

# NEWSLETTER

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**Monday 11th March – Sunday 17th March 2019**

**Monday 10:00am** Jim Russell R.I.P  
**Tuesday 10:00am** Fr Michael Murphy R.I.P  
**Wednesday 10:00am** Liturgy of the Word  
*Stations of the Cross immediately after liturgy*  
**7:00pm** In Thanksgiving  
**Thursday 10:00am** Victims of Abuse  
**Friday 10:00am** Fr Sean Hearty R.I.P  
*Stations of the Cross immediately after mass*  
**4.00pm** Benediction with school children attending  
**5.30 – 6.30pm Holy Hour**  
**Saturday 6:00pm** People of the Parish  
**Sunday** *Second Sunday in Lent (C)*  
**8:30am** Holy Souls  
**10:00am** Intention of Maureen Barker  
**12 noon** Peace in the World

**Confessions 2 – 4pm every Saturday, but can also be organised anytime, text 07909 140867**

## **Baptism**

*Any parents who would like their baby to be baptised, please come and register with Fr Jack, on Saturday between 2pm and 4pm in the office.*

## **South London Cares**

This Wednesday (13<sup>th</sup>), every fortnight, here in our hall from 6.00-7.30pm, is a great sing-a-long for everyone, especially older people. It is well organised by professional singers and is a very enjoyable evening, where people make friends and have a great time. If you enjoy good company come along, cup of tea also included!

## **Borough Market**

Every Saturday evening, leftover food is gathered from the market and charities are able to collect it promptly at 7pm. Are there any people with cars willing to go on a rota, to collect at this time, so that we can distribute to those in need? If you are interested in helping, please contact Agne on 07908 575074.

Fr Jack

Today's gospel reveals, I believe a very human side of Jesus.

I spent six years in college trying to figure out my vocation.

Jesus seems to have got away with 40 days. As he finished, it seems He was full of doubts in the shape of many temptations of one kind or another. Eventually he took the plunge and agreed to be baptised; the beginning of his ministry.

I also decide to take the plunge and go ahead. The father told Jesus He was the beloved Son.

The bishop agreed to call me and ask me "Jack, are you ready and willing?" I said, "Yes."

Throughout the Gospel we see Jesus having doubts and temptations now and again, I can totally sympathise with him.

But more importantly, he can empathise with us, in our temptations and doubts

But Jesus always kept the Father in his sights and referred everything back to Him.

Equally if I don't keep my eyes firmly of the Father, I am lost and so for all of us.

Take your eyes off the Father and you too will be lost. So no need to worry about doubts and temptations:

Just like a footballer if he takes his eyes off the ball - he loses.

**Anyone who lives within their understanding suffers from a lack of imagination.**

## **Sincere Thanks**

*The Spiritan Fathers send their sincere thanks and gratitude for the generosity of everyone in our parish who contributed to their Mission Appeal on 24<sup>th</sup> February. £568.00 was raised, which will greatly increase their ability to bring Christ to the poorest and most neglected people of the world.*

## **Lent**

***Lent is to help us replace consumption with sacrifice and greed with generosity.***

It is a period of spiritual 'combat', which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, penance and listening to the word of God. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism."

*-Pope Benedict XVI*