



Our Lady, Queen of Heaven
Roman Catholic Church
Queensway

Second Sunday of Lent
1 March 2026

**TIMES OF HOLY MASS
FOR THE COMING WEEK**

SAT	4.15 pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 5.15</i>
	5.30 pm	Private Intention
SUN	10.00 am	Lazaro and Sofia Olvera (RIP)
	11.30 am	For the People of the Parish
	1.00 pm	<i>Mass in the Ethiopian, Gheez Rite</i>
MON	6.00 pm	Santiago Guillen (RIP)
TUES	9.30 am	Sisters of Sion
WED	9.30 am	Holy Father's Intentions
THU	NO MASS TODAY	
FRI	6.00 pm	Benefactors of the Secular Clergy Common Fund
	6.45 pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 4.15-5.15pm or by appointment

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For any queries in regards to the Sacraments, please speak contact the Presbytery.

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Journey like Abram...

The First Reading is quite short, but reflects on the reality of faith. We often think that the faith has to be shown in a magnificent way, as if we were to have the vision of the heavens opening and a booming voice from the heavens. The reality is much different.

To Abram, the call to faith was one simple command: 'Leave.' No map; no knowledge of a final destination; not even a moment of preparation. Abram just told his wife and servants that they were leaving. Imagine the reaction of those around him. Imagine, too, our reaction if asked today. And yet, we are called to imitate our Father in the faith.

A risk in the season of Lent is to think that by doing many things, we will be able to 'occupy' our attention to God. God, however, only desires one thing – your disposition, your willingness to be ready to follow God's will, even when it seems to be crazy.

To 'leave' also means to trust. For Abram, he was convinced that probably for the first time in his life, the presence of the true God was before him. Acknowledging that God is present in our lives also invites us to see that there is something greater than what seems to be short-sighted in the affairs of faith. Lent is a similar journey, but unlike Abram, we know the destination – the fulness of the discovery of faith in the Risen Christ.

Let us then 'leave', or better yet, persevere in our Lenten journey.

Father Carlos

NOTICES:

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: This weekend, there will be a second collection for CAFOD Family Fast Day. Many thanks for your support.

LENTEN ALMS: You are welcome to leave your almsgiving at The Lenten Alms Box on the Sanctuary.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: On Wednesday after the 9.30am Mass and Friday, at 6.45pm. The Friday Stations will be joined with the Ethiopian Community.

FLOWERS IN LENT: The Church is not decorated with flowers throughout the season of Lent. To contribute towards flowers for the Church, please leave your donation in the 'Easter Flowers' money box .

THE PARISH LIBRARY: The new Parish Library offers literature in the subjects of spirituality, prayer, history, or the lives of the saints. Please feel free to borrow a book. If you wish to contribute towards the library, please speak with Father Carlos.

PARISH CLEANING: Many thanks for those who helped this weekend. The next cleaning day is on Saturday, 21 March, 10am-11.30pm. We will have an additional cleaning day on Holy Saturday (5April).

SCREENING OF THE CHOSEN AND DISCUSSION: The next meeting will be Monday, 2 March 2026, at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

READERS FOR HOLY WEEK: We need parishioners to help with the Proclamation of the Readers during Holy Week. Many thanks for those who have offered. If you wish to help, please contact the Parish Office or speak to Father Carlos.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL CONFERENCE: On Sunday, 22 March, at 12.30pm in the Parish Hall. This gives you, the parishioner, an opportunity to hear and have a say in the Parish's current financial situation. There will also be an opportunity to consider if you wish to change your method of financial contribution for the Parish.

JEAN MAYNARD: If you wish to contribute your personal story with the Parish, please contact the Parish Office in order to get in touch with Jean Maynard. Many thanks to those who have communicated with her.

PARISH ROSARY: Open for all after the 11.30am Mass. You are also welcome to join the Ethiopian Community's Rosary that takes place after the 11.30am Mass on other Sundays.

HEATING: As the cold weather continues, we ask you to dress warmly when coming to Church. To avoid any draughts, please make sure that any internal doors are closed, especially when you enter and leave the Church. Many thanks for your help.

STANDING ORDERS: If you are regular giver to the Parish, perhaps you may want to consider a Standing Order, which establishes a regular giving to the Parish, no matter the amount or frequency, without thinking of bringing money or a card to the parish. If interested, please pick up a form from the porch. For more information, please speak with Father Carlos.

MASS INTENTIONS: There is a long and venerable tradition in the Catholic Church that the faithful ask their priests to celebrate Holy Mass for particular, specified intentions. This practice is of immense spiritual benefit to both the living and the dead. It also helps to support your clergy. If you would like to have a Mass offered for an intention, please contact the Parish Office or speak with Father Carlos.

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