

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.

PARISH GROUPS

Rosary Group: Mondays after Mass
SVP: meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm.
CAFOD group: meets monthly
Music Group: contact Julie Train
Bereavement Group: contact Maureen Barnes
Guild of St Stephen (altar servers): last Sat of the month at 9am
Play Group & Nursery: contact Ann King on 671356
Youth Club: 1st & 3rd 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: Maureen Barnes & Cath Nugent, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm
Gift Aid Organiser: Angela Thompson
Child Protection: Breda Helm
Parish Magazine: Margaret Taylor / Tony Hayward
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm or by appointment
Sacrament of Baptism: after Mass on Sundays
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 5.15pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am
Hednesford Our Lady of Lourdes: Sat 6pm, Sun 9.30am
Lichfield Holy Cross: Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6am, Sun 11am
Rugeley SS Joseph & Etheldreda: Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm

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ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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Parish Priest: Fr Patrick Mileham

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Week beginning Sunday 20 March 2011

Sundays Year A; Weekdays Year 1; Psalter Week 2

Sunday 20 March

5pm (Sat)

10am

6pm

Second Sunday of Lent

Mass

Mass

United Service

Martin Bayliss

People of the Parish

Chasetown Methodist church

Monday 21 March

7pm

Monday of Lent

Mass

Mike Stanley

Tuesday 22 March

9.15am

Tuesday of Lent

Mass (in school)

Special Intention

Wednesday 23 March

St Turibius of Mongrovejo

No Service

Thursday 24 March

7pm

Thursday of Lent

Mass

Susan Burke

Friday 25 March

12pm

7pm

The Annunciation of the Lord

Mass

Stations of the Cross

Mrs Margaret Briggs

Saturday 26 March

10am

4pm

Saturday of Lent

First Confessions

Confessions

Sunday 27 March

5pm (Sat)

10am

11.30am

Third Sunday of Lent

Mass

Mass

Baptism

Lorna Gillies

People of the Parish

K. R. L. Macbeth

THE WORD THIS WEEK

Lent is a Season of preparation for the whole Paschal Triduum – Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday: not just a time to reflect on the Cross. Often our Lenten devotions can focus exclusively on the Cross, and the idea of Baptism can be lost. This is why the Church invites us to join the disciples in looking beyond the cross this Sunday: we see the glory of Easter, the glory of the resurrection and the glory of the baptised. We see all this in the Transfiguration: we are invited to recognise who Jesus is. It is the glorified Jesus, whom we will celebrate at Easter, who calls us to journey through Lent, just as God called Abram to journey far from his home. So the readings lead to us acknowledge that Lent is a very special 'calling', to follow the Lord of glory to the renewal of baptismal purity.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have died recently: Muriel Hayes, Teresa Averill, Patrick William Ryan, Susan Burke, Angela Felgate, Winnie Williams, Betty Bardell, John Anthony Stokes, Charlotte Hughes.

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

The sick & housebound: Sheila Appleton (nee Levell), Chris Austin, Christopher Barton, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Joan Coley, Anne Corfield, Auriel Dalley, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Jill Gutteridge, Tracy Holland, Mary Hughes, Dorothy Hurley, Clare Kettle, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, 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, Michael Stanley, Derrick Stone, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy

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

FINANCE

Collection 26-27 Feb: £427.87 (gift aid: £188 loose £239.87)

Second collections: last Sunday: Church Maintenance £263.54

this Sunday: Cafod Family Fast

next Sunday: SPA (Society of St Peter the Apostle)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

GENERAL NOTICES

CATHOLIC QUESTION TIME

Last week's answer: The last Catholic Monarch of the UK was King James II
This week's question: Which mountain is the traditional site of the Transfiguration?

LIFE WALK: Kathryn Wilcox Memorial Walk on Sat 16 April, starting at Aldridge 1pm, Wall 2pm, ending at Holy Cross, Lichfield. Contact Gerard Wilcox (256410) for more info. Sponsorship forms available at the back of church.

RECEPTION INTO THE CHURCH:

Please could those who are attending the Journey in Faith sessions and who wish to be Baptised / Received, come to a meeting on Mon 21 March, 7.30pm so that the paperwork can be done. Please let Fr Patrick know if this is a problem

CONCERT: Cannock ex-servicemen's club male voice choir (soloist Diana Gunn) will be coming to sing on Sat 19 March, the feast of St Joseph. 7 for 7.30pm, tickets will be £5, children free. Proceeds to the choir, Cafod & the British Legion. Refreshments available.

ROSARY GROUP: Meeting at 8pm on Monday 28 February at 9 Hamps Close, Burntwood. All welcome.

MEDJUGORJE: Marian Tours Pilgrimage 15—22 May, £519 (insurance £20 if required). Contact Josie Smith on 01889 582146 if interested.

CAFOD GROUP: Next meeting on Mon 4 April 7.30pm. All welcome. Thanks to all who helped with the 'Big Brew' last Sunday which raised £173.

HILTON TALKS

Life in the Spirit Seminars will be held from Easter to Pentecost
For more details ring Julie: 01543 672923 or Nichola: 01543 480428

PARISH DAY OF PRAYER: Thanks to all who supported the Day of Prayer last Tuesday, it was good to see so many coming to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

RETREAT DAY: at Hilton 'The Parish: a School of Prayer'. Please join us on Sat 26 March, 10.45—3.45 includes adoration, a talk on the mass, prayer, discussion etc. Refreshments provided, please bring a plate of food to share during lunch. Thank you.

LENTEN LUNCHESS: If anyone is unable to get to the 12pm Mass & lunch on the Fridays of Lent, someone from the Cafod Group will happily collect. Please call 672404 / 686943

5p COLLECTION: This collection has now reached £1000! Thanks to Jackie Sedgeley & Helen Harvey for collecting & counting the money which will go towards the church bell.

LENT TALKS: A series of talks entitled The Religious Life will be taking place at Holy Cross in Lichfield: Thurs of Lent at 7.30pm.

Sunday refreshments: Michelle and Paul Flanagan