THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MOLESEY & HERSHAM St Barnabas Vine Road Molesey All Saints Queens Road Hersham

10 MARCH 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult & be satisfied at her consoling breast.

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Confessions: By appointment and before and after the

Saturday Masses at Molesey & Hersham.

WELCOME TO MASS Readings and prayers are found in the Parish Missals for The Fourth Sunday of Lent, Year B

My dear Parishioners, dear friends

Laetare Jerusalem, Rejoice Jerusalem, and all who love her....This is the introit of today's Mass and the way by which we name this Fourth Sunday of Lent. Laetare, Rejoice

Jerusalem, the city of peace, is an image of the Heavenly Jerusalem, our Mother. And this powerful image of the Church is the other name for this Sunday known as Mothering. And isn't that so much richer a title than Mother's Day? For today we celebrate 'mothering' and give thanks for that maternal love which, please God, has nurtured and shaped us, through the family, through the Church and in even in the best examples of society at large.

Conflict in and around Jerusalem, the city of peace, reminds us that mothering love is often far from perfect, both in the family, in the Church and in society at large. But conflict and imperfections only highlight how valuable a mother's love is, simply because it is the love of a mother.

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A mother knows life growing in her womb, a mother nurtures life at the breast, a mother teaches her child with a love which surpasses any human wisdom. This high call is powerfully expressed in a mother's prayers - for the family and for life and for peace - so that when women pray maternally it is profoundly and mysteriously biological and emotional as well as spiritual.

May the Lord lifted high upon the cross embrace all mothers today. May His holy Mother who stood devoutly by the cross of her Son and shared in the joy of His Resurrection, pray for mothering, maternal women everywhere, whatever their circumstances. And may our mothers be blessed, those here on earth in their day to day labours and those rejoicing in their eternal rest in the Heavenly Jerusalem, our Mother.

With my prayers and affectionate good wishes. Fr Richard

THE COLLECTION ON EASTER

SUNDAY will be for Fr Richard. Priests of this diocese receive no salary, so your generosity at Christmas & Easter forms the bulk of a priest's personal income. There are envelopes at the back of the church.

Bishop Richard has launched the third edition of his Pastoral Plan, 'The Word who is Life' at the beginning of this new year. The sub-title of this Plan is: The Call to Mission. That call to be missionary disciples is a consequence of our Baptism; a responsibility that is placed on every Christian. The plan is available on the diocesan website and I will address its details and challenges over the season of Lent.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Holy Ones of Encouragement

For regular updates, news and devotions

Access the page by going to www.stbarnabasmolesey.org and click on the Facebook icon.

You do not have to join Facebook to see this.

THE LIVE STREAM

AT MOLESEY: All Live streamed

Monday at <u>6pm.</u> Tuesday at 9.30am, Thursday at 9.30am, Sunday 11am & 6pm.

AT HERSHAM: All live streamed

Wednesday at 9.30am, Friday at 9.30am, Saturday (Vigil Mass) at 5.30pm & Sunday at 9am.

To access the live stream Molesey & Hersham go to <u>nww.stbarnabasmolesey.org</u> and click on the picture of the appropriate church.

AN HOUR OF PRAYER FOR PEACE WITH EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ALL SAINTS, HERSHAM

Friday 10am-11am BOTH CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER FROM 9am to dusk PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesus hear me;
Within your wounds hide me;

Suffer me not to be separated from you, From the evil one protect me;

At the hour of my death, call me; And bid me come to thee; That with thy saints I may be praise thee For all eternity. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion

This prayer is said when it is not possible for us to receive Holy Communion. If you are watching a live stream Mass, you might like to say the prayer as the priest receives Holy Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

For those who are suffering

O God, who willed that our infirmities be borne by your Only Begotten Son to show the value of human suffering, listen in kindness to our prayers for our brothers and sisters who are sick; grant that all who are oppressed by pain, distress or other afflictions may know that they are chosen

among those proclaimed blessed and are united to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Merciful God, come to the help of your people. Be our shelter in this time of peril

and strengthen the bonds of our community. Bring healing to all who suffer

the ravages of disease and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

LET US PRAY FOR: For those who are sick in our parishes: Maureen & Bill Dodds, Carol, Rosa Saccente, Peter Kissinger, Sonia Chenery, David Morgan, John O'Reilly, Kevin O'Connor, Eptisam Yusef, Peter Weeks, Ann Griffin, Andy Hanges, Patricia Malcolm, Rose Collins, Maureen Lloyd, Ann Livingston, Dina Yates, Richard D'Alton, the Superville and McComb family, Mark.

