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THE NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Lent (year C)

Mass Schedule for this week

Date	Time	Intention	Feast
Sa 9 th	5.30pm St P's	Marco Luigi Radice	Vigil of the 1 st Sunday of Lent (year C)
Su 10 th	9.30am St J's	For the Parish	1 st Sunday of Lent (year C)
	11.00am St P's	For the College	1 st Sunday of Lent (year C)
M 11 th	NO MASS		Weekday in Lent
T 12 th	8.00am St P's	Margaret & Patrick Henry	Weekday in Lent
W 13 th	8.00am St P's	For the Pope's Intentions	Weekday in Lent
Th 14 th	8.45am SMH	For the School	Weekday in Lent
F 15 th	8.00am St P's	Florian Stahl	Weekday in Lent

(Every Saturday Afternoon: **Holy Hour with Confessions** at 4.30pm, **Benediction** at 5.15pm)

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope
P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday F = Founders Mass D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time. Mary Arrowsmith, Lawrence Edwards, Henry Holden, Margaret Mary Thistlethwaite and Doreen Howell. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

Readings at Mass

	1 st Sunday of Lent (yr C)	2 nd Sunday of Lent
First	Deut 26; 4 - 10	Gen 15; 5-12, 17-18
Second	Rom 10; 8 - 13	Phil 3; 17 - 4;1
Gospel	Luke 4; 1 - 13	Luke 9; 28 - 36

Diocesan Website:

<http://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk>

for information on our Diocese and what is happening.

Praying with the Pope in March 2019

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

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information.

To Keep a True Lent

Is this a Fast, to keep The Larder lean?
And clean from fat of veals and sheep?

Is it to quit the dish of flesh,
Yet still to fill the platter high with fish?

Is it to fast an hour, or ragged go,
Or show a down-cast look and sour?

No: 'tis a fast to dole thy sheaf of wheat
And meat unto the hungry soul.

It is to fast from strife and old debate, and hate;
To circumsise thy life.

To show a heart grief-rent;
To starve thy sin, not bin;
And that's to keep thy Lent.

ROBERT HERRICK

Today

Is the first Sunday of Lent. Hopefully we have all chosen a "Lenten Penance" as a way of deepening our relationship with the Lord.

The Gospel recounts how Jesus fasted for 40 days and how he overcame the temptations of the devil. The parents of our Poetry pupils will join us for the 11am Mass.

Also today the Rite of Election takes place in the Cathedral in Salford at 2.30pm. We have two people to be received into the church this Easter. Please pray for them during Lent.

Bishop's Letter on our common home

Our Bishop, John Arnold, has written about caring for our common home. There is a copy of his letter, and accompanying practical flyer, available at the back of the church. You might like to incorporate some of his ideas into your Lenten observances.

Hummingbird Project

It is now confirmed that our refugee family will be arriving in early summer. Plans are well advanced for getting their house ready, but we will need more volunteers to assist once they arrive. There is an information evening where you can learn more about this project on Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Shireburn Alms. All welcome.

Pope Francis completes 6 years

Wednesday marks the 6th anniversary of the election of our Pope. Please keep him in your prayers.

Mini Retreat for Eucharistic Ministers

The first of our Lenten retreats takes place next Saturday. This one is aimed at our Eucharistic Ministers, but others interested in this ministry are welcome to take part. The retreat takes place from 2 to 4pm in the Dashwood Room (parish room) of Father's House.

The Collection

Weekend 2nd / 3rd March 2019

Vigil	9.30am	11.00am	TOTAL
£110.10	£93.52	£77.50	£281.12

Thank you for your generosity.

Next Sunday

Is the second Sunday of Lent. The Gospel tells how Jesus was transfigured before his disciples.

There is a class for those making their First Communion this year at 8.30am in St Joseph's. The 9.30 Mass next Sunday will be directed at these children.

There will be a cake sale in St Joseph's after the 9.30am Mass to raise funds for the St Augustine's Lourdes pilgrimage. Perhaps buy a cake to remember St Patrick!

Jesuit Mission appeal

Jesuit Missions will be making an appeal in the parish at all Masses over the weekend 23rd / 24th March. Please be generous.

Lent Saturday Afternoon Retreats

Our Eucharistic Ministers have their retreat this Saturday. Other retreat to follow:

Sat 23rd March: Readers

Sat 30th March: Children's Liturgy animators

Each retreat will run from 2 to 4pm and will involve some prayer and some practical activity related to the ministry.

All those involved in these ministries are invited to take part, but other people who are interested in this area of service are also welcome to attend.

The three mini retreats will take place in the Dashwood Room (parish room) of Father's House.

The Society of Jesus chooses new priorities

Fr General of the Society of Jesus has announced 4 major priorities for all Jesuit works to keep in mind:
+Promoting discernment and the spiritual exercises
+Walking with the excluded
+Caring for our common home
+Journeying with youth

The Parish Council will discuss how we can contribute to these priorities as a Jesuit Parish at the next Parish Council meeting. Your suggestions are welcome.

Fr Phelim McGowan SJ RIP

Some of you might have known Fr Phelim, though he never served here in Stonyhurst. He died last week at our care home in Boscombe. Please pray for the repose of his soul.