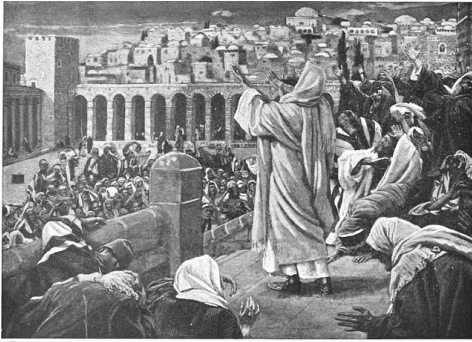


Our Lady &amp; St. Philip Neri Church, Sydenham

# NEWSLETTER

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent • Year B**Mass Book** Page 173  
**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Jeremiah 31:31-34**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Hebrews 5:7-9  
**Gospel** John 12:20-30

The Voice from Heaven.

## I will write my law on their hearts.

Christ, like a grain of wheat that dies in order to produce new life, dies for us.

Following, his example, we are called to realise that if we want eternal life we have to be prepared to give our lives to God. The Lord writes his law in our hearts and we submit humbly to his will, even in times of pain and suffering. There is no greater school in which to grow in holiness.

### Mass Times, Intentions and Feast Days

Sat	17 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm	Robert Wilde RIP	First Mass of Sunday Saint Patrick
Sun	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Anne & James Kiernan RIP	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Of Lent (B)</b>
		11.00am	Richard Marbaix RIP	
Mon	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	People of the Parish	Saint Joseph
Tue	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Domingos Vincente Rodriguez RIP	
		<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Reconciliation Service</b>	
Wed	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	Holy Souls	
Thu	22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Dorothy Sinclair RIP	
Fri	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	In honour of the Sacred Heart	
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Fr Regis</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Sat	24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Exposition and Morning Prayer</b>	
		9.30am	People of the Parish	<b>HOLY WEEK</b>
		6:30pm	Teresa & Charles Formosa RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun	25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Therese Farina RIP	<b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (B)</b>
		11.00am	Wellbeing of Mimi Parkinson	

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### Prayers

Please Pray for the sick and housebound, for those recently deceased, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Our blue book "Prayers for Wellbeing", and our black book "Prayers of Remembrance" are located at the back of the Church.

### Confession

Confession times are: Monday to Friday • 9am, Saturday • 9am and 6pm, Sunday • 9am, and by appointment.

### Collections

<i>Last Week</i>	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
£372 not Gift Aided £284 Gift Aided £300 Standing Order Gift Aided £326 raised for <b>Parish Development Fund</b>	<b>Parish Development Fund</b>	<b>KSC Charities</b>



### Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage St. George's Cathedral 16<sup>th</sup> June 2018

If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup> / 40<sup>th</sup> / 50<sup>th</sup> / 60<sup>th</sup> + wedding anniversary this year, please contact the Secretary, as soon as possible to complete a short form, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop.

### Stations of the Cross

Stations of the cross is at 7pm every Friday during Lent. Leading on **23<sup>rd</sup> March** will be Fr Regis.

The practice of following the Stations of the Cross is a special service when we follow Jesus' path through the streets of Jerusalem to his place of execution on the cross at Calvary.

All parishioners are invited to support these services, and encouraged to join in especially if their group is leading it.

### Reconciliation Service

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm**

Easter is a time to renew our relationship with Jesus and to start afresh.

In the same manner as our Spring cleaning, this is our opportunity to reflect on our life, and make note of the times where we didn't perhaps do what we should have done, or perhaps decided to take a path that wasn't as Jesus would have us take.

We can then use Tuesday as our opportunity to talk about these times, and have them forgiven in the name of Jesus, lightening our minds, just as we would cleanse our houses.

### First Holy Communion Classes

18<sup>th</sup> Mar Class initiation into Holy Week  
25<sup>th</sup> Mar No Class

### Forthcoming Meetings

24<sup>th</sup> Mar 9.30am SVP-Presbytery



### British Summer Time Begins

Don't forget, just before you go to bed next Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March, set your clocks forward one hour.

**Please do not park in the Church grounds**, this is reserved for blue badge holders, or those who need to drop off those with ability considerations. Thank you.

**During Mass**, please keep your children with you at all times, and accompany small children to the toilet.