Please advise the parish offices of those names and intentions you would like added to our list for our prayers.

Those who have died:

Alim Hassoun, Mary Brosnan, Giuseppe Grizzanti, Felicity Phelps, David Johnson, Anthony Leonard, Oscar Prince, Edwin Jones, David Nigel, , Julian Varadi, Manuel Campello Barro, Danny Boyle, Nicoletta Lanzisera, Tim Haines, Nora Tierney, Elizabeth (Lizzie) Obi, Paul O'Brien, Therese Ayres, Judith Carratu, Antonia Pacitti, Patricia Clarke, Mike Robinson, Marianna, Viscountess Monckton, Clara de Souza, Arthur Mohan, Michael O'Reilly, Barbara Carter, Mary O'Riordan, Eileen Firth, Bob Baillie, Pat Gamba, Sheila Day, Matthew Slingo, Theresa Sant, Elisa Sciales, Jossie Jackson, Christina Ward, Brian Binnington, Anthony Wright, Ann Daly, Roy Fields, Jean Sciales, Trevor Davies, Antony Wright, Edna McLaughlin, Fr Desmond Baker, Fr Dominic Byrne, Ann Daly, Tina Cruz Riquet, Eddie Murphy, Wally Grey, Cathy Stayne, Lucian Farcasi, Geoffrey Hayes, Wally Grey, Tim Lamb, Nick Harvey, Tim Hipperson, Geoffrey Maud, Esther Inskipp, Fr Kevin Alban, Julie Benton-MacLeod, Jose Odackal Joseph, Ben Adderley, Eileen Creed, Sandrine Atkins, Charles Alexander, Nellie Widdup, Bette Reed, Bobbettie McColl, Beatrice Hammond, Desmond Alphonso, Dennis Lackey, Gilly Becker, Mgr Barry Wymes, Fr Richard Lear CJ, Sue Bolton, Patrick Duggan, Kathleen Bell, Peggy Fitzgerald, Edward Quigley, Carl Zalman, Carmen Szkwirko, Harry O'Sullivan, William Ritchie, Teresa Redmond, Rosanna Hilling, Helena Wallis, John Knowles, Kathleen Kelly (Lambert), Gerry Firth, Glen Adderley, Salvator Messini, Rui Da Silva, Maria Camara.

Those who anniversaries fall this week: Fr Albert Hadsar, Canon Daniel Moriarty, Bishop David Cashman, Fr Denis Cronin, Fr Hugh Scullin, Fr Charles Clarke.

An On Line Link for Mass Prayers

The readings from daily Mass: http://universalis.com/mass.h

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

will be celebrated at both
All Saints Hersham
&
St Barnabas Molesey

at the following times

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8pm

Good Friday Solemn Liturgy at 3pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil & Mass at 8pm

Masses on Easter Sunday

will be
8am Molesey Latin Mass
9.15am Hersham
11am Molesey
6pm Molesey

FOR CHILDREN AT ST BARNABAS GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 10am followed by coffee & hot cross buns.

ALL SAINTS, GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 10am followed by coffee.

EASTER EGG HUNT for children after the Easter Sunday Mass at 11am Mass in St Barnabas Hall.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES at St

Barnabas on Good Friday. Please do come and enjoy a live action 'Stations of the Cross', outdoors. Suitable for all ages. Dress the children up in costumes of Jesus time, celebrate together. All welcome.

