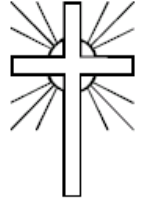


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# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 2023

SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023

## **Today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Lent The thirsting soul:**

Our need to drink regularly is obvious; without water we would quickly die. Not so easily recognized is the soul's thirst for meaning, for vision and purpose in life.

Today, Jesus offers us the refreshing water of eternal life, a power of faith and union-with-God which is our deepest need, and can satisfy the thirst of our soul. How the desert blossoms, when water is brought to it.

The same miracle of growth can take place in the parched soul, when God lets his Spirit flow over us. All the ravages of doubt, fear and sin will yield to the new life of grace.

*"For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life"* John 4: 13-14

## **Parishioner Ann King writes:**

Myself and the Chaplaincy team at St Philip Howard Academy are involved in the Big Lent Walk for CAFOD. We are walking 200km during the 40 days of Lent. If you would like to sponsor us there is a sponsor form at the back of church. Many thanks in anticipation of your support.

## **Editor Liz Nash writes: Sycamore**

The final session of our Sycamore Course was held last Thursday. Participants were highly enthusiastic in their feedback, saying:

*"The videos were moving and informative, I enjoyed sharing thoughts and ideas with others",  
"I enjoyed learning more deeply about my faith",  
"The course gave focus and allowed me to put aside time to concentrate in what is important".*

Do keep an eye on the Newsletter for details of future courses!

**Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal this Lent.** Your generous donations, rooted in love, will support families around the world grow in strength to fight the climate crisis. You can still give online at [cafod.org.uk/len](http://cafod.org.uk/len)

## **Do you want to Fast during Lent?**

### **Pope Francis tells us how:**

Fast from words; be silent and listen  
Fast from pressures and be prayerful

## **Receiving The Eucharist this Lent: Part 2:**

### **How do we prepare to celebrate Mass?**

We should also gather in good time so that we can bless ourselves with holy water, genuflect to the Blessed Sacrament, find our place and settle down ready to celebrate Mass.

Pope Francis teaches us that 'The Eucharist is not a prize for the perfect, but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak;' we should also be properly disposed to celebrate Mass and receive Holy Communion, examining our consciences and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation if we are conscious of having committed grave sin – priests are available in all our parishes to hear confessions.

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

**WE LISTEN** In the Liturgy of the Word we listen as one – to the First Reading, from the Old Testament or Acts of the Apostles, the Second Reading, from the New Testament, the Gospel and the Homily, responding in the Psalm, Profession of Faith and Prayer of the Faithful.

### **How do we listen carefully?**

It can be quite a challenge to listen attentively to all the readings at Mass! We should listen to the readings, join in the prayers, sing the hymns and take part in the silence as best we can.

One good way of preparing is to read the Sunday readings beforehand so that we're ready to hear them in church.

St Jerome says that 'Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ'.

*..to be continued next week..*

## **Editor Liz Nash writes:**

### **EASTER TRIDUUM SERVICES:**

#### **Maundy Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April:**

ASC 7pm, Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper  
ASC 9.30pm, Night Prayer.

#### **Good Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April:**

SMC 3pm, Solemn Liturgy  
ASC 7pm, Stations of the Cross and Veneration

#### **Holy Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April:**

ASC 8.30pm, Easter Vigil Mass,  
*There will be a 'bring your own bottle' celebration after the Vigil Mass.*

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**The Week Ahead** (ASC = All Saints Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall, SMC = St Mary's Church, SMS = St Mary's School)

**Parish Mass Book: This weekend's readings: p.158, Gloria p.9, Creed p.11**

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| <b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup></b><br>6.00pm,   | Lenten Feria<br><b>ASC Vigil Mass</b> (Jean McAlister MBE RIP (I&KF))   |
| <b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b><br>9.15am,<br><b>10.15am,</b><br>11.15am,                      | <b>Third Sunday of Lent</b><br><b>SMC Holy Mass</b> (Eileen Goddard RIP (A&JT))<br><b>SMC CAFOD Breakfast</b><br><b>ASC Holy Mass</b> (The People of the Parishes)<br><i>Please pray for today's Joint Parishes' Event Group Meeting</i>  |
| <b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></b>  | Lenten Feria<br><i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for The Holy Souls</i><br><i>Please pray for this week's Retreat for our Bishop, Priests and Deacons</i>  |
| <b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup></b><br><br><b>10.00am,</b><br><b>7.00pm,</b>                      | Lenten Feria<br><i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for The Holy Souls</i><br><b>Holy Mass</b> at The Annunciation, New Mills, SK22 3BW<br><b>ASC Presentation Associates' Prayer Meeting</b>   |
| <b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b><br><br><b>10.00am,</b><br><b>10.00am,</b><br><b>6.30pm,</b> | Lenten Feria<br><i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for The Holy Souls</i><br><b>Holy Mass</b> at St Mary's, Marple Bridge, SK6 5BB<br><b>SMC Church cleaning</b><br><b>Glossop Parish Church of All Saints</b><br><b>Lenten Prayer Meeting - 'Praying with Lectio Divina'</b>  |
| <b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b><br><br><b>10.00am,</b><br><b>1.00pm,</b>                     | Lenten Feria<br><i>Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass today for Mrs Cato RIP (JR)</i><br><b>Holy Mass</b> at The Annunciation, New Mills, SK22 3BW<br><b>ASC Funeral Service of Jean Agnes McAlister MBE RIP</b><br><i>Please pray for today's Meeting of the Maintenance Committee</i> |
| <b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b><br>10.00am,<br><b>5.30pm,</b><br>7.00pm,                       | St Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland, Feast<br><b>SMC Holy Mass</b> (Veronica Eggar RIP (A&JT))<br><b>ASC Stations of the Cross</b><br>SMH Prayer Group  |
| <b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup></b><br>10.00 – 10.30am,<br>6.00pm,                               | Lenten Feria<br><b>ASC Confessions</b><br><b>ASC Vigil Mass</b> (The People of the Parishes)  |
| <b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b><br>9.15am,<br>11.15am,   | <b>Fourth Sunday of Lent – Laetare Sunday</b><br><b>SMC Holy Mass</b> (Eric Locke RIP (AT))<br><b>ASC Holy Mass</b> (Eileen Goddard RIP (PB))   |

**More dates for the Diary:**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May:** St Barnabas' Cathedral, 'God Save the King', a concert in honour of His Majesty King Charles III on the eve of his Coronation. More details to follow.

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July:** Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Booking details available on the poster in church, or at: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/diocese-of-nottingham>

**The GLOSSOP ROSARY:** will continue on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March with the Sorrowful Mysteries.

**Parishioner Margaret Maloney writes:** The recent coffee morning raised £387.75 for our parishes' funds; many thanks to all who contributed in any way to this enjoyable event.

**Please remember in your prayers this week:**

Philomena Brennan who asks for prayers for healing and relief from a long standing problem.

Don and Roseline McLeish who are unwell. Harry Sweeney, who is recovering from an operation.