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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 16th & 17th March 2019



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick

Fred Brattley, Doreen Bennett,
 Ewan Macadam, Dorothy Swift, Josie Coates,
 Beryl Trowell, Doreen Cartledge, Arthur Moulton,
 Joe Doyle, Betty Whieldon, Lynn Kent,
 Winifred Booth, Jan Spooner, Nancy Dykes,
 Dylan Alcock, Jill Jervis, Angie Macadam,
 Kathleen Lavan, Mary Webster, Andy Johnson,
 Kevin Mellor, Andrew Harrison,
 Beatrice Wright.

THE SICK: If you would like someone including on the sick list on the notice sheets, please fill in a form at the back of Church. Please make sure that anyone whose name is on the list is happy to be included. If there is anyone who needs prayer or a visit but doesn't want to be on the list on the Notice Sheets, please let Fr Eric know &/or fill in a pink form.

Rest in Peace

Pam Shaw, John Henson, Doreen Murphy.

All who have died recently and those with anniversaries falling at this time.

THIS WEEKEND THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION FOR CAFOD ENVELOPES & OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAFOD



PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, 16 March: Lent feria

Dementia Prayer Week

10.00 am: Cheadle: Eucharistic Service
Followed by Holy Rosary

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (VIGIL)

5.00 pm: Cheadle: Marion Pilling

Sunday, 17 March

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

Dementia Prayer Week

10.30 am: Cheadle: Nora Moulton & Kathleen McKeating

Children's Liturgy at 10.30am Mass

3.00 pm: Cheadle: Stations of the Cross

4.50 pm: Tean: Stations of the Cross

5.30 pm: Tean: People of the Parishes

Monday, 18 March: Lent feria

Dementia Prayer Week

9.15 am: Cheadle: Pam Shaw

9.15 am: Tean: Celebrant's Intention

Tuesday, 19 March: SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH,

HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Dementia Prayer Week

10.00 am: Cheadle: Intentions of the Brattley family

10.30 am: Cheadle: Exposition

Wednesday, 20 March: Lent feria

9.15 am: Cheadle: Intentions of Frances Woodward

Thursday, 21 March: Lent feria

9.00 am: Cheadle: (School Mass): Special Intention

Friday, 22 March: Lent feria

9.15 am: Tean: (School Mass): Celebrant's Intention

6.00 pm: Tean: Stations of the Cross

6.30 pm: Tean: Winnie Cooke

Saturday, 23 March: Lent feria

10.00 am: Cheadle: John Henson

Followed by Exposition with Holy Rosary

10.30 am- 11.00am Confessions

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (VIGIL)

4.30pm- 4-50pm Confessions

5.00 pm: Cheadle: Milo Lavan

Sunday, 24 March

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

10.30 am: Cheadle: Doreen Murphy

Children's Liturgy at 10.30am Mass

3.00 pm: Cheadle: Stations of the Cross

4.50 pm: Tean: Stations of the Cross

5.00 pm- 5.20 pm: Tean: Confessions

5.30 pm: Tean: People of the Parishes

Thought for the Week.

Today we have the Gospel narrative of the Transfiguration of Jesus. This is the second time the Gospels relate the descending of the Holy Spirit on Jesus and the voice of the Father confirming that Jesus is His 'beloved Son'. The first time is at Jesus' baptism which marks the beginning of his ministry. It points us towards the ministry which is to follow; the ministry which eventually ends on Good Friday when Jesus is crucified. Today's event points not towards Jesus' earthly ministry and his death but towards the Resurrection and eternal life. In the Transfiguration the disciples are given a glimpse of heaven. Moses and Elijah – two great Old Testament prophets – are seen talking to Jesus. We are told that Jesus' face is changed. All three of them are radiant. Moses and Elijah appear in glory and the disciples see their glory. All three are appearing in their glorified bodies. It is a foreshadowing of the Resurrection when Jesus will appear in his glorified body before ascending into glory. The whole event gives us hope – the hope of the resurrection when Christ returns in glory and we receive our glorified bodies too that we may live with Him in his presence for ever. The psalm concludes: 'I am sure I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.' The Lord is our hope and our salvation. The vision related in today's Gospel reminds us and encourages us that if we hold firm to our faith we will see the glory of the Lord and have a share in it.

LITURGY

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12,17-18

Psalms: 26

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

ST. THOMAS' TEAN.

Many thanks to all those parishioners who supported our Painsley students' efforts after Mass last week. The Painsley Lourdes Fund did extremely well with their cake and drinks sale with over £210 raised in the half hour. Pat Sowter has written to us thanking everyone for their support and asking for your prayers for the students who will be joining the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in May.