Invitation – Consecration Mass of Bethan Townsend

Dear all, it is with great joy to share with you all the news of my up-and-coming consecration to the Ordo Virginum. As some of you will be aware, I have been on a journey of discernment and formation over the last few years, preparing for a life of consecration living within the world. You are all invited to join me for what I hope will be a great day of celebration! The details are as follows:

6th September 2024 6:30pm

Arundel Cathedral, Parson hill, Arundel, West Sussex, BN18 9AY

If you would like to attend, please RSVP by 1st April 2024 by email: arundel@abdiocese.org.uk or phone: 01903 882297

BIBLE STUDY - Every Wednesday

How well do you know your scripture? Why not take up the invitation to study the Bible. All you need is a Bible, a notebook and pen. All are welcome!

When: Wednesday evenings, 6:30pm-7:30pm

Where: St Barnabas Parish Hall

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC? We have two groups running in our parishes at All Saints and St Barnabas. Please contact Fr Richard or Yvonne Foster through the parish office.

THE NEXT UCM MEETING is on Wednesday 20th March at 11am in St Barnabas, Hall. All are warmly invited; refreshments will be served.

MASS INTENTIONS are gladly received. Please fill out a Mass Intention envelope (available from the back of the church). Hersham Masses can be organised in the sacristy after Mass there and Molesey through the parish office. When requesting a Mass Intention, please indicate whether the Mass is for the deceased, the sick or another reason.

NEW PARISHIONER? Welcome to All Saints, Hersham & St Barnabas, Molesey! Please make yourself known to Fr Richard, or the Parish office. Registration forms are available from the back of the church.

If you would like a visit from Fr Richard, please contact him.

Please feel free to call by the presbytery to simply say hello.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE FLOWER ROTA AT ST BARNABAS

Is there anyone in the parish of Hersham or Molesey who would like to arrange flowers at St Barnabas, and sign up to the Flower Rota? If so, please contact Anny Cheung through the Parish Office. Full training and help with be given.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION NEEDED

Many people within our parish community are unable to attend Mass due to sickness or are housebound, and so they require Holy Communion to be taken to them at home. A team of Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion are needed for this to take place. If you can help with this ministry, please contact the parish office 02089418400. Diocesan DBS and safeguarding training is required, and training for this ministry will be provided.

FOODBANK DONATIONS AT HERE TO HELP -ELMBRIDGE

David Bone (a parishioner) has set up a Facebook site called Here to Help – Elmbridge. This initiative is to offer help to people in our local community who are in need in terms of food, gifts, clothes and furniture. If you are in need or would like to help or are able to offer your time to collect and deliver items, please contact David on 07714 683090 or via Facebook via the following link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/73201 0290666981/

ALL SAINTS HERSHAM & ST BARNABAS MOLESEY FOOD BANK DONATIONS.

Items urgently required:

- 1. Instant noodles/ Pot noodles
- 2. Tinned potatoes/ Instant mash
- 3. Tinned Peas/ Tinned carrots
- 4. Vegetables / Tinned sweetcorn
- 5. Jam / Marmite
- 6. Peanut butter
- 7. Long life sponge puddings
- 8. Shampoo
- 9. Deodorant
- 10. Shaving foam / Gel
- 11. Washing up liquid
- 12. Cleaning sprays

NO FRESH FOOD, PLEASE.

Collection points:

- 1. At the back of All Saints and St. Barnabas churches.
- 2. The Food Bank Warehouse, Faulkners Road, Hersham opposite Lilliput's Nursery. On Wednesday 10am-12.00 noon.

OR PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING A FINANCIAL DONATION, which will be used to buy fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs on the day of the distribution of the food parcels. A financial donation can be made online at <u>waltonhersham.foodbank.org.uk</u>

ST BARNABAS YOUTH CLUB FOR YEAR 3 & UPWARDS

If you are in Year 3 and above, you are warmly invited to join us at St Barnabas Parish Youth Club on Friday evenings, for fun, friendship, and crafts in a safe environment. Taster session is free, £1 per week after which covers a drink and cake.

