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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 14th & 15th MARCH 2020

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The Sick

Fred Brattley, Doreen Bennett, Ewan Macadam, Dorothy Swift, Josie Coates, Beryl Trowell, Doreen Cartlidge, Joe Doyle, Lynn Kent, Winifred Booth, Jan Spooner, Nancy Dykes, Dylan Alcock, Jill Jervis, Angie Macadam, Kathleen Lavan, Mary Webster, Andy Johnson, Kevin Mellor, Andrew Harrison, Ted Joyce, Beatrice Wright, Kathleen Horobin, Hiep Vu Nguyen, Fr Sandy Brown, Philip Regan, Carmel Johnson, Margaret James, Catherine Jones.

Please pray for those to be baptised and their families

Mia Blake Wilkinson

Rest in Peace

Cyril Rowe
Pat Barthelemy
John Haines
Fr Bob Wright
Canon Peter Taylor
and all who have died recently, and those with anniversaries falling at this time.

PLEASE PRAY FOR CANON DAVID OAKLEY TO BE ORDAINED BISHOP ON 19TH MARCH

at the Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury, Northampton 11.00am

THIS WEEKEND 14TH & 15TH MARCH THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION AT ST GILES' MASSES FOR NEW HYMN BOOKS

MOTHERING SUNDAY PRAYER CARDS BLESSED & AVAILABLE AT MASSES NEXT WEEKEND 21-22 MARCH

PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, 14 March: Lent feria

10.00 am: Cheadle: Intentions of Bp David McGough
Followed by Exposition & Holy Rosary
10.30 am - 11.00 am: Cheadle: Confessions

Saturday, 14 March: Lent feria

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (VIGIL)

4.30 pm - 4.50 pm: Cheadle : Confessions
5.00 pm: Cheadle: Pat Barthelemy

Sunday, 15 March

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments Dementia Prayer Week

10.30 am: Cheadle: Arthur Moulit
11.45 am Cheadle: Holy Baptism

4.50 pm Tean: Stations of the Cross

5.00 pm - 5.20 pm: Tean: Confessions

5.30 pm: Tean: People of the Parishes

Monday, 16 March: Lent feria

9.15 am: Cheadle: In thanksgiving for NHS & all carers
9.15 am: Tean: Celebrant's Intention

Tuesday, 17 March: Feast of St Patrick, Bishop,

Patron of Ireland

10.00 am: Cheadle: Pat Barthelemy

10.30 am: Cheadle: Stations of the Cross

6.00 pm: Tean: First Confessions

Wednesday, 18 March: Lent feria

9.15 am: Cheadle: Canon Peter Taylor

Thursday, 19 March: SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9.00 am: Cheadle: (School Mass): Intentions of Canon David Oakley

12.00 pm: Cheadle: Funeral Mass: John Haines (RIP)

5.00 pm: Cheadle: Reception into church:

Pat Barthelemy (RIP)

Friday, 20 March: Lent feria

9.15 am: Tean: (School Mass): Intentions of Bishop David Oakley
St Thomas' School Confessions after Mass

1.00 pm: Cheadle: Funeral Mass: Pat Barthelemy (RIP)

6.00 pm: Tean: Stations of the Cross

6.30 pm: Tean: Cyril Rowe

Saturday, 21 March: Lent feria

10.00 am: Cheadle: Intentions of Bishop David Oakley

Followed by Exposition & Holy Rosary

10.30 am - 11.00 am: Cheadle: Confessions

Saturday, 21 March: Lent feria

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (VIGIL)

4.30 pm - 4.50 pm: Cheadle : Confessions

5.00 pm: Cheadle: Milo Lavan

Sunday, 22 March

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

10.30 am: Cheadle: People of the Parishes

4.50 pm Tean: Stations of the Cross

5.00 pm - 5.20 pm: Tean: Confessions

5.30 pm: Tean: Molly Archer

Thought for the Week.

What a wonderful Gospel we have this week. Jesus comes to a well in Samaria, the village of those outcasts of Judaism who will not worship in Jerusalem. If that's not bad enough He sits by the well and speaks to a woman; a woman whose reputation is so bad that she comes out to fetch her water when everyone else is inside taking a siesta. And it gets worse! Jesus doesn't just acknowledge her but engages her in conversation. He asks her for a drink, much to her surprise, and then, meeting her where she is, He offers her forgiveness, reconciliation and eternal life. Her response inspires us - "Come and see a man who has told me everything I ever did; I wonder if he is the Christ?" Her encounter with Jesus left its mark on her and she wanted others to meet Him too. Jesus meets us in prayer and makes the same offer to us as to the woman at the well. He gives us eternal life and expects a faith response from us. How often do we respond by saying to others "Come and meet the Lord?" Perhaps we should!

LITURGY

First Reading: Exodus 17: 3-7

Psalms: 94

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

ST. THOMAS' TEAN.

