

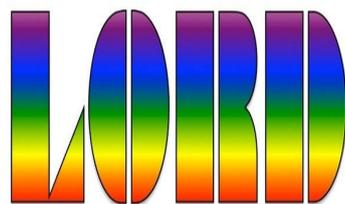
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1st Sunday in Lent (Year C) 6th March 2022

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5th March	Vigil: 1st Sunday in Lent	6.00pm	John Crowle RIP
Sunday 6th March	1st Sunday in Lent	8.30am	Joe Chapman RIP
		10.30am	People of the Parish
Tuesday 8th March	Lent Feria	7.00pm	Yvonne O'Neill Ints
Wednesday 9th March	Lent Feria	9.15am	Vetti Vettivelu RIP
Thursday 10th March	Lent Feria	9.15am	Joel Gallagher RIP
Friday 11th March	Lent Feria	9.15am	Ron Baker RIP
Saturday 12th March	Vigil: 2nd Sunday in Lent	6.00pm	Brian Connolly RIP

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon:	When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.
Responsorial Psalm:	Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.
Gospel Acclamation:	Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Next week's Readings:	Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18, Psalm 26, Philippians 3:17-4.1, Luke 9:28-36 <i>CONFESSIONS Saturday 5.30, or see Fr John.</i>

Fr John writes: **"Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days."** (Luke 4)

Lent was the old English word for the spring season. It reminds us of the forty days spent by Jesus in the wilderness at the beginning of his public ministry during which he was tempted by the devil. Jesus is united with us in our struggles against sin: "For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathise with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sinning." (Hebrews 4:15).

Lent gives us an opportunity to turn again to the Lord and to become more like him. It is an opportunity to open our hearts to God; to close our hearts to temptations to indifference and self-sufficiency and open them to love God and those around us.

The Church recommends prayer, fasting and almsgiving as things to be embraced in Lent.

Prayer allows us to make a special effort to talk to God and to listen to his call at this time. We might make a special effort to attend Mass on weekdays or join in praying before the blessed sacrament. We don't have to be in Church to pray – we can raise our hearts to God anywhere – at home or whilst travelling. The people of Ukraine will be in our thoughts and prayers this Lent.

Fasting or acts of self-denial or abstinence, challenges our desire for self-gratification; it allows us not to take for granted the gifts that we have received and to realise that we don't have to buy or consume to find happiness.

Almsgiving provides an opportunity for us to share from the abundance of our resources with those who are less fortunate. It reminds us that we show our love for God in how we care for others. We might find time to make a special effort to help someone we know personally by some act of charity or service.

May this Lent be for us a journey of true conversion, standing beside our brothers and sisters in need, embracing Christ's victory over sin and death in our own lives.

Our prayers are asked for Helen Birch and Tom O'Connor for the success of their hospital treatment.

UKRAINE



Cafod, along with British Red Cross, Oxfam and other leading UK charities are supporting the Disasters Emergency Committee in providing for families in the conflict in Ukraine.



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Donations may be made at dec.org.uk

Family Fast Day 11th March 2022

We are encouraged on Family Fast Day to skip a meal and make a donation to help the hungry. Your small act of love can make a difference to communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition.



Use the Cafod envelopes at the back of the church or visit cafod.org.uk/lent



This lent, Greg Birch is fighting malnutrition by taking part in the Walk against Hunger challenge. He'll be walking 200km during lent to raise money for CAFOD's work around the world. You can make a donation in support at <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/walk-against-hunger1343>.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May 2022 at 3pm.

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) Wedding Anniversary of Catholic Marriage in 2022. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give the parish office the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email) By Sunday 27th March please

Marriage enrichment

Are you looking for ways to enrich, nurture and refresh your relationship. Do you need an oasis moment? Worldwide Marriage Encounter <https://wwme.org.uk/> now provide in-person and virtual (Zoom) enrichment weekends.

Cana Welcome <https://www.chemin-neuf.org.uk/programmes/cana/cana-welcome/>

Parish Office changes

We welcome Linda Grimes who has joined us as our new Parish Administrator. She is very much looking forward to meeting you all. Jacky is helping with the handover and everyone will be pleased to know that she is continuing in the parish bookkeeping role.

It is no longer necessary to book for Mass at weekends. The latest advice from the Bishop's conference is that face masks may continue to be worn in Church. For the time being we continue to recommend the wearing of masks whilst Covid infections locally continue to be at significant levels.

The Financials.... *Total offertory for the month of January*
Envelopes £1,047.09
Loose Plate £ 895.20
Standing Orders £1,642.50

Last Year's offertory for January
Envelopes £692.01 Loose plate £655.70
Standing Orders £914.50
Thank you