



YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for the following priests of the diocese:

Fr Moses Pitya, Fr Michael Power, Fr Martin Pratt, Fr Joseph Quigley, Fr John Redford, Canon Peter Reilly, Fr Michael Roche

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

PARISH GROUPS

Rosary Group: Mondays at 8pm

Women's Christian Union: Thursdays at 9.15am

SVP: meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm.

CAFOD group: meets monthly

Choir: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.45pm

Music Group: contact Julie Train

Guild of St Stephen (altar servers): last Sat of the month at 9am

Play Group & Nursery: contact Ann King on 671356

Living Stones Prayer Group: meets alternate Tuesdays at 7.30pm

Youth Club: 1st Friday of the month at 7.30pm

Diners' Club: meets monthly

Men's Breakfast: 1st Saturday of the month 8.30am

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: Pat Greene & Maureen Barnes, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm

Gift Aid Organiser: Angela Thompson

Child Protection: Pauline Lerner

Parish Magazine: Margaret Taylor

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Sunday 11.30am

Sacrament Marriage: By Appointment

Adoration: Thursdays 8-8.30pm & as announced

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

Brownhills St Bernadette: Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am

Cannock SS Mary & Thomas More: Sat 6.15pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am

Hednesford Our Lady of Lourdes: Sun 9.30am, 5.30pm

Lichfield Holy Cross: Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6pm, Sun 11am

Rugeley SS Joseph & Etheldreda: Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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MASS TIMES

Week beginning Sunday 21st March 2010

Sunday Cycle: Year C; Weekday Cycle: Year II

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Saturday	5pm	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday	10am	Mass	<i>Oisin Sweeney</i>
	6pm	United Service (St Joseph's)	

Weekday Services

Monday	7pm	Mass & Rosary	<i>Mauree Stofira</i>
Tuesday	9.15am	Mass (in school, Y6)	<i>Mr Aidan Farrell</i>
Wednesday	12pm	Mass	<i>Nellie Parnell</i>
Thursday	7.30pm	The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration	
Friday	11.30am	Requiem Mass	<i>Sydney Breeze</i>
	7pm	Stations of the Cross	

Palm Sunday

Saturday	5pm	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday	10am	Mass	<i>Ellen Day</i>

CONFESSIONS: Sat 27 March: 9.15-10am; 4-4.30pm; 6-6.30pm; Tues 30 March: Lichfield Penitential Service: 7.30pm; Weds 31 March: from 7pm

PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

O Blessed St Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, extend to all God's children the care you showed to the Holy Family in Nazareth and pray for us as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist. Guide & protect all the people of our parish and make the light of Christ shine among us so that His Kingdom may be established in our midst. Amen.

FINANCE

FIRST COLLECTION: Gift Aid: £192.55 Loose: £269.16 Total: **£461.71**
SECOND COLLECTIONS: last Sunday: Easter Flowers £269.16
this Sunday: Father Hudson's Lent Appeal / next Sunday: Church Maintenance

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Those who have died recently: Sydney shall, Sam McCabe, Rosie Nugent, Niamh Breeze, Arthur Clissett, Geoff Harris, Poole, Isobel Richards, Lucy Richards, Mary Elliot, Gertrude Farrell, Sylvester, Bethany Simpkins, Jessica Smith, Samuel Kevin Saxon, Maureen Hinbest, Peter Tapper, Darryl Worth Bishop

Those whose anniversaries occur this week: John Fitzpatrick, Ellen Edwards, Charles Quinn, Howard Hurley, Diane Flynn, St John Bettesworth

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Those preparing for the sacrament of Holy Communion: Daniel Cartwright, Charlie Davies, Joshua Dunn, Jack Dunning, Karina Falco, Jemima Gartshore, Molly Hassell, Joshua Levell, Connor Mander, Todd Marshall, Kien O'Donnell, Niamh Simpkins, Sam Whitehouse

Those preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation: Jamie Campbell, Bradley Cantrill, Lucy Cartwright, Bethany Cunningham, Bradley Dunn, Emily Galvin, Henry Gardner, Yasmin Herd, Christopher Ilesley, Joe Ireson, Courtney Jordan, Dominique Levell, James Malley, Kay Mar-

shall, Sam McCabe, Rosie Nugent, Niamh Poole, Isobel Richards, Lucy Richards, Bethany Simpkins, Jessica Smith, Samuel Tapper, Darryl Worth

The sick & housebound: Betty Bardell, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Joan Coley, Maura Connelly, Anne Corfield, Teresa Cormican, Auriel Dalley, Fr Brendan Donlan, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Pat Greene, Jill Gutteridge, Tracy Holland, Catherine & Len Holloway, Charlotte Hughes, Mary Hughes, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, Kay McCulloagh, Lily McGrath, Michael McGowan, Tracy McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita McLean, Diane Meddings, Paul Robert Moffat, Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Derrick Stone, Jenny Summerfield, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Winnie Williams, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy.

The Word This Week

There is a logical development in the readings this Sunday: in the Old Testament, God asks us to look forward to the "new deed he will do", when he will put "water in the wilderness"; we then see the new deed, which Paul talks about, to be the "supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus", and sharing the "power of his resurrection"; so who is this Jesus, and how is he "water in the wilderness"? It is because he brings hope for the future and forgiveness of our sins, as the Gospel story relates. This Sunday's readings are there for our encouragement, to help us look forward to Easter, and the meaning of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection: that meaning is Reconciliation and a new creation (as we heard last week). We are driven on through Lent by a vision of the marvels that God has worked, and that God will work for us.



GENERAL NOTICES

CATHOLIC QUESTION TIME

Last week's answer: The word 'Maundy' comes from the Latin word *Mandatum* (Commandment) referring to the new commandment Jesus gave his disciples at the Last Supper (to love one another) *This week's question:* From where does the tradition of the Stations of the Cross come from?

CONFESSIONS

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6-6.30pm

Tues 30 March: Lichfield Penitential Service: 7.30pm

Weds 31 March: from 7pm

ROSARY GROUP: During Lent, there will be Rosary & Benediction on Monday evenings in church, straight after Mass.

LIVING STONES: Meeting Tuesday 23 March at 7.30pm in the school chapel.

JOURNEY IN FAITH: The next meeting will be on Mon 22 March at 7.30pm

YOUTH GROUP: Next meeting on Fri 19 March, 7.30pm

CAFOD CAKE SALE: There will be a cake sale after Mass on Sunday to raise money for Cafod.

EASTER FLOWERS: Please bring along to church pots of spring bulbs in order to decorate the church for Easter.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE: There will be a meeting here at St Joseph's for those who are going to the Holy Land in August on Fri 23 April at 7.30pm

INVOCATION 2010: This is a unique national vocations discernment weekend 2-4 July at Oscott College aimed at 16-35 yr olds. See website www.invocation.org.uk Cost £50. The parish would pay for 2 people to go.