



PRAYING TOGETHER FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, THE PARISH & ONE ANOTHER

Sun ☒ 06 Mar	1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	For the Taylor Family - intentions Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Mr Albert Griggs RIP
Mon 07 Mar	Lent feria	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 08 Mar	Lent feria	Mass at 9.30am	For the People of Ukraine
Wed 09 Mar	Lent feria	Mass at 9.30am	For the intentions of Fintan O'Malley
Thur 10 Mar	Lent feria	Mass at 9.30am	For all Catholic Educators
Fri 11 Mar	Lent feria (Lenten Fast Day)	Mass at 9.30am	For Anthony Peter Gerou RIP
Sat 12 Mar	Lent feria	Mass at 10.00am	For Joy McQuade RIP
Sun ☒ 13 Mar	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	For Maria Seto RIP For Ivy Kyne RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish

Holy Rosary Prayers: on Wednesdays following 9.30am Mass

Exposition and Benediction: on Fridays 10.00am –10.30am (Eucharistic Adoration)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) Saturdays at 5.30pm, or on request

Prayer request box: for your prayers, to be offered during the praying of the Holy Rosary, is situated at the back of the church. Prayers are offered on Wednesdays after the 9.30am Mass.

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Sunday 6th March 2022 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

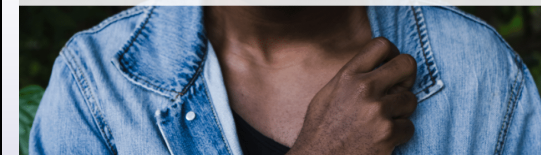
Sunday cycle
Readings Year C
Weekday Readings
Lent Week 1
Divine Office
Psalter Week 1



The readings for the First Sunday of Lent for Year C, demonstrate that we must give our whole lives to God. In the first reading Moses explains that we must give our best offering to the Lord. The psalm sings of deliverance from trouble. In the second reading, Paul tells us we must follow Jesus not just with our minds, but also with our hearts. In the Gospel Jesus is tempted by the devil in the desert but resists, putting his trust in his Father instead.

THE CONFITEOR

THE I CONFESS PRAYER



*I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary
ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.
Amen.*

The Confiteor prayer is sometimes called, the I Confess prayer.

Confiteor means in Latin, "I confess" or "I acknowledge." It is one

of the options for the Penitential Rite, near the start of the Holy Mass. It's a good prayer to say regularly, to help us to remember our faults and weaknesses. "Through my fault" ("Mea culpa," in Latin), which is said three times, we come to admit our failings, which is half way, to putting them right.

ST JOHN FISHER
CATHOLIC CHURCH



WELCOME to this Holy Season of Lent. It's a season of fasting, praying and giving. The Church has now moved into a different, penitential mood, with the hanging of purple banners and a change in the Gospel acclamation. We save the *Alleluia*, the *Gloria*, the flowers and brighter vestments for the celebrations at Easter. During Lent we proclaim the Apostles' Creed, in place of the Nicene Creed and we are now able to resume the praying of the Intercessions at Mass, the Prayer of the Faithful. This follows the Creed. We begin our Lenten journey by examining our lives and by honestly looking at our practice of the faith. We are reminded that Lent is not just about what we give up, it's about what we take up and who we will become! **Lent 2022** leaflets are available at the back of the church to help you on your Lenten pilgrimage.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY Friday 11th March. Have a simple meal this Lent and give what you save to help end malnutrition. Donation envelopes are available this weekend.

CHILDREN'S LENT CALENDARS: Children, don't forget to collect a Lent Calendar from the back of the church. They are next to your 'LOOK' sheets, there are just a few left, so it's first come first served.

JOY MCQUADE RIP We report sadly, that Joy died on Ash Wednesday — the day of her 93rd birthday. Joy had been a member of SJF church for decades. In her working life, she was a teacher at St George's and Royal Holloway Colleges. Joy also taught Latin, was a Reader at Mass and an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. At other times, she was a member of *Shepperton Players*. We pray for Joy and for the repose of her soul. We pray also for her husband Brian and for the whole family who survive her. Eternal rest grant to Joy, O Lord.

