

CELEBRATE YOUR MARRIAGE—A LIFETIME OF LOVING

A day aimed at couples who would like to celebrate the sacrament of matrimony and improve their communication skills will be held on **Saturday 10 March**, 9.45am—4.30pm, at Holy Cross School, New Malden. Suggested donation: £25. For full details and to book (essential) contact: Deacon Philip & Mrs Mary Pond, 020 8651 2477 or philandmary@blueyonder.co.uk

CATHOLICS IN HEALTHCARE: MEN AND WOMEN OF CONSCIENCE

An exploration of conscience in contemporary healthcare
The Catholic Medical Association invites all juniors and students of the healthcare professions and all young people involved in the pro-life movement, to their national youth (18 - 35) conference at the National Shrine of the Martyrs of England and Wales, Tyburn Convent, London, on **Saturday 10 March**, 11.15am—5.30pm. Entry is by donation (suggested amount: £10, includes lunch; profits to Tyburn Convent). Contact: events@catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk or visit the Catholic Medical Association of England and Wales @ [cmaenglandandwales](https://www.facebook.com/cmaenglandandwales) Facebook page.

SUTTON SCHOOL & STREET PASTORS' next training course starts on 3 March. Contact sutton@streetpastors.org.uk or telephone 07525 838640. Sutton Street Pastors started in 2005 in response to crime statistics that were as high as some inner London boroughs. Street Pastors are drawn from over 20 different churches and work with Safer Sutton Partnership and pubs, clubs and shops in the town centre, and three Sutton Schools.

ST DAVID'S DAY CONCERT IN AID OF THE PASSAGE, a charity working with homeless people. **Thursday 1 March**, 7.30pm, Methodist Central Hall, Storey's Gate Westminster SW1H 9NH. Info & tickets (£20): 020 7592 1856, andrew.h@passage.org.uk or passage-stdavidsday-concert.eventbrite.co.uk

FULLY ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE, IRELAND, 14 MARCH 2018
Please see church notice board for full details. Contact Patricia anytime on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

ST PHILOMENA'S 125th YEAR CELEBRATION BALL—SATURDAY 7 JULY 2018
Parishioners are invited to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls founded in 1893 by The Daughters of the Cross. Please see church notice boards for full details of this event.

BEGINNER IRISH DANCING CLASSES for children aged 4+ commencing in Cheam with the Ní Cholmaín Academy of Irish Dance. Please contact Monica on 07929 237 102 or mon_coleman@hotmail.com

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NEWSLETTER

25 February 2018



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

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| Mon 26 Feb | First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting 8.00pm |
| Fri 2 Mar | Parish Office Closed
STATIONS OF THE CROSS after 9.00am Mass
WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Services:
10.30am Salvation Army Church, Benhill Ave, Sutton
7.30pm Carshalton Methodist Church, Ruskin Road
St Christopher's Craft Circle 10.30am—12.30pm
in the parish hall |
| Sat 3 Mar | LENT DAY OF REFLECTION AND PRAYER
Holy Family Church, Sutton Green 9.30am—1.00pm |
| Sun 4 Mar | 10am Mass with Children's & Young People's Participation |
| Weekly | Wed Toddler Group 9.45-11.15am (term time)
Fri Coffee in the hall after 9.00am Mass
Sun 10.00am Mass: Children's Liturgy
Refreshments in the hall after Mass |

25 February 2018 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

Sat	24	1800	Paul Traynor RIP (Edith & John Hickey)
Sun	25	0830	Stephen Slattery RIP (Gielty Family)
		1000	Dr Alina Piesowicz RIP (Suzanne Kavanagh)
		1200	People of the Parish
		1400	BAPTISMS: Cara Mary Butler Flora Mary Marjorie Wood
Mon	26	1000	Indra Pedropillai's Intentions (E & I Louis)
Tue	27	0900	Frederick & James Damian Culbert RIP (Philomena Culbert & Family)
Wed	28		<i>No Mass</i>
Thu	1	0900	Saint David, Bishop, Patron of Wales, Feast Michael Ayres' Intentions (Phil & Mark Kisz & Family)
Fri	2	0900	Molly Ellen Butler RIP Anniversary
		0930	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Sat	3	1030-1100) 1700-1730)	Sacrament of Reconciliation

4 March 2018 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

Sat	3	1800	Kieran & Hyland Families RIP (P & L Kieran)
Sun	4	0830	People of the Parish
		1000	Winifred Brennan RIP Anniversary (Hobbs Family)
		1200	Patrick Vaughan RIP Anniversary
		1730	CHALDEAN CATHOLIC RITE MASS (Iraqi Community)

LAST SUNDAY	Attendance	507
	Plate	£ 529.73
	Gift Aid	£ 583.50
		£ 1,113.23

Thank you for your offerings.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Peter Barry, Michael Burke, Ellen Cahill, Pat Carbery, Carmel Curtis, Marie Deans, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Francis Ellis, Patrick Gill, Sean Healy, Margaret Jones, Anne Kellett, Patrick Kennedy, Michael McKenna, Pearl McLeod, Peter Millard, Michael Moores, Stella Paxton, Leslie Pinto, Catherine Thompson, Maria Tobin, Denis Vaughan, Nan Waldron, Ghylaine Lebentz Walter and Nickii Wright.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Parents of children of two years of age and older are reminded to collect a certificate after Sunday Mass, which will provide evidence of the record of attendance when they apply for a place at a Catholic school.

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY was on Friday. Please place your CAFOD envelopes in the retiring collection baskets this weekend and don't forget to complete the Gift Aid form if you are a tax payer. Parish Gift Aid donors may prefer to use one of their spare envelopes, writing 'CAFOD Fast Day' on the front.

A CAFOD Lent Lunch will be held on **Friday 9 March** at 12.30pm in the hall. If you would like to join with others in our parish to share a simple lunch to raise money for CAFOD, please give your name to Vivienne in the parish office as soon as possible.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2018—FRIDAY 2 MARCH

This year's interdenominational service has been written by the women of Suriname in South America with the title 'All God's Creation is Very Good!'. This is not simply a day of prayer for women, but for everyone who cares about our world and those who live in it.

All are invited to a service at The Salvation Army Church, Benhill Avenue, Sutton at 10.30am on Friday 2 March. An evening service will be held at Carshalton Methodist Church in Ruskin Road at 7.30pm.

SUTTON DEANERY DAY OF REFLECTION AND PRAYER FOR LENT

On **Saturday 3 March**, Fr John Farrell OP will lead a day of reflection on 'Living the Eucharist', at Holy Family Church, Sutton Green. The day will start at 9.30am with Mass and finish at 1.00pm. All are welcome.

LONDON SW CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS is a social group for young Catholics which meets every month. Our next social evening is on **Saturday 3 March** from 7.30pm at The Alexandra, Wimbledon SW19 7NE. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242.

MARSDEN MARCH 4 MARCH 2018

Veronica Mouat will be walking the 14 mile Marsden March with Michael and Rebecca Holding in memory of her husband to raise money for Cancer Research. If you would like to sponsor them for this local charity, please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/veronica-mouat>

10.00am MASS WITH CHILDREN'S & YOUNG PEOPLE'S PARTICIPATION

Young readers are sought to join the reading rota for this Mass, which is normally held on the first Sunday of the month. We would also love to hear from any young musicians who would be willing to play at this Mass. If you would like to read or play an instrument, please give your name to one of the rota co-ordinators: Mary Nash (8244 3196) or Angela Palladino (8642 8160), or to Vivienne in the parish office.