

# Fisher House Newsletter

Sunday 7 March – Third Sunday of Lent



Day	Time	Other Information
Sunday	7 March 9:30am 11:15am 5.30pm	Third Sunday of Lent Sung Latin Mass ( <i>Novus Ordo</i> ) Fr Alban Sung English Mass – Fr Alban Said English Mass – Fr Alban
Monday	8 March 11.00am 5:15pm	Requiem Mass at OLEM for Emile Perreau-Saussine. NB NO 12.15pm Mass at Fisher House Low Mass in the Extraordinary Form
Tuesday	9 March 1:05pm	Mass
Wednesday	10 March 1:05pm	Mass
Thursday	11 March 1:05pm	Mass
Friday	12 March 1:05pm	Mass
Saturday	13 March 1:05pm 4.30-5.15pm	Mass Confessions in the Chapel
Sunday	14 March 9:30am 11:15am	Fourth Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday Sung Latin Mass ( <i>Novus Ordo</i> ) Sung English Mass PLEASE NOTE NO EVENING MASS

CAMBRIDGE WAS GLORIOUSLY VICTORIOUS IN THE CAMBRIDGE CHAPLAINCY V OXFORD CHAPLAINCY FOOTBALL MATCH LAST SUNDAY

BRAND NEW FISHER HOUSE STASH ON SALE High quality, blue embroidered Polo shirts, all sizes available, including a limited number of women's cut. Only £10 each. Available after mass or email [ms811@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ms811@cam.ac.uk).

FISHER HOUSE TIES, all silk, with coat of arms.  
Price: £22.50

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SVP

The SVP will hold an auction of promises in the bar early next term to raise money for Haiti. If you would like to donate a material prize (a bottle or wine, restaurant vouchers etc) or a talent (cooking a special meal, or painting a portrait etc) for auction, please email Emily at [fisherhouse\\_svp1833@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:fisherhouse_svp1833@yahoo.co.uk). Thank you!

#### Monday 8 March

12.45pm: lunch in the Library  
PLEASE NOTE: NO 12.15pm MASS AT FISHER HOUSE NOR CATHOLICISM FOR THE CURIOUS due to Requiem Mass at OLEM for Dr Emile Perreau-Saussine, former member of Fisher House and Fellow of Fitz.  
5.15: Low Mass in the Extraordinary Form  
6.00pm: Graduate Society: Professor Jonathan Riley-Smith will speak on *Crusading and Catholicism*. Followed by drinks. All welcome.

#### Tuesday 9 March

1.30pm: lunch in the Library.  
5.15pm: Low Mass in the Extraordinary Form  
6.00pm: Poetry, Form and Faith with Sr Anna Mary OP and Prof Howard Erskine-Hill, in the library. The topic for this last meeting of the term will be: *Gerard Manley Hopkins's The Wreck of the Deutschland* All welcome.

#### Wednesday 10 March

RUSSIAN ORTHODOX NUNS FROM BELARUS will be selling icons, crucifixes, CDs, Russian painted dolls, pottery and much else before & after the 1.05pm Mass today. Proceeds to the construction of St Elizabeth Convent. For more information [www.obitel-minsk.by](http://www.obitel-minsk.by)

1.30pm: lunch in the Library.  
6.00pm: PLEASE NOTE: NO BIBLE STUDY GROUP

#### Thursday 11 March

1.30pm: lunch in the Library.  
6.00pm: St Thomas Aquinas Discussion Group Led by Sr Valery, in the dining room. This week's topic: *Following Christ: Virtue*. All welcome.  
6.30pm: SVP meeting in the library. All Welcome.

#### Friday 12 March

1.30 pm: lunch in the Library.  
3.00pm: THE WAY OF THE CROSS IN THE CHAPEL  
7.00pm: Lectio Divina, led by James Moroney, in the dining room. All welcome.  
8.30-11.00: Bar Open All welcome.  
END OF FULL TERM

PLEASE NOTE: NEXT SUNDAY'S MASSES WILL BE AT 9.30AM & 11.15PM ONLY

THIS IS THE LAST NEWSLETTER OF THE TERM.

## On Forgiving Early

No law of our Redeemer is more openly transgressed, or more industriously evaded, than that by which he commands his followers to forgive injuries, and prohibits, under the sanction of eternal misery, the gratification of that desire which every man feels of returning any pain that he suffers upon him that inflicts it. Many who could have conquered their anger are unable to combat their pride and pursue offences to the extremity of vengeance, only lest they should be insulted by the triumph of an enemy....

It is easiest to forgive while there is yet little to be forgiven. A single injury may be soon dismissed from the memory, but a long succession of ill-offices by degrees associates itself with every idea, and a long contest will involve so many circumstances, that every place and every action will recall it to the mind, and fresh remembrance of vexation must still enkindle rage and irritate revenge.

A wise man will make haste to forgive, because he who knows the true value of time will not suffer it to pass away in unnecessary pain. He that willingly suffers the corrosions of inveterate hatred, and gives up his days and nights to the gloom of malice and perturbations of stratagem, cannot surely be said to consult his ease. Resentment is union of sorrow with malignity, a combination of passion which all endeavour to avoid, with a passion which all concur to detest. The man who retires to mediate mischief, and to exasperate his own rage, whose thoughts are employed only on scenes of distress and contrivances of ruin, whose mind never pauses from the remembrance of his own sufferings, but to indulge some hope of enjoying the miseries of another, may justly be numbered among the most miserable of human beings, among those who are guilty without reward, who have neither the gladness of prosperity, nor the calm of innocence....

Of him that hopes to be forgiven, it is indispensably required that he forgive; it is therefore superfluous to urge any other motive; on this great duty, eternity is suspended; and to him that refuses to practise it, the throne of mercy is inaccessible, and the Saviour of the World has been born in vain.

*Dr Samuel Johnson 1709-84, Rambler 185, 24 December 1751*