

# NEWSLETTER

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**Monday 2nd March – Sunday 8th March 2020**

Monday	10:00am	Joan Venton R.I.P
Tuesday	10:00am	Holy Souls
Wednesday	10:00am	Holy Souls
	10:30am	Stations of the Cross
	7:00pm	Marion Linda R.I.P
Thursday	10:00am	Intention of Caroline Grey
Friday	10:00am	Edward & Francis Tayler & Family R.I.P
	10:30am	Stations of the Cross
	4:00pm	Benediction
Saturday	6:00pm	People of Yemen
		<i>Second Week in Lent</i>
Sunday		
	8:30am	Fr John Castelli RIP
	10:00am	People of the Parish
	12 noon	Peace in the World

**Confessions 2 – 4pm every Saturday,  
but can be organised anytime.  
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## Special Seminar

Sacred Heart Parish, Camberwell, presents a special seminar on:

**Society, Community and Family**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March from 10.30am to 1.00pm  
at Sacred Heart School, Camberwell New  
Road SE5 0RP.

The seminar is particularly for parents; to  
build awareness and understanding of the  
problems our young people face and looking  
to find solutions to youth violence, focusing  
on prevention.

**If you happen to know any  
student(s) who are preparing for  
GCSE, or A level exams, who may  
benefit from some extra coaching,  
please let Fr Jack know. He will then  
contact Magda who teaches French,  
English Literature and English  
History at A level and English  
Language at GCSE level.  
She is very generously giving her  
time and is offering lessons free of  
charge.**

## POPE FRANCIS.

### An invitation to relationship with God

“Whoever believes this message rejects the lie  
that our life is ours to do as we will”.

Pope Francis says that during this season of  
Lent, he wants to invite the faithful to fix their  
eyes on the crucified Lord, and allow ourselves  
“to be saved over and over again”.

Jesus' Pasch is not a past event; rather, through  
the power of the Holy Spirit it is ever present,  
enabling us to see and touch with faith the flesh  
of Christ in those who suffer”.

### The importance of prayer

The Holy Father emphasises the importance of  
prayer during Lent, as a means of responding to  
God's love, “which always precedes and sustains  
us”. We are also called to hear and respond to  
the Word of Jesus, in order to experience “the  
mercy He freely gives us”.

### A commitment to building a better world

“Putting the paschal mystery at the centre of our  
lives means feeling compassion towards the  
wounds of the crucified Christ present in the  
many innocent victims of wars, in attacks on life,  
from that of the unborn to that of the elderly,  
and various forms of violence”. This means  
being personally committed to and involved in  
“the building of a better world”, Pope Francis  
concludes his message with a prayer to the  
Blessed Virgin Mary “that our Lenten  
celebration will open our hearts to hear God's  
call to be reconciled to Himself, to fix our gaze  
on the paschal mystery, and to be converted to  
an open and sincere dialogue with Him”.

**THE ONLY THING THAT OVERCOMES  
HARD LUCK IS HARD WORK.**

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Offer marriage enrichment retreats for couples  
who want to enrich their relationship and gain  
a deeper understanding of the Sacrament of  
Marriage.

It's a chance to explore your relationship at a  
deeper level, regardless of how long you have  
been together.

The next retreat is 6th - 8th March in  
Swindon. Find out more at [wwme.org.uk](http://wwme.org.uk)

### Confirmation

People wishing to be confirmed next year  
(2021), please sign up with Felicia and  
Perpetua in the Parish room, this week and  
next week.