14TH MARCH 2021
+4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



'For God so loved the world that he sent his only Son'

If ever someone was going to remember the chapter and verse of a line from the Bible it would be very good to pick John 3:16 – For God so loved the world that he sent his only Son. In fact the line continues by saying – so that everyone who believes in him would not perish but have eternal life. This really sums up the whole of the Gospel message in a few words. This is the heart of what has been the hope and faith of Christians for the last 2000 years. It has been their reason for living, for loving and for not a small number, for dying. The Christian person does not find meaning by thinking they are better than everyone else but they do live a life which they believe is based on the truth. This truth is that this world is created by God, a God who desires that we know his love and share it with one another. This is the meaning of life. Christianity also sees that because of our failure to love, which we call sin, this world needs to be saved and this is what God has done through Jesus Christ. During Lent, as we prepare for Easter, we particularly try to renew our lives so that they conform more and more to what God desires for us. The first commandment is to love the God who sent us his Son, who died for us so that we would not perish. The strength and help we find by loving God allows us to also express that love in our lives and to be a presence of good in the world. God sent his Son, not just for the world in general, but in love for each one of us. We are precious to God and as Christians we are called to let God guide our lives so that his Son, Jesus will help us in all our needs and lead us to our eternal home in heaven. Especially in this time of need, let us be grateful to God for sending Jesus to us, and pray to be able to follow him more faithfully in our lives.

God bless

Fr Martin

The Passage's mission and work is developing to cope with more people becoming homeless it is raising funds through the Big Give from 12 noon **Tues 16th March – 12 noon Wed 24th March** to support **No Night Out** a new initiative to take newly homeless people off the street straight away.
Further details of the work please visit www.passage.org.uk.

Double your Donation, Double your impact. This is a matched giving scheme for online donations. If someone (can be company, individual or trust) gave £10 online matched giving of £10 would bring the Gift up to £20 (and for individuals to £22.50 with Gift Aid with higher rate tax relief it may cost the donor less than £10). For more information ring Andrew Hollingsworth 020 75921886 andrew.h@passage.org.uk

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*****100 CLUB MEMBERSHIP*****

Good luck to all our members!!

MASS INTENTIONS
+4th SUNDAY OF LENT
Confessions by request any day after mass

SUNDAY 14TH MARCH
6:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) EDDIE MOLLY RIP A
09:30AM ANN MCDONAGH RIP A
11:30AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY 15TH MARCH
09:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM HOLY SOULS

TUESDAY 16TH MARCH
09:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM TOMMIE LOFTUS RIP A

WEDNESDAY 17TH MARCH
09:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM INTS OF PATRICK GUILFOYLE

THURSDAY 18TH MARCH
10:00-11:00AM ROSARY & EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

FRIDAY 19TH MARCH 2021
09:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30am INTS OF ERYL D'SOUZA

SATURDAY 20TH MARCH 2021
09:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM IN THANKSGIVING D'SOUZA FAMILY

Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

+5TH SUNDAY OF LENT
SUNDAY 21ST MARCH 2021
06:00PM SATURDAY (VIGIL) EDDIE MOLLOY RIP A
09:30am PATRICIA BROOKS RIP LD
11:30am INTS OF MARIAN & JOZEF RIP A

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Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers:

Katie Murchan, Vincent Fernandes, Duncan Webster, Pedro Johns, Paul Wazny, William O'Shea, Daisy Cunningham, Bianca Malheiros-Fauz, Kundan Singhoraya, Sarah Dunning, Eamonn Kearney, Ruby Bastiampillai, Peggy McMahon, Delores Walsh, Kitty Goldie, Kathleen Dunleavy and those in our local nursing homes; and for our housebound parishioners, especially Katie Loftus.

Please let us know if you wish to add or remove any names on the sick list.

For those who have died recently: Kathleen Sullivan, Olive Law, Lourdes Desouza, Jeyrani John Pillai, Debbie Williams and Lynda Rodricks.

For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time: Phyllis Barnes, Reg Davies and Grace Carey

CHILDRENS LITURGY, 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT: This week we learn about light and darkness. Bertie has some good answers and makes his own lantern. Perhaps you could have a go too!

https://youtu.be/44-oDfANH4U

CHILDREN'S GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE… message to our families about the Children's Good Friday Service: while we are unable this year to hold this lovely service in its usual form, we would very much like to involve the children and young people of the Parish in producing a beautiful virtual service. We are looking for contributions of art - pictures of the Stations of the Cross, or any other Good Friday inspired art, and prayers. We would love to receive these contributions from young people of all ages. If your family would like to take part in this, please contact Jane at jinglese@btinternet.com for more details. Let's make something together which will be really special. Thank you.

Church Cleaning Volunteers Appeal
You will all be aware of the need to maintain cleanliness of Church under Covid 19 regulations. We are in need of volunteers to give approximately one hour per fortnight on a Thursday at 7pm. If you can help, please see forms in narthex for contact information or contact Pat on 0208 429 3943 e-mail pat.faille@btinternet.com.