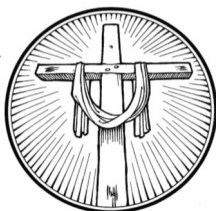


THE SACRED SEASON OF LENT

The Stations (or Way) of the Cross are a mini pilgrimage; a set of prayers and meditations which help us to remember and share in the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ. During the early centuries of the church, Christians travelled to Jerusalem to walk in Jesus' footsteps. Pilgrims travelling to the site of Christ's crucifixion often walked one particular route (known from the 16th century as the Via Dolorosa). Following the 'Way of the Cross' they would stop at regular intervals to pray and to remember key moments of Jesus' suffering and crucifixion. During the Middle Ages, as pilgrimage to the Holy Land became difficult, imitation Ways of the Cross spread across Europe.



The number of stations (scenes) marking Jesus' journey to the Cross has varied considerably over the centuries. Starting as an outdoor devotion on roads leading to a church or shrine, by the end of the 17th century sets of images had found their way inside religious houses and churches. In 1731 Clement XII fixed the number at 14 and that has remained the custom since then, although the scenes and prayers continue to change. The addition of a 15th station, the Resurrection of the Lord, has grown in popularity during the twentieth century.

Praying the Stations of the Cross requires only that you meditate on each station. Before each station you may say:

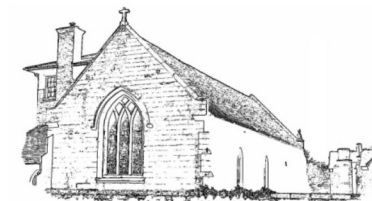
We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

After each station you may say an Our Father, Hail Mary, or Glory be to the Father.

<http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/stations-introduction/>

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Times of Holy Mass and Intentions (YEAR C Readings)

Sunday 10 March

8.30 am -
10.30 am -
5.00 pm -

Monday 11 March

9.00 am -

Tuesday 12 March

9.00 am -

Wednesday 13 March

9.00 am -
9.30 am -

Thursday 14 March

11.30 am -

Friday 15 March

11.30 am -

Saturday 16 March

10.00 am -

Sunday 17 March

8.30 am -
10.30 am -
5.00 pm -

There will be a second collection on Sunday 17 March for Cafod Lent Fast Day

First Sunday in Lent

Day of Prayer for Vocations

For the People of The Parish

Joseph Dowdall (100th birthday thanksgiving)

Stations of The Cross

Lent Feria (Dementia Prayer Week)

John Vogelzanny R.I.P.

Lent Feria (Dementia Prayer Week)

Holy Souls

Lent Feria (Dementia Prayer Week)

Doreen Millard R.I.P.

Discussion Group (please see note below)

Lent Feria (Dementia Prayer Week)

Private Intention

Lent Feria (Dementia Prayer Week)

Noel Clark R.I.P.

Lent Feria (Dementia Prayer Week)

Lent Fast Day

Gillian Gallagher R.I.P.

Second Sunday in Lent

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

(Dementia Prayer Week)

Pat Godwin R.I.P.

For the People of The Parish

Stations of The Cross



"Where two or three
come together in my
name, there I am
with them."
Matt 18:20

The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm> (click on The Parish Version) either for your personal use at home or in anticipation of the **GROUP DISCUSSION** on **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**. The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone. Do come along for a coffee and an exchange of ideas!

Anniversaries in March: Rev John Marsden (1824), Ann Parkes (1863), Joseph Chare (1865), Rev John Brownlow (1888), Philip Alfred Haskew (1897), William Benedick Oakley (1908), Henry Mercer (1974), Anna Newton Keenan (1992), Ernest Godwin (1993), Ann Kiley (2004), Martin Amphlett (2013), Geraldine Pritchard (2017), Aubrey Campbell (2018), Tom Wilcox (2018), Anthony Francis-Flores (2018)

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael Millard R.I.P. who died recently. Michael was the son of Doreen & Bernard Millard.

Prayers for the sick: Denis Conway, Kathleen Clark, Anthony Mitchell, Jeannie Morrison, Charles Paice, Michael Bird.

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday 10 March Paul Walmsley, Bridget Robson
Elizabeth Mountford, Carla Tucker
Sunday 17 March Eddie Picardo, Michael Jones
Annick Harvey, Joan McKay

Readers:

Sunday 10 March Anne Carter
Anne Taylor
Sunday 17 March Pat Van Zyl
Tony Blackman

Church Cleaners:

Friday 15 March Anne Carter & Brian Hogg
Friday 22 March Anne Quinn & Pauline Teare

Money Counters:

For the 10 March collection Marie Hesketh & Julie Charuk
For the 17 March collection Mr J W Bradley

Contributions to the Parish:

Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 3 March

Gift Aid Direct Debits £259.00
Gift Aid Envelopes £292.00
Loose cash £164.60

Second collection taken on 3 March for the *Cathedral Maintenance Fund*: £ 180.00
(Donations may still be made today and will be forwarded to the Diocese this week)

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Mrs J Lloyd - 01562 754448

- If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church's work, please call **0121 230 6240**.
- If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on **0808 800 5000**.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Mr M Dawson

EMERGENCY EXIT: Via sacristy and through the house



Our regular **FOOD BANK** collection is today, **SUNDAY, 10 MARCH**. The organisers tell us they are in very short supply of various food items and all contributions are gratefully received. If preferred cash donations are welcome and may be placed in the named envelopes in the porch and handed to Fr John.



THE BOOK GROUP are meeting in the stable at 9.30 on **Monday 11 March** to discuss *The Go-Between* by L P Hartley. Everyone is welcome to join in the group, whether or not they have read the book.



The parish social committee invites you to attend an introduction to a series of family group **PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS** that are going to be run later in the Spring. The presentation will be in the stable on **Sunday 7 April** after **10.30 Mass**. Please see the posters in the church porch and stable for further details.



HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL extend an invitation to all families to attend a Hot Cross Bun Service on Wednesday 27 March at 7pm at the School. Join them for a hot cross bun & a cup of tea before pupils lead you through some Lenten activities to help you and your family to prepare spiritually for Easter. Suitable for accompanied children. RSVP online: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/hchs19hcb>

The School also warmly welcome parishioners aged 60+ to an Afternoon Tea, to be held on Wednesday 8 May (13:30-15:00). Come along and indulge your tastebuds whilst our B-Attituders (the Sixth Form branch of the SVP) give you the VIP treatment and entertain you for the afternoon. Please RSVP by 8/5/19: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/hchs19at>



The **BRING & BUY BAKE SALE:** The organisers are grateful for the support received last Sunday, the customers are grateful for the delicious goodies and the Parish is grateful for the magnificent sum of £176.10 raised as a result!



The local organisers of the **International Interdenominational WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** thank everyone who supported the event held at St Mary's on Friday 1 March. The offering sum of £86 will be forwarded to the national committee for Christian education and charitable causes



FATHER HUDSON'S CARE has places available for the Birmingham and Midland Velo, a 100-mile sponsored cycle on 12 May. Anyone interested in riding in aid of our diocesan social care agency should call Father Hudson's on 01675-434059 or e-mail fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk before 12 March.