

Ss COLUMBA & JOHN FISHER HUYTON & KNOWSLEY VILLAGE

4th Sunday of Lent - Year A
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In Your Name

Nugent is the official caring services of the Archdiocese so in all its work with children, communities and vulnerable adults Nugent is acting in our name in expressing the love and compassion of Jesus and the church to those most in need.

Nugent is a lifelong agency of love and care. Children and babies are cared for by our adoption services, children's homes, and special schools. Adults are assisted through support services for those with disabilities, our home for those with acquired brain injuries, work with the death and our community services supporting foodbanks and advice for the homeless and others in need. Older people are cared for in our care homes. Nugent can truly offer care and support from cradle to the grave.

Much of this work goes unnoticed or just happens quietly. It is good that once a year we are called to pray for the work of Nugent in our parishes and support them with a collection. Our schools regularly pray for Nugent and support them via the Good Shepherd collection throughout the year too.

I am very privileged to see the work of Nugent first hand across the whole of our Archdiocese and beyond. In some ways it is our best kept secret as a real and true expression of love, kindness and compassion. In our society today Nugent is real and true expression of the church we are called to be.



Our Journey through Lent

Stations of the Cross will be on Wednesdays starting this week.

1pm at St Columba

7pm at St John Fisher



Lenten Reflection/Study Sessions

These have been completed now. Thank you to those who led the various reflections and prayers.

Palm Sunday 2nd April Children's Activities

Craft activities and prayers for children and families

4pm at St Columba

Holy Week



Wednesday 5th April

Chrism Mass at the Cathedral at 7.30pm

Thursday 6th April - Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lords Supper 7pm at St John Fisher



Friday 7th April - Good Friday

The Passion of the Lord 3pm in BOTH churches



Saturday 8th - Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil

8.30pm at St Columba

Sunday 9th April - Easter Sunday

Easter Morning Mass

9am at St John Fisher

11am at St Columba



CAFOD Thanks

Thank you for your CAFOD donations for the Lent Family Fast Day appeal. The parish has donated £194 to CAFOD for its work supporting our poorest sisters and brothers around the world.

Masses & Services This Week

Weekend 18th/19th March

Saturday 5.30pm Mass at St JF (People of the Parish)

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (Winifred and Henry McCain)

Monday 20th March

10.30am Funeral Service for Dorothy Worthington at St JF

Tuesday 21st March

9.15am Eucharistic Service at St C

Wednesday 22nd March

9.15am Mass at St JF (Mary Garnel)

Thursday 23rd March

9.15am Mass at St C (Stephen Sutter)

Next Weekend 25th/26th March

Saturday 5.30pm Mass at St JF (Ann Whiteway)

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (People of the Parish)

Confession - available before and after Mass or by appointment

Collections: Weeks 5th Feb - 5th Mar TOTAL £1763.82
CAFOD Fast Day £194.00

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass is held in the Cathedral as part of our Holy Week celebrations. All the priests gather with the Archbishop to renew their priestly vows and also the Holy Oils of Baptism, Chrism and the Sick are consecrated and blessed for use across the Archdiocese at Baptisms, Confirmations, Ordinations and for the Anointing of the Sick. It is a very special Mass and a true gathering of the whole Archdiocese.

We have booked a coach for those who wished to attend. The Mass is on the evening of Wednesday 5th April and we will likely be leaving around 6pm. If you think you would like to go please sign up on the sheets at the back of the churches. We will ask for a donation towards the cost of the coach.

Gift Aid

As we come to the start of a new tax year can I ask if you can consider filling in a Gift Aid form if you regularly give to the parish and you pay tax. It is a simple form and your details will be kept confidential. Basically it means that we as the parish can claim from the government an extra 25p for every pound you donate at no extra cost to you. Forms are available at St Columba from Jim or see Fr Michael at St John Fisher.

We also would encourage you to consider making your payments by standing order - it makes financial planning more simple and its also a more secure way of giving. Again forms are available at both churches.

Happy Mothers Day

A Happy Mothers day to all our mothers, grandmothers and great grandmothers! We thank you for all you do for us and our families.

We also remember our mothers and grandmothers who have gone to their heavenly reward and hold them in prayer too on this special day

*Happy
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Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Les Orritt, Joan Haigh, Norma Pritchard, Loretta McDonnell, M. Rivi, Thomas Hopkins, Amy Murphy, Joseph Cameron, Sharon Whitting, Rowan Sanderson, Karen Duffy, James Murphy, Betty Stewart, Elizabeth Jones, Marie Shepherd

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are

Jan Box 0151 548 5268 and Colette Murphy 07796291485

Please contact them if you have any concerns relating to the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults in our parish.