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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Kevin Douglas. They can be contacted at: sg.stjoseph.malvern@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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CLEANING OUT THE TEMPLE OF OUR HEARTS

Exodus 20: 1-17 Psalm 18 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 John 2: 13-25 Today's readings teach us that Lent is the ideal time for cleaning out the Temple of our own hearts and to offer to God proper Divine worship by obeying the Ten Commandments. They also teach us that our relationship with God demands that we should keep our parish Church holy and our Divine worship vibrant by our active participation in the liturgy with hearts cleansed by repentance. Our Church is the place where we come together as a community to love and praise God. It is the holy place where we gather strength to support one another in the task of living the Gospel. It is the place where we come privately to enter into intimate conversation with God. In this building many prodigal sons and daughters have met the merciful Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and have been welcomed back to our community. In this building, tears have been shed by those in pain and grief. Let's take time to look around our Church and treasure it. When we pass our Church, we might take the time to make a brief visit.

DAY	DATE	DETAILS OF THE DAY	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	INTENTION
Fri	01	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	7.00pm	To be led by Isabel Vanspruce for LIFE	
Sat	02	FEAST OF ST CHAD, BISHOP	10.00am	Holy Mass	Intention of Felix Stephen (Lizzy Phillip)
Sat	02	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (VIGIL)	6.00pm	Holy Mass	John Eckersley (Fran & Max Mainini)
Sun	03	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT First Scrutinises: Presentation of the Our Father.	10.00am	Holy Mass- Live streamed	Zina Cumming † (Vicky Alfanzo)
Mon	04	LENT FERIA	11.30am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	Brian Ingles (Well-being)
Tue	05	LENT FERIA	7.45am	Holy Mass	Intentions of Giulio & Annabel
Wed	06	LENT FERIA		Private Mass	
Thur	07	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.00am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thur	07	LENT FERIA	7.00pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	(Matthew † Bincy Jennymon)
Fri	08	LENT FERIA	9.15am	No Mass – School Lenton Reconciliation Service (Year 5&6)	
Fri	08	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	7.00pm	One World Group	
Sat	09	LENT FERIA	10.00am	Holy Mass	
Sat	09	EVE OF FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Intention of Felix Stephen (Lizzy Philip)
Sun	10	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	10.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	Vincent Rooney † (Marion Haley)
Sun	10	RECONCILIATION SERVICE AT ST WULSTANS	4.00pm	Reconciliation Service	

HOLY MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed on some days via YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stjosephs.rcparish.malvernuk> or
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGyZ7CmmPDRxzmTt>

- ❖ **Pope's Prayer Intention for March:** For the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.
- ❖ **Fr Naz hears confession** in the Confessional from 10:30am until 11 am on Saturdays or by appointment.
- ❖ **GOSPEL SHARE GROUP** meets every Friday in the McEnnis Room at 7.30 pm for one hour. Please come and join in.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: Clare Gray, Michael Nealon, Irma Bevan, Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Anne-Marie Elder, Margaret Coleman, Jessica, and Christine Smith. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for them. **Amen.**

This Sunday there will be a Second Collection for Cathedral Maintenance.

World Day of Prayer. Friday 1st March Services: 2pm at Christ Church, Avenue Road WR14 3AY with choir from Malvern St James and at 7.30pm at the Friends Meeting House, Orchard Road WR14 3DA and at 7.30pm at St. James Church, Callow End WR4 2TA. The service this year has been prepared by Christian women of Palestine. Do come and support Palestinian Christians.

SESSION ON THE YEAR OF PRAYER: Our shared Malvern, Upton & Blackmore Park Lent & Easter programme, Reflecting and Praying on '**Hallowed be Thy Name**' will be at Our Lady and St Alphonsus Blackmore this Wednesday 06/03 at beginning with a bit of fellowship at 6.30pm followed by a 15-minute input on: "Hallowed be Thy Name" by Father Naz and a discussion/sharing on "Participating with Prayer in the Work of Salvation" and concluding with 15 minutes of prayer – ending at 7.45pm. Next week's session 13/03 will be at St Joseph's Malvern and will focus on: "Thy Kingdom Come" – full schedule for the 9 weeks is in the Narthex. A big thank you to Roger Watson for a very reflective session on the "Who art in Heaven".

EASTER GARDEN COMPETITION: Children are invited to create a miniature Easter Garden in a tray or on a plate (maximum length, 40 cm). There will be a prize each for the best entry from key stage 1, key stage 2 and up to year 11. We are looking for a scene that may include an empty tomb, miniature plants, etc. Entries to be submitted from 10.30 am on Good Friday until 11.am on Easter Saturday, and must have the child's name and year group on a label, parent/carer contact details on the back.

