayers.

Visit from Bishop Richard: As part of his Diocesan visiting schedule for this year, Bishop Richard is planning to celebrate Mass with us at St. John's on **Saturday 25th April at 6.00pm. This will of course depend on the Covid-19 situation and the guidance that prevails at the time.** In the meantime, please do put this date in your diaries.

Parish Communications: The Narthex (entrance porch) and its display areas, have been subject to some "tidying up" in recent weeks. The "pigeon hole box", along with many items that had been left there for a considerable time, has now been removed. If you have letters or paperwork for other parishioners, please leave them in the Sacristy. If you would like to display any notices on the noticeboard, please speak to Fr. Stanislaw.

Readers' Workshop: Fr. Stanislaw wishes to say a huge thank you to everyone who attended the readers' workshop/try-out session last Saturday. It was wonderful to see so many people giving up their time and showing interest in this important ministry. New readers will be added to the rotas as soon as possible.

Mother's Day Sunday 22 March: The 10.30am Mass will be a family Mass and there will be flowers for the children to give to their mothers or special lady in their life ☺.

Charity Box: provided by "Recycling for good causes" will be available in the hall for items such as jewellery, currency, gadgets and stamps. Proceeds from the recycled items will go to the British Polio Fellowship, of which one of our parishioners is a member. There are leaflets next to the box with more information.

Coronavirus Covid-19; Guidance for Parishes: has been issued by The Catholic Bishops'

Conference for England and Wales:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/>.

We are following Bishop Richard's directives; a copy of his recent letter is available for you to collect from the porch.

Additional measures introduced this week:

- Hymn books have been removed from the pews.
- Tuesday morning Coffee Club has been suspended until further notice.
- The collection plate will not be passed along the pews.
- Surface wipes are available at the entrance to the church so that areas of high contact can be regularly sanitised throughout the day.

Easter Music at St. John's:

As always, we want our services to be filled with the sound of beautiful music and would love for more singers and instrumentalists to join the Parish Music Group for the Easter Masses. We had a wonderful response to our appeal at Christmas, so please do join us again! We will be singing at the main Easter services, including Palm Sunday. Dates and timings of rehearsals will be published in the diary section of the newsletter. Please get in touch with Phillipa at spwatkins@live.com or Maria in the parish office for more information.



GIFT AID for taxpayers:

Not in the scheme? This enables the parish to claim the income tax on your giving so that donations are worth a quarter more! Contact me to sign up – it is very simple and secure.

Already in the scheme? Please let me know if you are no longer a taxpayer otherwise you will have to pay back the tax reclaimed. Also do consider whether to increase your standing order if it hasn't changed for a long time!

Collect your new envelopes next weekend.

Thank you. **Dick Shelley 01737 817930**

Main Collection last week incl. standing orders: £1135.90

Second Collection last week: CAFOD - £653.13, incl. £90 from the Simple Lunch.