

Masses at St George & St Teresa

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5TH MARCH – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

This weekend there will be a second collection for Cafod Family Fast Day.

Saturday	5.30pm	George and Margaret Wright RIP (T&J T)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Louis Loughran RIP (IC)
Lent extra	4 - 5pm	Quiet time in church then 5pm Stations of the Cross

WEEKDAY SERVICES

6.3 Mon	10am	Feria Nonnie McLarnon RIP (AR)
7.3 Tue	10am	Feria John & Gill McDonald (IC)
8.3 Wed	10am	Feria John Joseph McDonagh (MG)
9.3 Thu	10am	Feria Winnie & Eric Vince RIP (LG)
10.3 Fri	10am	Feria Joe Edwards RIP
11.3 Sat	10am	Feria Anthony Dean RIP

12TH MARCH – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

This weekend there will be a second collection for Cathedral Maintenance.

Saturday	5.30pm	Roger Dennis RIP (EM)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Peter Niblett RIP (DN)
Lent extra	4 - 5pm	Quiet time in church then 5pm Stations of the Cross

Confession – Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am Saturday evening 4.45pm – 5.15pm
Stations of the Cross during Lent - Sunday 5pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 10.30am – 11.30am
Rosary – Monday - Saturday 9.35am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH ROTAS

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	Please help	Please help	Please help
Next week	Please help	Please help	Please help

READERS

	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	T Hart	J Smith	J McDonald
Next week	T/J Taylor	G Seymour	N Ritmeyer

TEA & COFFEE

Next week	A & C Kadow	A Robinson P Cheriton	C McLaughlin I Blessed
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Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

Priest in Residence: Fr Paul Dean, Parish Deacon: Rev Mr Stephen Saum
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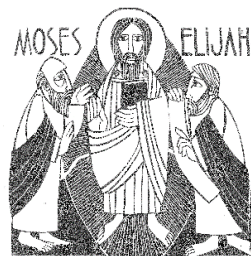
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St. George & St. Teresa
Catholic Church
Dorridge
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
5th March 2023



Dear Parishioners,

On Saturday at our 5.30pm Mass we welcome the children who will be making their First Holy Communion in a few months time for their Mass of Enrolment. I will give each child a special prayer book which gives them all the prayers for Mass, confession, stations, the rosary, morning and evening prayer and many more. I will leave a specimen copy in the narthex. If anyone would like a copy for their child or grandchild I can order more from our supplier in Northern Ireland. I have asked their parents to try to sit nearer the front to allow the children to watch what is happening. There is nothing worse for a child than not being able to see. We shall be looking at ways of inviting the children to participate in some small way at Mass and I have suggested to the parents at our pre-meeting last Wednesday to attend the 8.45am Mass with children's liturgy. I know many parents find this is their best Mass. The main entrance to the Parish Centre is open for those who need to slip in a few moments after the start of the Mass. It happens. We all know that sometimes younger children like to test their lungs in church and sometimes when I look at parents struggling I wish I could just go over and help. I know I can't, but maybe some of you who are mothers might offer to sit with a young family and offer support. We have lots of picture books for children by the piety shop. It is particularly difficult for those whose other halves are not with them at Mass and they struggle alone.

Sometimes when we are in Mass we feel unable to offer the simplest care and attention to our fellow parishioners and behave as if they don't exist. For example someone with a bit of a cough, well there is water and beakers. Do we have tissues? Do we know where the books and toys are kept? Is it my job? At the end of the day yes it is. Here is something I read on a noticeboard in a church: The title is That's not my job! This is a story about four people who were called: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody. There was once an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but sadly Nobody did. Somebody got really angry about this because surely it was Everyone's job. Everybody didn't do it because they thought Anybody could do it. In the end Nobody did it which was very sad because in the end Anybody could have done it.

We had an impressive number for the Stations of the Cross on Sunday afternoon at 5pm. Thank you to all who came. We use the Prayer Trust version of Stations. Do you think the pictures are very high up the wall? The church is open from 4 – 5pm (heating on) for quiet prayer.

I shall be on retreat in Walsingham this week and as long as we are not snowed in I will aim to light a candle at the Grotto for your intentions and ask Our Lady's prayers for you all. The retreat is being led by Fr John Udris for clergy from across the country.