ST WULSTAN'S PARISH INVITES US to join and participate in their second session on Saturday 2nd March in their parish room from 11.45am exploring the Holy Father's invitation to become better stewards of our planet in his open letter 'Laudato Si', as we watch the Film "The Letter". The second session will unpack the detail in that letter and discern how we can respond, with Martin Davis who will give us a guided talk through Laudato Si'. The sessions should finish by 1.30pm with a soup and cheese lunch provided.

LENT CLUSTER PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Sunday 10th March at 4.00pm at St Wulstan's, Little Malvern
Sunday 17th March at 4.00pm at St Joseph's, Malvern

MESSY VINTAGE SERVICE 'CELEBRATING SPRINGTIME'

Thursday March 7th at 2.00 p.m.

at Holy Trinity Church, Malvern WR14 4LR

A fun, informal Service to celebrate Springtime, especially for Older People, including hymns, readings, and Messy Vintage. followed by refreshments. All are welcome. People living with Dementia or with Special Needs and their carer's, are especially welcome. Parking is available directly outside the Church door.

Well Counselling Service Fundraising Quiz Night - Saturday

9th March 2024 - The monthly fundraising quiz evening will take place in the Lyttelton Rooms Main Hall on Saturday 9th March. As ever, teams will be competing for almost fabulous prizes and the object is to have an entertaining, sociable evening rather than a highly competitive quiz.

The doors open at 7pm and the quiz gets going at about 7.30, once we have helped people arriving in ones and twos to join or form teams. There is no need to book, simply turn up.

The cost is £3.00 per head plus a contribution for tea, coffee, squash, biscuits etc. Proceeds for the Well Counselling. The first two Quizzes of the year have raised almost £400 for Well Counselling.

The Thursday Group will be meeting in the McEnnis room at 2.00pm on **Thursday March 7th** to listen to a talk by John & Penny Platts called "Incredible India". Visitors are welcome to join us.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION – BELMONT ABBEY, Ruckhall Lane, Hereford HR2 9RZ, Saturday, 9th March 2024. Organised by Andrew Grant on behalf of the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta. The programme begins from 10am with tea /Coffee and runs through till 15.30 with a lunch break in between. Cost £40.00 per person including lunch. RSVP and cheque payments to: Andrew Grant, Bransford Manor, Chapel Lane, Bransford, WR6 5JG. BACS PAYMENT DETAILS: Sort Code: 60-95-34 A/C: 74257804. The Menu choices are on the reply form in the Narthex.

Events

5th March – Tuesday – FHC 5pm-6.30pm

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15th March – Friday – PAC Meeting – 7.45pm in Person or via Zoom

Parish Lenten Soup Café to support our One World Group will be up and running on Mondays during Lent continuing from Monday 4th March in the McEnnis Room, from 12 noon following the 11.30am Mass. Do come and meet others for these very sociable lunches where will be a choice of soups and bread, followed by tea and coffee. There is no set charge for the lunch, but donations are welcome and will go towards the cost of providing the soup and supporting the One World Group projects. We look forward to sharing our Lent with you. "

NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES IN MASS TIMES: Following the Mass time survey we had to change the Sunday Mass Times: Fr Naz is very grateful for the responses he received concerning the timing of Masses on Sundays that might allow one priest to serve both St Joseph's, Upton and St Joseph's, Malvern. He is particularly thankful for the understanding that has been shown of his predicament: to serve both parishes he must allow enough time to offer the Mass with proper reverence in both localities and also allow time for him to meet with parishioners after the Masses and to travel between the two. The Sunday Mass times will, therefore, change on the 7th of April, that is the Sunday after Easter, to 9am at Upton and 11am at Malvern; and will follow that pattern thereafter. These times will inevitably cause a degree of inconvenience but are the times most people opted for. Fr Naz trusts that with tolerance and goodwill we shall adapt to the change. Thank you.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ROTAS are available in the narthex. Please have a look and register where you can be of help in terms of readings, washing of the feet, stewarding and Eucharistic ministry

There will be a Guest speaker Mark Melliush at

St. Andrews Church, Poolbrook

Sunday 10th March 6-7.30pm

(Diocesan Mission Enabler in Hereford Diocese)

Speaking on 'Pursuing the Presence'

An evening of worship, teaching, and ministry.

All Welcome.

WOMEN'S COFFEE GET TOGETHERS

If you missed the Women's Breakfast organised by the Priory on 24th February there is another opportunity to meet up again at **WOMEN'S COFFEE GET TOGETHERS** Friday 8th March and Friday 3rd May – 10.30am Alturo Lounge, Bellevue Terrace, Malvern WR4 4PZ - Do just turn up – All Welcome.

BIG LENTEN WALK FOR CAFOD 200 Kilometres in 40 Days- I am challenging myself to do this during Lent to raise money to give to CAFOD to help the fight against global poverty. My dog Pepper will also be walking with me. If you would like to sponsor me, please sign up on the sheet I will put on the table in the narthex. Thank you, Win Crawford,