Register your child on arrival for the first time. Term Time Only

ADORATION AT **CARDINAL NEWMAN SCHOOL** On Monday 11th March, Cardinal Newman school are having a day of prayer and reconciliation with the Blessed Sacrament present as part of 24 hours for the Lord. You are invited to come for adoration over lunchtime 12.00 to 1 pm in the school hall. There will be opportunities for Sacrament the

Reconcillation in the afternoon after 1.15 pm.

HERSHAM & WALTON ST PATRICK'S NIGHT

The annual Hersham & Walton St Patrick's Night will take place on Saturday 16th March at All Saints Church Hall. This is a family friendly event with profits raised going to local charities. Come along and enjoy the craic! Always a great night with a live band, licensed bar, Irish shop, kids disco, raffle and much more. Tickets go on sale on

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Ticket prices are adult £10 and children £2.50. Looking forward to seeing you there.

ST VINCENT DE PAULA SERVICE DAY Saturday 6 April, 11.30am-4pm, Brighton BN1 6WT. Service Day. 18–35-year-olds are invited to join the St Vincent de Paul 1833 team for a day of service, redecorating and painting rooms at SVP Tower House, while growing in Vincentian spirituality and fellowship. There will be an opportunity to pray, serve, and share a drink in the pub after to sign up and take part. https://abdiocese.us9.list-

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WALTON VOICES presents from The Fjords to Buenos Aires, contrasting settings of the Mass by Gjeilo & Palmeri.

When: Saturday 23rd March 2024 Where: St Mary's Church, Oatlands Avenue, WeybridgeKT13 9TS

Tickets: £17 (+booking fee) £,20 on the door

To book tickets please go to

www.TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/WALTO NVOICES

For more details on the event please visit the website: www.waltonvoices.co.uk

PARISH FINANCES

With the previous suspension of Sunday Masses and the lack of a Sunday collection, please consider the financial needs of the parishes. Whilst it might be possible to set aside your Sunday contribution why not think about a standing order to the parishes?

FOR HERSHAM

Account Name:

Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton. All Saints, Hersham.

Account Number 21077295
All Saints Hersham now has a contactless terminal so you can contribute to various church funds by using debit or credit cards. You can also contribute Online by going to this link:

<u>https://donate.mydona.com/all-saints-church-hersham</u>

FOR MOLESEY

Account Name:

Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton. St Barnabas, Molesey

Account Number 71077252

The Sort Code for both accounts is 40-05-20 Many parishioners already support the parishes by direct giving through their bank. You will understand that we need to support our parishes even though we may not be at church as regularly.

CAFOD

(CAFOD is The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development and is the official laid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales and part of Caritas International. CAFOD works with local partners in Africa, Asia, Latin America, The Caribbean and the Middle East - a total of 165 countries) How to contact CAFOD www.cafod.org.uk or email

<u>cafod@cafod.org.uk</u> or telephone 0303 303 3030

Address: CAFOD Head Office, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, LONDON, SE1 7JB

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Parish Representative (All Saints) Marion DAWES -01932 231317

CAFOD URGENT APPEAL - Turkey –

Syria Earthquake disaster

CAFOD is of the 15 UK charities that form The Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC). They have launched an emergency appeal to help the survivors of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. The UK government has agreed to match the appeal pound for pound, up to £5 million, so any received donations will be doubled to this amount.

These charities are well aware of the financial constraints that all of us now have. In the past you have been **very generous** for which CAFOD and other charities thank you. If you can donate, then please either go onto the CAFOD website

cafod.org.uk

or write a cheque and hand it to the office at St Barnabas or All Saints churches or post it to CAFOD Head Office, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB Thank you for your prayers, your support and your generosity.

ORDER OF MALTA – APPEAL FOR UKRAINE

As the conflict in Ukraine continues, more and more lives are being lost, and homes, hospitals and schools destroyed. Road blockages mean people cannot reach food or medical care. Those fleeing their homes few resources have as thev enter neighbouring countries as refugees. Food, medicine, shelter, welcoming of refugees, care of the elderly and disabled who are not able to flee. This is the work the Order has carried out for centuries and is recognised in the surrounding regions as a trusted frontline provider.