The Ash Wednesday Lenten Lunch raised over £75 which is directed to Christian Aid, our dedicated charity leading up to Christian Aid week in May. Please continue bringing items to the food bank collection. We are grateful to Nora Collier on this, of course, as she works tirelessly towards the charity. Nora collects all our donations weekly and takes these to the local food bank at the Cheadle Guild Hall. There are two dates for your diary from the North Staffs Area Pastoral Council. The dates are organised on behalf of the North Staffs Deanery. Tuesday, April 2nd 7pm, at Holy Trinity Church, London Road, Newcastle. Meeting and session for all Eucharistic ministers. Tuesday, May 14th, 7pm, at St. Teresa's, London Road, Trent Vale. Please, if you are a reader or a Special Minister of the Eucharist, try to attend either or both of these sessions. The events normally last no longer than 60 minutes and transport could be arranged if anyone needs it. Most certainly, we could travel together, saving on car fuel and the carbon footprint.

MASS RESPONSIBILITIES:

March 17th.

All Readings: Dreda.
Bidding Prayers: Frank.
Offertory: Helen & Peter Kelly.
Eucharistic Ministry: Rose & Teresa.

March 24th.

All Readings: John B.
Bidding Prayers: Sandra P .
Offertory: Dreda .
Eucharistic Ministry: Michael L and Teresa .

THERE ARE REFRESHMENTS AFTER 10.30 AM MASS TODAY, PARISH ROOM, PRESBYTERY.

PAMELA SHAW RIP: Funeral Mass, St Giles' Thursday 28th March, 2.00pm.

ST GILES' LADIES GROUP QUIZ £1 per sheet. £10 prize. All proceeds to our Lenten Charity: Aid to the Church in Need.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR 2019-2020 ST GILES' & ST THOMAS' are now available. Please take the box with your name on. If your tax status has changed or you have moved house, please inform the Parish Office. **If you pay income tax and do not currently gift aid your weekly offertory, please consider doing so.** For Tean, please contact Elaine Wilcox, and for Cheadle, Peter Lucas **or fill in one of the forms available by the envelopes.**

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 25TH-31ST MAY: Anyone interested in going on the Pilgrimage or finding out more about it, please contact Piers James (Cheadle) or Keith Dawson (Tean). Booking forms are available.

PAINSLY LOURDES' PILGRIMAGE CAKE SALE & DONATIONS Thanks to all who contributed so generously. £182 was raised at St Giles & £210 at St Thomas'.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Mondays 2.00pm (refreshments from 1.45pm). Parish Room, Presbytery.

RCIA/ JOURNEY IN FAITH: Thursdays 7.00pm, Parish Room, Presbytery.

LENTE CHARITY: AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED supporting Christians suffering for their faith. Contributions can be given to Fr Eric. A Second Collection will be taken on Palm Sunday (13th-14th April).

LENT ECUMENICAL GROUP EVERY TUESDAY IN LENT 12 NOON CHEADLE METHODIST CHURCH: final Meeting Tuesday 9th April: **"LIVING FRUITFULLY"** Reflections on the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and challenges facing Christians in the Middle East & here. **All welcome; please bring a packed lunch; drinks are provided.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT: St Thomas' Friday 6.00pm & Sunday 4.50pm; St Giles' Sunday 3.00pm.

CHEADLE FOOD BANK: Requirements please this week: **tinned vegetables (urgent)**, biscuits, tetrapak fruit juice, pasta sauce, tinned fruit, male & female shower gel, male & female deodorants, adult toothbrushes. Thank you.

FR SANDY BROWN: We welcome Fr Sandy to celebrate the Masses this weekend .

Parish Finances:

St. Giles'

Gift Aid: £189.40;
Non Gift Aid: £222.97;
Total: £412.37.

St Thomas'

Gift Aid: £138.00;
Non Gift Aid: £107.68;
Total: £245.68.

Pope's Intentions for March

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

ST GILES' READERS: If you are unable to attend please find a substitute.

Saturday 16 March	Sunday 17 March
JOHN BLACKBURN	MARK DOWNIE
Saturday 23 March	Sunday 24 March
MARGARET EDWARDS	JINTO VARGHESE

A full list of readers is available from the sacristy & on the Parish website– stgilescheadle.org.uk

CARE HOMES HYMN SERVICES:

Beech Lodge:
8 April, 16 May & 20 June - All
Thursdays at 2.30 p.m.

S.V.P: If you know of anyone in need of help, or who would like a visit, please contact the Parish Office on 753130.