

New Year's resolution: Make a difference with CAFOD: Make 2018 the year you meet new friends, inspire others to act for social justice, and use your skills to help our sisters and brothers working to overcome poverty around the globe. Are you a people-person who would relish involving and encouraging others in your local area? Or maybe you are a good communicator who would enjoy speaking in churches or presenting assemblies and workshops in schools? Please get in touch with us on westminster@cafod.org.uk or 020 8449-6970 to find out more and book a place on one of our CAFOD information sessions: on Sat 20 January from 10am to 12.30 at St Mary Moorfield's Parish near Liverpool Street EC2.

Life, Gender, Relationships: Catholic Ethics and Today's Society. Speaker: Dr Anthony McCarthy. **Date:** 16 January, 2018 **Location:** Our Lady of Victories Parish Hall, Kensington High Street W8 6SA **Time:** Doors will open at 6:45 pm and the lecture will begin at 7 pm. Refreshments and Q&A will follow. **Admission:** £5 at the door **Registration:** guildofourladyandstjoseph@gmail.com

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT: Saturday 27 January 2018 11:00 am - 4:30 pm St George's Cathedral Lambeth Road, Southwark London SE1 6HR More info: DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE - MARIAN FATHERS 1 Courtfield Gardens, London W13 0EY phone: 020 89980925; email: info@divinemercy.org.uk www.divinemercyapostolate.co.uk

Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage 21st - 27th July: If you are over 18, your help would be very much appreciated as a St Frai Helper. Some of our sick pilgrims in most need of support and medical care stay in a hospital-like building called the Accueil St Frai in the centre of Lourdes. It is well-equipped for their care and they are looked after by a team of doctors, nurses and volunteer St Frai Helpers. Helping in the St Frai is an extremely moving and rewarding experience. Working in the St Frai is an opportunity to give our care and company to our pilgrims and make a huge difference in their lives. If you're interested in helping in the St Frai in Lourdes, please email chief helper Nick Leonard and team at westminsterstfrai@gmail.com

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- **Hire of the hall:** it may be possible to use the parish hall for private parties. Applications should be made by sending an email to the parish address.
 - **New to the parish?:** please complete one of the blue registration cards and return to Fr Tony
 - **In case you are admitted to hospital:** In light of data protection, please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.
 - **School forms:** For parents who wish Fr Tony to sign their priest's reference form: please telephone or email to arrange an appointment.
 - **Getting Married:** couples are reminded that six months' notice is required for a wedding, either in this country or abroad.



St Edward the Confessor

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This parish is part of the Westminster Roman Catholic
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Second Sunday of the Year B 14th January 2018



It's easy to get so caught up in the business of daily life that we end up taking our religion for granted, or at least treating it on the same level as many other activities that we spend our time with. Today we are reminded that it is not we who have chosen to serve God; it is God who has called us. And like Samuel, and Peter, we need to be awake to what exactly it is that God is asking of each of us

Texts for this Sunday's Mass

1 Samuel 3:3-10.19 *Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.*

Psalm response: *Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.*

1 Corinthians 6:13-15.20-27 *Your bodies are members making up the body of Christ.*

John 1:35-42 *They saw where he lived, and stayed with him.*

Sunday Mass times

Saturday 6.30pm (Vigil), 9am, 10.30am, 12.15pm, 6pm

MASS SCHEDULE		
<u>Sunday 14th</u>	9am	People of the Parish
2ND SUNDAY	10.30am	Brian Mayes, Elizabeth Alzano Mayes & Bridget Alzano
YEAR B	12.15pm	
	6pm	
<u>Monday 15th</u>	10am	Charles Sagayam RIP
<u>Tuesday 16^h</u>	10am	Teresa Creighton's Intention
<u>Wednesday 17th</u>	10am	
St Antony		
<u>Thursday 18th</u>	10am	
<u>Friday 19th</u>	10am	Henryka Radziuk
<u>Saturday 20th</u>	10am	Sheila & Jack McGrath
	6.30pm	
<u>Sunday 21st</u>	9am	People of the Parish
3RD SUNDAY	10.30am	Geoffrey Myers
YEAR B	12.15pm	
	6pm	

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturdays 10.30-11am, 5.30 - 6pm (5-6pm during Lent) and on request.

Divine Mercy Hour Saturdays at 3pm will recommence on Saturday 13 January.

- **Mass Intentions:** please write the intention on the front of an envelope with your own name and preferred date and give to Fr Tony. The week's intentions will be printed in the newsletter (as above) and the intentions for the current month will be posted in the porch.
- **Items for the newsletter** should reach the presbytery by Thursday 6pm, either by post or by email (goldersgreen@rcdow.org.uk).
- Want to receive the newsletter by email? Give us your email address.

BAPTISM COURSE

The next Baptism Course (2 sessions) will be *on Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 January 2018. Application forms in the porch (yellow).*

Collection Weekend 6/7 January 2018

Envelopes	970.41
Loose	899.48
Standing orders	<u>350</u>
Total	£ 2,219.89

Visiting: After Christmas I'll be visiting the Confirmation families - Fr Tony

First Communion: parents are asked to note that if their child is in a non-Catholic school, he or she will need to attend the Sunday school classes during the previous academic year. Those who would expect to make their Communion in the summer of 2019, and are not in a Catholic school, must enrol in the appropriate pre-Communion class by January 2018.

Westminster Year Books 2018: These are available in the porch for £4.50 each. Please put the money in the wall box.

Parish Council meets next Thursday 18 January at 8pm in the parish hall.

Liturgy Planning Group meets on Monday 22 January at 8pm in the Presbytery.

New Rotas for readers and special ministers can be found in the porch.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: This runs from Thursday 18th January. Next Sunday, 21st January, there will be a Unity Service in St Jude's Anglican Church at 3pm.

READ OF THE MONTH January 2018

Spiritual First Aid - Healing Through the Sacraments **By:** Fr Jim McManus
 CssR We can all be hurt easily by the words, attitudes and actions of others. As a result we often find it hard to love the person who hurt us. But while it is painful enough to be hurt, it is spiritually more painful to harden one's heart. Because in the refusal to forgive others - making the sincere gift of self - we deny ourselves of the opportunity to discover our true identity - that is, to love and to be loved. Through his insight into the three great sacraments of healing (Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick and the Holy Eucharist) instituted by Jesus Christ himself, acclaimed author Fr Jim McManus helps us to tend to our spiritual wounds so that we may rediscover our true selves, and reap the reward of loving in sincere self-giving - which is the gift of sincere happiness. **This booklet will be available on the window sill near the CTS stand for £1 each during January.**