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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	10:00am	Fr John Slater RIP
Tuesday	10:00am	John White RIP
	4:00pm	Benediction & Meditation
Wednesday	10:00am	Liturgy of the Word
	7:00pm	Michael Donnelly RIP
Thursday	10:00am	Michelle Berger RIP
		<i>Annunciation of the Lord</i>
Friday	10:00am	Maureen Doran RIP
		Stations of the Cross after mass
Saturday	6:00pm	Eileen Archbald RIP
		<i>Fourth Sunday in Lent</i>
Sunday	8:30am	Joseph & Maria
	10:00am	Regina Palat RIP
	12:00noon	People of the Parish

Ukraine

After consultation with the parish team and the parish finance committee we have agreed that we should take two Ukrainians into the parish house. This is done hopefully on your behalf and that you will see it as a parish project and not just Fr Jack's.

Stella Maris

On the one-year anniversary of the Ever Given ship getting stuck in the Suez Canal, Catholic charity Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) is hosting a webinar about modernisation in the shipping industry. It will look at the history of the container ship, the rise of the ultra-large container vessels, and explore what impact modernisation of the shipping industry has had on seafarers around the world. Please register now at

www.stellamaris.org.uk/modernisation

to join online on **23 March at 7.30pm** to hear how shipping has changed in the last century, the impact this is having on seafarers today, and the important role Stella Maris has in supporting them.

FR JACK

God is a wonderful gardener. Just look at the world he has given us and he also takes care of it. Some of us do a bit. I prefer God's Garden. Ours tend to be a bit too manicured. The joy of the forest, the variety of trees, plants and shrubs. Interconnected, feeding of each other, supporting each other and at times destroying one another. All part of nature and God's way. Not to mention the home it provides for millions of insects, animals. The roots holding water and avoiding floods and landslides.

The music in the wind and the birds and the bees. Don't you feel truly blessed?

And it runs in the family. It seems his son is an equally good gardener.

Today he does not want to cut down a "useless" fig tree. Give it another chance.

Don't you feel doubly blessed? Because He is talking about you and I.

He gives us a million chances to find happiness and life. But we often do not want to appreciate what He is doing/has done. We still want to do it our *our* way. Frank Sinatra will never be dead.

(only for the over 50's)

Success based on anything but internal fulfilment is bound to be empty.

Pecan

Alex is speaking to us at the 8.30am and 12noon masses on 20 March about Pecan. I hope somebody will volunteer to be our parish representative. Don't forget our Lenten fast this year is for Pecan, so I hope you are putting something in your container every day to make your faith more practical and real.

Lent

I hope your Lenten resolutions are holding up under the strain. If you are weakening or feel your not measuring up, don't worry you are in good company. Re-commit.