# NEWSLETTER

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# Monday 25th March - Sunday 31st March 2019

# The Annunciation of the Lord

Monday10:00amCn Eric Flood R.I.PTuesday10:00amIntention of DonorWednesday10:00amLiturgy of the Word

Stations of the Cross immediately after liturgy

7:00pm Regina Palat R.I.P

Thursday
 10:00am Fr Thomas Foley R.I.P
 Friday
 Stations of the Cross immediately after mass

**4.00pm** Benediction with school

children attending

5.30 - 6.30pm Holy Hour

**Saturday** 6:00pm Michael & Margaret

Maloney R.I.P

Sunday Forth Sunday in Lent (C)

8:30am People of the Parish10:00am Peace in the World12 noon Self-righteousness

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

# **Family Life International**

There is a Catholic Conference at St George's Cathedral on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

The theme is "Why be a Catholic?"
There will be four presentations. You will learn about the reasons to be faithful, despite the times we live in and the difficulties as a Church we are going through.

To register and for further information: www.familyandlife.co.uk or 0208 857 9950

### Missio

Would all Red Box holders please collect their Spring magazine, which is in one of the brown envelopes. Also empty your box into the envelope and return it to church with your name and address. Many thanks.

### Fr Jack

Often in the face of natural disaster, people in the name of religion begin to blame God.

When a tsunami, cyclone, flood or drought hit certain places, we say they were bad people, they deserve no better.

Our God, the God of Jesus, is not a vindictive God.
They also may say, "The Will of God, God's plan."
God cannot even think evil.

How we cope is a completely different question..

Jesus in today's gospel is faced with two contemporary disasters: Pilate and the Galileans and then the Tower of Siloam.

Jesus does not waste time in trying to answer. He moves it on to the bigger question of repentance.

Tragedy often leads to bad theology about God and humanity. Jesus tells us we have been given choices. Use the experience to choose repentance, to turn away from sin.

He uses a parable about a fig tree that we must produce fruit.

This Lent let us use the opportunity that God has given us AGAIN, to produce fruit.

# Rise above the storm and you will find the sunshine.

# Pilgrimage to Fatima

Trip to Fatima for 7 nights from 30<sup>th</sup> May.

#### Final Call

So far we have ten people going, please let Fr Jack know today, if you would like to go to Fatima.

# Confirmation

We will be having Confirmation on 7<sup>th</sup> April. If any adult has not been confirmed, come and see me. a.s.a.p.

It is a necessary requirement for marriage.

# **Manna Centre**

Next Sunday the Knights of St Columba will be here giving out posters for Easter and collecting for their Manna Centre.

# **Mothers Day**

Next Sunday is Mother's Day, so be kind to your mother; breakfast in bed and a bunch of flowers!