My calendar says this week "Beware the Ides of March". Must be to do with Cheltenham Races!

Last week we had a plea for help on a Canterbury Garden statue and possible restoration. I am pleased to report that within an hour we had received an offer to do this. Thanks!

Please check on the notice board for church cleaning this month and April. If anyone would like to be added to this rota please see Sandra Dawson, who will be only too pleased to add you to the list. You won't be left high and dry without help I can promise you!

Easter Raffle- Everything is in hand for this. We do need some more prizes, and people to sell the tickets, people to buy the tickets, but since this is for urgently need parish funds, we know everyone will help.

Another generous offer came this way last week when a parishioner gave a gift of an exquisite china tea set to church.

We used this at our Prayer Service on Friday and the comments from many visitors were so good. "Tea tastes so much better out of a proper china cup". We have put all these china cups and saucers together and they will be used for all opportunities. If you are

considering an effort outside church for our funds and you wish to use them then that's fine. Having spent ages researching my own family history this year it gladdens the heart that china is still held in such esteem. I have generations of past relatives who worked in the pottery industry!

Next Tuesday afternoon at 2.00pm Stations of the Cross at Painsley. All invited and there is afternoon tea provided too. Book your place through John please, as places are limited. (079276 919 728)

MASS RESPONSIBILITIES:

Sunday, 15th March.

All Readings: Natasha;
Bidding Prayers: Frank;
Offertory: Rose & Neville;

Sunday, 22nd March.

All Readings: John S.;
Bidding Prayers: John S;
Offertory: tbc;

REFRESHMENTS AFTER 10.30AM MASS TODAY DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PRESBYTERY

CORONA VIRUS Please pray for the sick and pray and give thanks for the NHS and all who care for the sick.

To help look after each other at this time please:

Be careful to wash hands before Mass and use hand sanitiser as appropriate

Do not attend Mass if unwell

No holy water in Church

Hymn sheets will be used

Collection bags will not be passed around - baskets at the back of Church

No Offertory Procession

No handshakes at the Peace

Holy Communion in one kind and received on the hand

The first Eucharistic Minister on the rotas at St Giles' to distribute hosts at the back of Church;

Disposable protective gloves are available in the Parish Office for Counters

FUNERAL SERVICE CYRIL ROWE RIP St Thomas', Tean Friday April 3rd 1.00 pm.

ST GILES' CHURCH CLEANING Some of our small excellent & faithful band of cleaners are presently unavailable. **Please step in & help if you can. Tuesdays 12noon—2.00pm**

GIFT AID: envelopes for 2020/21 are now available in our churches. 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 are a tax payer and do not currently gift aid your weekly offertory, please do consider doing so. This is a valuable source of additional income for our parishes.

ST GILES' & ST THOMAS' SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2019 available. Please take a copy.

SOWER DIOCESAN MAGAZINE LENT 2020 EDITION FREE: Please take copies from the back of Church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT

Tean Fridays 6.00pm & Sundays 4.50pm ; Cheadle: Tuesdays 10.30 am (after Mass)

Good Friday: Cheadle: 10.00 am Children's Stations of the Cross;

Keralan Stations of the Cross after the Afternoon Liturgy (around 4.15 pm)

Tean 7.00 pm: Stations of the Cross.

CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT ECUMENICAL GROUP: Abraham a Journey through Lent

Cheadle Methodist Church Tuesdays 12noon –1.15 pm. Tuesdays 17th, 24th & 31st March. Please bring a packed lunch. Coffee & tea provided. **All welcome.**

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CHEADLE & DISTRICT MEETING

Tues 17 March 1.30 pm, Parish Room, St Giles' Presbytery.

MOORLANDS HOME LINK is currently **under threat** as North Staffordshire and Stoke Clinical Commissioning Group is considering withdrawing its annual grant of £70,000. Paper surveys to support the organisation are available at their office 17 Charles Street. Letters of support are also welcome.

On-line survey: <http://bit.ly/contractsgrants>. Further information from their office: 17 Charles Street, tel 01538 750511; email office@moorlandshomelink

Parish Finances:

St. Giles'

Gift Aid: £259.00;
Non Gift Aid: £180.92;
Total: £439.92.
CAFOD: £555.52

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

Saturday 14 March	Sunday 15 March
JOHN BLACKBURN	ANGELA MORTLOCK
Saturday 21 March	Sunday 22 March
ELIZABETH RUSHTON	FAMILY MASS

St. Thomas'

Gift Aid: £192.00;
Non Gift Aid: £105.44;
Total: £297.44.
CAFOD: £208.81.

Hymn Services at Beech Lodge:

19th March. 23rd April. 28th May. 8th June.
Thursdays at 2.30 pm.

Pope's Intentions for March.

Catholics in China

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

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.

*** The next meeting is on Tuesday, April 14th at 6.30 pm ***