We have been asked to host the Penitential Service for our 3 local churches. I was thinking April 4th which is Tuesday of Holy Week. You could come early and avoid the rush as we have confessions on Saturdays 9.15am - 9.45am and 4.45pm – 5.15pm.

Every Blessing,
Fr John

CAFOD LENT APPEAL: This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help those affected by the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give today using the envelope or at cafod.org.uk/give and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world. If you pay tax you can gift aid your donation.

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS: We have been invited to participate in the Prayer and Life Workshops which will run for a period of 15 weeks. You would be asked to attend a 2-hour weekly meeting on a Saturday morning between 10.00-12.00 midday at Saint Augustine's parish hall. You will also be asked to commit yourself to a half hour of daily prayer and scripture reading. Next weekend one of those who have taken part in previous workshops will speak to us at the end of Mass. The starting date would be Saturday 25th March. This undertaking involves the cluster parishes of ourselves, Our Lady of the Wayside, Shirley and Saint Augustine's, Solihull. Further information may also be obtained on the Prayer and Life website.

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST COMMUNION: These lessons are for children in Year 3 or older who do not attend a Catholic school. Our first class will begin on 4th March 4.30pm-5.20pm in the Parish Centre. Please let Isabel Cusack know asap on 07919 685685 or isabelcusack@yahoo.co.uk

JOB VACANCY: Estates Manager working for Father Hudson's Care across multiple sites in Coleshill. The role is full time (37 hours) with a salary of £35086-£40152 and an on call allowance of £110 per week (usually on call 2 out of every 4 weeks). If you would like to discuss the Estate Manager position please call our CEO Andy Quinn on 07966 935533 (direct applicants only, no agencies), or see vacancy details and download an application form here <https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/vacancies/facilities-manager/337.htm>

TINNED MEAT SUNDAY: Many thanks to those who supported the above. During Lent, if you would like to keep this up, and achieve some of your fasting and almsgiving in one go, perhaps you would consider going without meat for one day a week and donating some tinned meat to our foodbank collection basket in the narthex. Not forgetting the babies, we do have a need for some baby milk formula (1&2) if you feel able to help with that instead.

RECYCLE YOUR USED INK CARTRIDGES...and raise money for charity. Please continue to recycle your used inkjet (not laser) printer cartridges by placing them in the Recycle4Charity green box in the narthex.

PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS			
Mon 6 th	Central England Pilates	Hall	9.30 – 11.00
	HeadStart Tuition	Conf Room	15.40 – 16.40
	Kick Boxing	Hall	17.00 – 20.00
Tue 7 th	Rock Choir	Hall	9.30 – 12.30
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.30 – 15.00
	HeadStart Tuition	Conf Room	15.30 – 18.30
Wed 8 th	Rhythm Time	Hall	9.00 – 12.00
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.00 – 16.00
	SVP	Hall	14.00 – 15.00
	Kick Boxing	Hall	17.00 – 19.00
Thurs 9 th	Language Classes	Conf Room	15.30 – 17.30
	Scanlan Irish Dancing	Hall	17.00 – 18.00
	Central England Pilates	Hall	18.30 – 19.30
Fri 10 th	Amy Price Step Class	Hall	10.00 – 11.00
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.00 – 17.00
	Kickboxing	Hall	16.15 – 17.45
	AA	Conf Room	18.30 – 20.30
Sat 11 th	Tea & Coffee after Mass	Hall	18.00 – 19.00
Sun 12 th	Tea & Coffee after Mass & Food bank collection	Hall	9.30 – 12.30
<i>It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846 963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com</i>			



Your Prayers are asked

For those who are Sick: Dorothy Perkins, Michael Grosvenor, Tony Burdett, Jill Baynham, Des Bentley, Rita Salloway, Leo Hughes and Jaxon Rochford, Tessa Waters. *Let us also remember those who care for them.*

For those Anniversaries which occur in the last 20 years: Fr Christopher Thornton, Nicola Johnson, Margaretha Francine Yates, Anthony Whitty, Richard Anthony Bourke, Mary Keegan, Pauline Joan Day, Joe Edwards, Cathie Kennedy, Anthony Dean.

Recently Deceased:

OFFERTORY: 26.2.23

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Plate £261

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