These are the people who need our help now!

BASMOM through our Foreign Aid Service (FAS) is seeking donations towards the Order's frontline care in Ukraine and in the surrounding countries.

You can donate on the following and input BASMOM's charity number 1103567: cafonline.org or you can send a cheque or Bank Transfer to

BASMOM FOREIGN AID Services Sort code: 15-99-00. Account number: 03801990. The Foreign Aid Service

Craigmyle House, 13 Deodar Rd. SW15 2NP

HERSHAM DAY CENTRE PROGRAMME Please pick up the latest activity programme. There are a range of activities every day in the Centre. Plus, some special events including an evening ballroom dance. There are some programmes at All Saints, Hersham or pop into the day centre between 9.30 and 4pm or telephone Amy 01932 246267.

RELAUNCH OF LOVE HERSHAM – An ecumenical project from Churches Together, Hersham. There are several people, who already work hard to help others in our community. They are usually silent, conscientious volunteers, so FIRSTLY, THANK YOU for all you do.

Love Hersham is to further build our community spirit. If you have an idea, or already involved in an activity that needs more support please contact Marion Dawes (01932 231317 marion.dawes@gmail.com.

DIOCESAN RUN EVENTS

• MENTAL HEALTH CHAMPIONS

Mental Health training courses. Would you like to understand more about the challenges and reality of mental health on those around you? We continue to run courses focused on raising awareness of symptoms and the impact on people's lives along with ways to signpost those who are struggling. For more details see the Diocesan website or email Simon South, Formation Advisor E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

• LITURGY OF THE WORD TRAINING

Liturgy of the Word with Children, Leaders training, 20 April, 10am-1pm at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley. Lucy Hall will demonstrate a hands-on, tactile approach to exploring the Gospel. Whether you have been working in this ministry for a long time or are new – be enthused by Lucy and meet others who share your passion, so please sign up via the Diocesan website.

To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit their website events calendar W: https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events

INVITED PROGRAMME AT ST ERCONWALD'S St Erconwald's Catholic Church is running the Invited programme on Thursday mornings at 9.45-11.45 in their parish hall. You are all warmly invited to come along. If you would like to attend, please register via the Churchsuite link: https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/even/

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VACANCIES AT ST ALBAN'S SCHOOL

PLAYWORKER St Alban's School is looking for an enthusiastic and reliable Playworker to join their Breakfast and Afterschool club.

No experience needed, just a desire to work with children. (Term time only)

https://www.eteach.com/careers/stalbanssurrey/job/breakfast-and-after-school-clubplayworker-1368204/?lang=en-GB

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR St Alban's School is looking for a Lunchtime Supervisor to supervise children in the dining and play areas during lunchtime breaks. Term Time Only. Contracted Hours Total 5 hours per week (Monday to Friday from 12pm to 1pm) https://www.eteach.com/careers/stalbanssurrey/job/lunchtime-supervisor-1368912/?lang=en-GB

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AFTER SCHOOL CLEANER

Core hours: Monday-Friday 5pm-8pm Start as soon as possible.

If you are interested in any of the vacancies above, please contact the School office on 020 8979 5893 or email admin@stalbans.surrev.sch.uk

ARE YOU DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING? Would you like to attend the monthly diocesan Mass signed in BSL, with specific Liturgical Mass Signs for the Mass? If you would like further information about our Signed Mass or the diocesan Deaf Group, please text or email the diocesan Inclusion Adviser Margaret Fraher; Mobile: 07508-459-315 or Email: margaret.fraher@abdiocese.org.uk

HOUSE OF PRAYER PROGRAMME FOR SPRING 2024. East Molesey.

https://www.christian-retreat.org/our-programme

 Building from the Foundation: exploring the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises

Saturday 23 March

Led by Dr Gemma Simmonds CJ

A retreat day exploring prayerfully the practical and theological meaning of the Principle and Foundation in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. No specialist knowledge required. Starts at 10am and finishes at 4pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Cost: £30. Overnight stay (B&B – Fri – Sat) + day retreat: £85

