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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 10:00am Ngo Thi Ly
Tuesday 10:00am Bernard & Monica Mary Head FM
Wednesday 10:00am Liturgy of the Word

Stations of the Cross immediately after the Liturgy

7:00pm For Yeman
Thursday 10:00am Arthur Marlow
4:00pm **Benediction with school children and their parents.**

CAFOD Fast Day

Friday 10:00am Intention of Jennie Luchmun
Stations of the Cross immediately after Mass

Second Sunday in Lent

Saturday 6:00pm Bernard Topp FM
Sunday 8:30am Maureen Lea RIP
10:00am People of the Parish
12:00noon Private intention

Baptism of babies

There will be a meeting for parents of babies after Mass on Wednesday evening at 7:30pm

Retired and Sick Clergy Support Fund

Second collection today for the above cause.

Something special for Lent

Weekday Masses are very poorly supported, I am sure with a bit of effort a lot more people could come at 10am in the morning, if not every day, I'm sure you could do one or two days a week. God can do wonders with prayer and if you don't need them, the World needs them, please.

**Archdiocese of Southwark Lent Retreat 2023
"Renewed in Hope"**

Make some space to develop your relationship with God this Lent. Sign up for the Diocesan Lent Retreat "Renewed in Hope". Every week you will receive an email with links to a 20-minute video in which Archbishop John will introduce the theme and the reading, Chris Chapman will deliver the retreat programme and a witness will speak of the relevance in their daily life. You will also receive materials to use in your prayer and reflection. Please sign up here <http://eepurl.com/hVT7Dv>

Fr Jack

The Garden of Eden. What a beautiful place it was. The clear message here is that God creates. Six days or six million years. Who knows? No one and no one cares.

1. **But what is important is that God did create.** What the writer (probably Moses) is really trying to tell us is that God is crazy about us. He gave us a wonderful, beautiful world to enjoy.

In short God creates.

2. **He created us to be happy.** That's why he gave us a beautiful place.

3. Adam (men) and Eve (women) they/we **did something to upset the plan.** They/we did not LISTEN to God, in other words they did their own thing.

Every time we sin we ratify what they did. So don't blame them. We are all guilty.

4. **God plans to restore the relationship.** He is going to send his son Jesus Christ to undo what was done. So let us now LISTEN to him and not continue to wreck each other and the universe.

Failure is just another way to learn how to do something right.

Pilgrimage

There seems to be very little interest in going to the Holy Land in October, so please let me know your thoughts.

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy to the family of Maureen Barker who died recently. Funeral Mass at 1pm on Wednesday 15th March.

The Pope says "Gossiping is terrorism because the person who gossips is like a terrorist who throw a bomb and walks away, destroying: they destroy with their tongue, they don't make peace.