THANK YOU to all who attended the Holy Mass here on Ash Wednesday, last week. The congregation numbers at both Masses, morning and evening, were very encouraging to see. We were almost back to our pre pandemic numbers. If you happen to know of a parishioner who is fit and well, but who might still be hesitant to return to Mass, do please offer them some encouragement. We miss them!

LITTLE CHURCH: We invite children who are in year four at school and below, to attend Little Church at the 10.30am Sunday Mass. Parents are welcome to join their child in Little Church, until they are confident to attend by themselves.

CHILDREN'S MASS CARDS AND MISSALS are available at the back of the church to help our little ones to pray and to learn the Mass. Parents please encourage your children to use these as you support them on their Christian journey.

ROOF STORM DAMAGE: Emergency repairs have been completed on the Hall roof. An insurance claim to Catholic National Mutual has been made and quotations have been received for the church roof repairs. We will keep you updated.

CAN WE COUNT ON YOU? We are still looking for more parishioners to join our Counting Teams. They count the weekly collection on a Wednesday morning for about 30/40 minutes, ready for banking in Weybridge. Can you help with either counting or banking? Might this be your offering of time and talent to the Church, just once a month? Please speak with Daphne or Fr Shaun, if you would like more information. Many thanks.

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT: These will commence in church this Friday 11th March at 7.00pm, and then, each Friday of Lent. Last year we were unable to walk the Way of the Cross with Jesus, due to Covid restrictions. We look forward to welcoming you to this quiet meditative encounter with the Lord.

FOOD BANK BOX: Thank you for bringing in non perishable food for our Food Bank Box, by the entrance. Your contributions are going to local people who need some extra support, especially at the moment.

SERVING THE LORD: Altar Servers have started to return to the Sanctuary for the weekend Masses. It is wonderful to see. All children and young people who have made their First Holy Communion are welcome to become an Altar Server. Please let Fr Shaun know, if you are interested, so that we can arrange a practice.

HEAT OR EAT? Help those facing this choice. Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2022

This year, we celebrate 10 years of Caritas Westminster, the social action agency of the Diocese, working with parishes to restore hope, and enable people to lead a life of dignity. Funds raised in this year's Cardinal's Lenten Appeal will be shared between parishes and Caritas Westminster. The effects of the pandemic are making daily life harder for all. Price rises mean many families face an impossible choice: HEAT or EAT? The Church is responding, with thousands of people putting their faith into action by serving those in need. Cardinal Nichols has expressed his gratitude to everyone who supports the Appeal, with whatever they can afford. Just as a mosaic is made up of many different coloured pieces, each one unique, each person's contribution to this mosaic of hope will bring light into the lives of people across our Diocese. Please take a donation envelope. You can find these by the church entrance. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity.

ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May at 3.00pm. 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 to Fr Shaun, the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if you don't do email).

TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK
Loose giving in the plate £120
Giving using offertory envelopes £187
Giving by bank standing order and via the card machine was £651 weekly during January. The card machine for contactless giving is located in the church entrance area. Thank you all.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP is sponsored this week for the repose of the soul of Walter de Cruz on the 19th anniversary of his death. May he rest in peace.

PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED
Joy McQuade RIP
ANNIVERSARIES THIS MARCH
Denis Ryan, E.J. Cane, Kathleen Sweet, Rose Ryan, Fr Charles Connor, John Ohlson, Victoria Roberts, Patricia Macklin, Mary O'Sullivan, James O'Sullivan, Lynn Guevara, Maureen Mitchell, Eileen Tams, Helen Bool, Brian Duffy, Matthew Sawyer, Jane Bermingham, C.V. Pepper, Mary Cotter.
ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
(For those not receiving Holy Communion or at home)
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

SOME LITURGICAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:
St Patrick -17th March
St Joseph -19th March
The Annunciation of the Lord - 25th March
Palm Sunday – Holy Week commences 10th April
Maundy Thursday - 14th April
Good Friday - 15th April
Holy Saturday - 16th April
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection - 17th April
Celebration Mass for RCIA Class of 2022, 28th April

ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC COLLEGE
Teaching vacancies: SENDCo (closing date Monday 18th March) School Business Manager (Operations) (closing date Friday 11th March) <https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/our-college/vacancies>

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE are proud to announce that they have been awarded an 'Outstanding' in the recent Section 48 Ofsted Inspection of Religious Education and Catholic Life. The report can be viewed on our noticeboard.