

This Week's Events

This week at the Chaplaincy...

Mon 16th Feb

10am-2pm UoM Living Wage Cake Sale – Come and visit the stall run by UoM Living Wage Campaign to raise awareness of people working at the university who are not being paid the minimum wage.

7pm SVP – Voluntary work with the homeless, in local primary schools, visiting the elderly or working with people with learning disabilities.

7.30pm Valentines Seminar: Love, Relationships & Marriage –

Refreshments at 7pm followed by a discussion seminar on the topic. All are welcome.

Tues 17th Feb

10am-12pm Foodbank – The only student-run Foodbank in the Country serving the local community in crisis (also Weds & Friday 10am-12pm).

12-5pm SVP Pancake Fundraiser – Come along and support the SVP and their work by enjoying our amazing pancakes!

7pm Taize Pilgrimage Information Night – We intend to join 8,000 young people from all over Europe this Easter at the ecumenical community of Taize in France – if you are interested come and find out more!

7pm - Foodbank Trustee meeting

Ash Weds 18th Feb

1.05pm & 6pm Mass in Church – Ash Wednesday a Holy Day of Obligation – we have both masses in the church .

4pm Committee meeting

Please contact Fr Tim if you would like some business to be or are interested being on the committee

7pm RCIA Group You are welcome to join our expanding group who are being received into the church at Pentecost

Thursday 19th Feb

1-4pm Foodbank Training – Find out how our Foodbank works and how you can help.

Friday 20th Feb

12.30pm Stations of the Cross – During Lent we will remember these in the church every Friday

7pm Catholic Film Club – Come and join us for the screening of Babel. FREE refreshments provided.

Sat 21st Feb

11.30am Visit to a local Mosque – Our first interfaith event of the semester meet at Chaplaincy

Sun 22nd Feb

7pm Mass followed by Dinner – Join us for good food and company!

THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

Tuesday – “Shrove Tuesday” is so called from the verb “shrive” which means to grant absolution from sin. We are encouraged to go to confession some time during Lent as a spiritual preparation for Easter.

In the calendar of Saints we remember the Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order and we pray for the Servite communities around the world.

Wednesday – “Ash Wednesday” is named after the custom of receiving ashes at Mass as a sign of repentance and humility. Today is the solemn inauguration of the forty days of Lent and is a day of fasting and abstinence. The three Lenten practices based on today's Gospel reading are: prayer, fasting and alms-giving.

Friday – Today we begin the weekly Stations of the Cross which will be held every Friday in Lent at 12.30pm. Images of the Way of the Cross were originally erected on church walls to enable the faithful to make a “spiritual pilgrimage”



SILENT SATURDAY 28th February 2015, 8am - 8pm

A ONE DAY, SILENT RETREAT designed to offer students and staff a chance to spend a day in prayerful reflection, receive guidance on prayer, and take time out from busy everyday life. This is a free retreat.

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITIES CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY
Avila House and Holy Name Church, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 0HY

RETREAT INFORMATION SESSION
Friday 27th February, 6:30pm

MORE INFO AND SIGN UP www.muscc.org



Last week the Foodbank fed a total of **63 people.**

We provided emergency relief for 45 adults and 18 children in crisis.

To help us continue our work please email: manfoodbank@yahoo.com



Our SVP group fed **60** homeless people across three soup runs in to the city-centre last week. If you want to help keep this number growing please contact: svp.muscc@outlook.com

Shrove Tuesday



Tues 17th February

PANCAKE SALE

If you would like to help us on the day please email us at general.muscc@gmail.com or just come along on Tuesday!



12PM - 5PM

Come along for
amazing
Pancakes!

Catholic
Chaplaincy,
Oxford Road

All proceeds
will go to the
SVP

Everyone
Welcome!



Clara (Jesuit Missions) & Hugh a former volunteer giving a presentation on international placements (contact clara@jesuitmissions.org.uk for more info)

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Lent Begins on Wednesday

Lent is a great season of renewal and lasts for forty days before Easter (Sundays are not included in the Lenten season as we celebrate the Resurrection every Sunday). The 40 days of Lent mimic Jesus's 40 days in the wilderness as he prepared for his Public Mission. This 40 day period which is significant in the Bible led to the word 'quarantine'.

During Lent Catholics are asked to do 3 things, Give to the Poor, Pray a bit More, Fast. With our SVP group and the Foodbank there are many opportunities to help with poverty. The SVP meet at the chaplaincy every Monday at 7pm. For prayer, apart from Daily Mass we have Stations of the Cross every Friday in the Church at 12.30. Also why not try downloading daily prayer from pray-as-you-go.org?

I am constantly being asked for the Rules for Fasting. Ash Weds and Good Friday we are obliged to fast – limiting ourselves to one meal as long as it is safe and wise to. Also during the Fridays of Lent to abstain from meat.

Taize A group from the chaplaincy will be spending Holy week in France at the community of Taize – famous for attracting young people from all over Europe and also for its beautiful music. On Tuesday night after the Taize Prayer we will be having an information evening at 7pm – if you're interested please come as we will have to book soon to keep the price down.

Finally look out for info on Pancake Day(Tues) , the Catholic Film Club and a visit to a mosque this week.

You can now register with the Chaplaincy for regular updates on areas you are interested in – www.muscc.org/register