

## Notices

**Refreshments** are served in the hall after the service.

**Thursday Eucharist** this week at 10am.

**A message from our friends at St. John's, Isleworth** Café Together is running at St John's Church Hall, Isleworth on Wednesday evenings from 6.30pm-8.30pm until 22nd February. A free hot meal and warm space awaits. And if you want to talk through whatever is troubling you, we are ready to listen and assist if we can. You will be our guest at Café Together and will be welcomed as part of our family. We will provide a hot, home cooked meal that has been prepared by our wonderful cooks. Our Café team are also there to chat – and if you have a story you want to tell, or a problem you need to share, they are there to listen. They may also be able to provide some friendly advice or point you in the right direction for a particular issue.

**Licensing of the new Bishop of Kensington** is on Sunday February 19th at 3pm at St. Barnabas' church, Addison Road, Kensington.

**Ash Wednesday** is Wednesday February 22nd. Mass with ashing that day at 7.30pm.

**Lent group—advance notice** will begin on Tuesday February 28th at 7.30pm and continue on the following four Tuesdays. Details to follow.

**Next Sunday, February 5th, at 11am**

**Candlemas—Presentation of Christ in the Temple**

*Readings:* Malachi 3.1-5; Hebrews 2.14-end; Luke 2.22-40

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## St. Francis of Assisi, Isleworth

**Candlemas—**

**Presentation of Christ**

**in the Temple**

**Sunday January 29th 2023**



Today's festival ends the cycle of the Church's year that began at Christmas. We have travelled to Bethlehem, seen angels, shepherds, wise men, and then seen the adult Jesus be baptised and shown to be the Son of God. Now, we are again with Jesus as an infant as he is brought into his Father's house and acclaimed as glory and light to the world. Yet, it is said that he will suffer. One last look back to Christmas, and then we turn to Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

### For your prayers

For Christ to be known as the light for all peoples

For the Church especially Sarah our bishop, and Bishop Emma Ineson, to be Bishop of Kensington from February 19th

For the mission of the Church

For peace in our world and especially in the Holy Land

For the King, national and devolved government in the UK

For all affected by industrial disputes

For the sick, and for health and social care under pressure at this time

For the departed especially recently Peg Smith.