Sr Gemma is a sister of the Congregation of Jesus. She is a senior research fellow at the Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology in Cambridge, UK, where she is director of the Religious Life Institute, teaching Christian spirituality and pastoral theology. An international speaker and lecturer, she is an honorary fellow of Durham University, past president of the Catholic Theological Association of Great Britain and chair of trustees of the ecumenical Community of St. Anselm based at Lambeth Palace, London. Gemma is an ecumenical canon of the Church in Wales and lectured in theology at Heythrop College, University of London from 2005 until its closure in 2018, specialising in Christian spirituality. She has trained candidates for religious

life and ordination in the Catholic and Anglican churches and been a spiritual director and retreat giver for over 30 years. Gemma has been a missionary in Brazil, a chaplain in the Universities of Cambridge and London and a chaplaincy volunteer in Holloway Prison for 25 years. She is a regular broadcaster on religious matters on the BBC, Radio Maria England and other radio and television networks.

• A time to dance - embracing every season of life

Friday 19 April – Sunday 21 April Led by Alison MacTier

A weekend to explore and celebrate the changing seasons of our lives within the context of the natural world around us. We reflect on scripture, poetry, image and guided meditations. Arrive in time for supper at 7pm on Friday and depart by 4pm on Sunday. Cost: En-suite: £230 Standard: £210

Alison is Director of the Retreat Association, a spiritual director and leads regular quiet days. She has a long association with the House of Prayer as a retreatant and more recently as a guide.

Becoming Whom We Behold – Praying with Julian of Norwich

Saturday 27 April

Led by Fr Bruce Batstone
A day reflecting on the Divine Love
revealed to the Lady Julian which has much
to show us about darkness and suffering,
the beauty of creation, and God's-motherlike love. Starts at 10am and finishes at
4pm. Please bring a packed lunch.

Cost: £30. Overnight stay (B&B – Fri – Sat) + day retreat: £85

Bruce is an Anglican parish priest in North London, an Oblate and Companion of Julian of Norwich, and a Director of the Ignatian Spirituality Course, a programme taught both online, and in person at the London Jesuit Centre.

• Longing for God: Individually Guided Retreat

Friday 3 – Sunday 5 May Led by the House of Prayer Team A silent individually guided retreat for busy people, those who have not made a retreat before, or for anyone who needs time away to stop, breathe, and pray. A retreat guide will be available for daily individual meetings to accompany you through the retreat. Above all, this retreat is a time of listening to

God who is present in the experiences of prayer and daily living.

Arrive in time for supper at 7pm on Friday and depart by 4pm on Sunday.

Cost: En-suite: £220. Standard: £200 For more details or to book any of the retreats please click https://www.christian-retreat.org/our-programme

GIFT REALLY MAKES A DIFFERENCE TO OUR PARISH

Gift Aid is a UK Government initiative that allows tax relief on money donated to UK charities. Gift Aid increases the value of your donations and means that All Saints, Hersham and St Barnabas, Molesey can benefit even more at no extra cost to you! If you're a UK taxpayer, add Gift Aid whenever you make a donation and St Barnabas, Molesey and All Saints, Hersham can reclaim the basic rate of tax on your gift, currently 25p for every £1 you give. If you would like to become a Gift Aid donor please complete the Gift Aid declaration at the back of the church.

GIFT AID SCHEME To all parishioners of Hersham and Molesey who are signed up for the Parish Gift Aid Scheme, could you please contact the parish office with your email address? The reason for this is to help the parishes save costs on envelopes and postage if you opt to post them. The system was set up a long time ago, and not everyone had an email address at that time. Many thanks in advance.

AND FINALLY, if you know of anybody in difficulty, or anybody who is not receiving news or anybody who is anxious, please, please contact the parish priest who will be only too pleased to do what he can.

May the good Lord continue to bless us all. Fr Richard Biggerstaff,

Parish Priest of All Saints Hersham with St Barnabas Molesey.