

**Flowers in Lent:** We ask parishioners not to bring in flowers to decorate any of the statues or side altars during Lent.

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**Beginning Experience:** There is a healing weekend for men and woman who find themselves single again following separation, divorce or the death of a partner from 12th to 14th April 2019 at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell, Essex. For details please contact Freda 01322-838415 or Sandra 01293-783965 or email [johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk)

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**Understanding the Liturgy:** *the things we do in church and why we do them.* As last Lent, we will be presenting another session on this topic on two occasions: **Tuesday 19 March 7.30-9pm** and **Saturday 23 March 11am-12.30pm.** All are welcome.

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**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham Saturday 21 September 2019:** The theme of the pilgrimage this year is "Blessed are the poor, for the Kingdom of God is theirs." If any parishioners are interested in attending please let Fr Tony or Deacon Anthony know ASAP.

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**Parishioner** (single woman) looking for accommodation - studio flat. Occupation: professional health care assistant. Phone, please 07858 134521

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**EU Citizens' Rights Information Session:** Tuesday 19 March 6:00- 8:00pm. Presentation and Q&A with a specialist lawyer regarding EU Settled Status **Venue:** Caritas St Joseph's The Burroughs, Hendon, London, NW4 4TY. This is a free, ticketed event, made possible by the European Commission. It is for EU citizens, or individuals that will be assisting EU citizens with the process. Please reserve your ticket here: <https://bit.ly/2Ufk3vk>

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**Nutrition at its best for optimum health and vitality.** This is a talk about how we can learn to eat the right foods to improve our cellular health and to strengthen our body through good nutrition. **Venue:** Parish Hall. **Date:** Saturday 16 March 2pm. All are welcome.

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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.
  - **Visiting the housebound:** if you know of any elderly or housebound person who would like to be visited at home, please let Fr Tony know.



## St Edward the Confessor

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### First Sunday of Lent Year C 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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Temptation is not a sin. It's just a reminder that we are capable of sinning. Whatever our worst temptation is, Jesus went through it in the desert. If not, then he would not have become one of us and would have been incapable of redeeming our human nature at its very worst.

#### Texts for this Sunday's Mass

**Deuteronomy 26:4-10** *The creed of the chosen people.*

**Psalm response:** *Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.*

**Romans 10:8-13** *The creed of the Christian.*

**Luke 4:1-13** *Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness and was tempted there.*

#### Sunday Mass times

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

MASS SCHEDULE		
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9am	People of the Parish
1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY	10.30am	Bridget Alzano RIP
OF LENT C	12.15pm	Thanksgiving Mr E Uriarte
	6pm	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Cesnik Victor's health
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Charles Sagayam RIP
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10am	COMMUNION SERVICE
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Peter Dong
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Holy Souls
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10am	
	6.30pm	
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Moira Shannon RIP
2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY	10.30am	Blanca Aurora Castano
OF LENT C	12.15pm	People of the Parish
	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.

- **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](mailto: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 25 and Tuesday 26 March 2019. Application forms in the porch (yellow).*

### Collection Weekend 2/3 March 2019

Envelopes	999.75
Loose	750.69
Standing orders	367.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 2,117.94</b>

**Visiting:** In this period after Christmas I'm visiting the Confirmation families - Fr Tony

**Lent Fast Day** will be on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. This is an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters around the world. Drought, floods and storms are having a devastating impact on our global family. Like Mahinur from Bangladesh. She makes a living from fishing but a drought last year killed all the fish, and she's struggling to support her disabled husband and son. On Friday 15 March, can you eat a simple meal in solidarity and give what you save to help people like Mahinur? Through CAFOD's global Church network - one of the largest aid networks in the world - your support can reach to the ends of the earth. Please take an envelope home with you and remember to fill in the attached Gift Aid form if you are a taxpayer. Thank you.

**Stations of the Cross:** we will be praying the Stations every Friday evening during Lent at 7pm.

**Parish Council** meets on Thursday 14 March at 8pm in the parish hall.

**Annual financial report** takes place this Sunday.

**Rejoice and be Glad** is the title of the booklet offered by the diocese for use by individuals and small faith sharing groups during Lent. Cost: £3.

**The Cake, Preserve Sale and Raffle** last weekend raised an amazing £503 for the Mt Hagen Project. Our target of £3,000 has now been reached. The Project Group are very grateful to all the very kind and generous parishioners for their outstanding support over the past 5 months. Thank you so much!

**Mt Hagen raffle:** There are four prizes waiting to be claimed in the sacristy - they are for tickets numbers 396 blue, 461 blue, 511 green, 516 green.

### READ OF THE MONTH Lent 2019 Special offer

£1 each, 3 for £2- Increase your spiritual reading this Lent. From the pens of the celebrated and famous, as well as the lesser known, CTS Oneffities will take you from Victorian England to the two great wars, from the certainties of 19th Century piety to the 1968 sexual revolution. Great testimonies of faith, sparkling apologetics, and debates on the issues of the day offer original and inspiring insights into the meaning of life and all its hopes and challenges. They also give a fascinating look into the changing concerns of the Catholic population of England since the late 19th century. This includes works from great names such as Robert Louis Stevenson, Hilaire Belloc, G.K. Chesterton, Ronald Knox, and Leonard Cheshire VC. Reflections on Christian life and practice, discussions of the politics and issues of the day, and even a selection of fictional works - there is something original and special here for everybody. 24 different titles.