

This Week's Events

This week at the Chaplaincy...

Mon 23rd Feb

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

Tues 24th Feb

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

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

7.15pm Catholic Writers Guild (NW) –

Come along to the Chaplaincy for a talk by Brian Sudlow on 'French Catholic Literature in the Modern World. All are welcome.

Weds 25th Feb

SVP Intergenerational Meal – We are cooking lunch for the elderly in the local community to attend. If you would like to attend or volunteer, please email: svp.muscc@outlook.com

7pm RCIA Group – You are welcome to join our expanding group who are interested in learning about the Catholic Faith

Thursday 26th Feb

7pm CLC Group – Ignatian Prayer see Fr William for more info

7pm Postgraduate Dinner – Come and meet fellow Catholics who are studying their postgrad degree

7pm Lent Talks 1: Trying to Live the 'Good Life' Problems in Contemporary Ethical Discourse

First in the series of Lent Talks by Fr Tim Valentine – for more information see the front page

Friday 27th Feb

7pm International Night – To celebrate the wonderful international Community that is the chaplaincy – come along with some food from your country to share with others email solene.decherisey@hotmail.fr for more information.

Sat 28th Feb

8am-8pm Silent Saturday – A ONE DAY SILENT RETREAT designed to offer students & staff the chance to spend a day in prayerful reflection, receive guidance on prayer, and take time out from busy every-day life. It is FREE to attend.

11am-5pm Compass Points: 'Loving Freely' The Vow of Chastity – A day of reflection & prayer, with the opportunity to meet religious individuals who have given their life to God.

THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

*This week the Liturgy is devoted to the first week of Lent and all of our readings and prayers focus on the meaning of Lent. However, on Monday 23rd we remember **St. Polycarp** in the calendar of saints. He was a Bishop of Smyrna and was martyred around 160AD and there is a very strong tradition that he was consecrated by St. John the Apostle and Evangelist. They both lived into their 80s!*

NEXT SATURDAY IS Silent Saturday – See Fr Ian if you would like to take part.

Also from 11-5pm in the Church is a workshop on 'Loving Freely' if you are interested : maryannefcj@gmail.com



Our SVP group fed **48** 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



Last week the Foodbank fed a total of **64 people**. We provided emergency relief for 36 adults and 28 children in crisis. To help us continue our work please email: mancfoodbank@yahoo.com



This Weeks Fascinating Visit to the Manchester Central Mosque



Ash Wednesday #Ashtags



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Lenten Talks

Fr Tim Valentine SJ will be delivering our Lent Talks this year. As Lent is a time of moral renewal the theme is on Trying to Live a Good Life. Fr Tim who has previously taught moral philosophy at Fordham University in New York introduces them below.

"We do not act rightly because we have virtue; rather, we have virtue because we act rightly." Aristotle

Most of us would probably agree that ethics is essential to living a genuinely human life, but there is great disagreement today about what "ethics" means. Contemporary debates over issues regarding human life, family, and war become more complicated and acrimonious when different approaches to morality--often based on unexamined presumptions--come into conflict.

In this series, we will address the problematic nature of ethical discourse, compare the "starting points" of various schools of thought, and propose features of ethical conversation that seeks consensus amongst p

Discussion is greatly encouraged!

The Lent Talks begin on Thursday and continue for the next four weeks. Talks begin at 7pm in the chaplaincy. All are welcome to attend all – or even just one or two if convenient.

The themes covered are :

- Week I: The Problem and a Response
- Week II: Ethics of Doing and Ethics of Knowing
- Week III: Ethics of Agreeing and Ethics of Caring
- Weeks VI: Ethics of Virtue

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

