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6-14 February 2016

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Saturday	6 Feb	6.30pm	FIRST MASS of SUNDAY: Thanksgiving - Sumitra	
Sunday	7 Feb	9.00am	Anthony Godfrey & Mary Susilada RIP	<u>5TH SUNDAY of the YEAR (C)</u>
		11.00am	Gerald Balzan RIP - A & M Diedo	
		5.00pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
Monday	8 Feb	9.00am	Constantina Balzan RIP - Andrew & Monica Diedo	
		2.00pm	- 3.00pm MEDUGORJE PRAYER GROUP	
		6.00pm	- 7.00pm <u>CONFIRMATION CLASS</u>	
Tuesday	9 Feb	9.00am	Eileen & Colin Ryall RIP (F.M.)	
Wednesday	10 Feb	10.00am	Rita Marsden RIP	<u>ASH WEDNESDAY</u>
		12.00pm	DARENT VALLEY HOSPITAL: Private Int.	(Distribution of Ashes)
		7.00pm	DEVOTION: STATIONS of the CROSS	
		8.00pm	Canon Richard Quinlan RIP	
Thursday	11 Feb	9.00am	Catherine M Alexander RIP - M.J.	
Friday	12 Feb	8.15am	DARENT VALLEY HOSPITAL: Holy Souls	
		9.00am	Private Intention - Berlyn Joseph	
		4.00pm	DEVOTION: STATIONS of the CROSS	
		4.15pm	- 8.00pm Junior Club (Skiing)	
Saturday	13 Feb	10.00am	John Stevenson RIP - Stevenson & Green Family	
		6.30pm	FIRST MASS of SUNDAY: Good Estate of Bridget Neylon - Mary Kelly	
Sunday	14 Feb	9.00am	Andrew Creighton RIP - Creighton Family	<u>1st SUNDAY of LENT (C)</u>
		11.00am	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
		2.00pm	Syro-Malabar Mass	
		4.00pm	DEVOTION: STATIONS of the CROSS	
		5.00pm	Jimmy Gately RIP	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Every Sat from 10.30am -11.00am and 5.45pm - 6.15pm

DAILY EXPOSITION: Mon to Fri 8.30am - 9.00am

TEA ROTA: check your new rota

CLEANING TEAMS: 13.02.16 Team'E'(E Ranson, D Marshall, L Goode), 20.02.16 Team'F'(G Rabino,C Elazagui, D Teves, J Fe, K A Galang)

LENT: In Lent we are invited to join Jesus in the desert for the next forty days. During this time we are being invited to pray and fast in a particular way. The Church assists us to do so by fasting on Fridays and to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Lent calls us to make an extra effort for a truly meaningful Lent. Some extra things one can do is Religious reading, attending a weekly Mass, participate in the devotion of the Stations of the Cross, as advertised in the newsletter or a private devotion, giving alms to a needy cause, partake in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, attend Lent Talks in the Parish on the subject of 'MERCY'.

ASH WEDNESDAY: This Wednesday 10th February is Ash Wednesday. It is a day of FAST AND ABSTINANCE. It marks the beginning of Lent.

Poor Parishes Collection: Next weekend a second collection will be held for 'Poor Parishes'. This collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the smaller parishes in the Diocese

LENT TALKS: Last week it was announced that a series of Lent Talks will take place in the Parish. A Joint Lent Course on The MERCY of GOD - LENT 2016. We will again be holding a weekly course for Lent. The course will be held for five Thursdays during Lent. As we are in the Jubilee Year of Mercy, at Pope Francis' invitation we will be exploring the theme of mercy.

(1) 18.02.16 Introduction to the theme: What is Mercy? (2) 25.02.16 God's mercy: therapy, healing & salvation

(3) 03.03.16 The Corporal Works of Mercy (4) 10.03.16 The Spiritual Works of Mercy

(5) 17.03.16 The Cross, Sign of God's Mercy

Our session will begin at 7.30pm and finish at about 8.45. Venue: St Vincent's Parish Centre, Temple Hill, Dartford DA1 5HU.

Deacon Tom Berrie & Fr Pat Zammit will lead the sessions. They will consist of an introduction, where Deacon Tom or Fr Pat will share the basic message of a particular chapter, a coffee break and the opportunity for questions and discussion.

SUMMER FETE (CORRECTION - 4th JUNE 2016) Due to a National event celebration the date for the Summer Fete has been changed from 11th JUNE 2016 to the 4th JUNE 2016.

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS: St Anselm's Primary School will be collecting these vouchers which will be distributed with shopping in Sainsbury's from 27th Jan - 3rd May. Please kindly put any vouchers in the voucher box at the back of the Church.

DEVOTION: STATIONS of the CROSS: The devotion to the Stations of the CROSS presents us with a time for indepth meditation on the love of Jesus for humanity through his physical and mental anguish from the moment he entered the Garden of Gethsemane to his Crucifixion and death.

Penitential Service Weekend:

Saturday	27.02.16	5.45-6.30pm	Reconciliation & MASS
Sunday	28.02.16	8.30-9.00am	Reconciliation & MASS
		10.30-11.00am	Reconciliation & MASS
		4.30-5.00pm	Reconciliation & MASS

For the Year of Mercy we have a special programme for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The focus of this Service is our Sacramental reconciliation with God. Here we acknowledge the God of love and forgiveness. There will be a five minute liturgical service followed by Sacramental Confession. If necessary confessions will continue during the next Mass. This is a special time with particular concession. I encourage as many parishioners to avail themselves of God's mercy.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY: 31.01.16 - £926.11