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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Year C

5th – 6th March 2022

Day of prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

REFLECTION

Deuteronomy 26: 4-10

Psalms 9: 1-2, 10-15

Romans 10: 8-13

Luke 4: 1-13

In today's Gospel scene, Jesus relives in His flesh the history of Israel. We've already seen that, like Israel, Jesus has passed through water and been called God's beloved Son. Now, as Israel was tested for forty years in the wilderness, Jesus is led into the desert to be tested for forty days and nights. He faces the temptations put to Israel: Hungry, He's tempted to grumble against God for food. As Israel quarrelled at Massah, He's tempted to doubt God's care. When the Devil asks for His homage, He's tempted to do what Israel did in creating the golden calf. Jesus fights the Devil with the Word of God, three times quoting from Moses' lecture about the lessons Israel was supposed to learn from its wilderness wanderings. Why do we read this story on the first Sunday of Lent? Because like the biblical sign of forty, the forty days of Lent are a time of trial and purification. Lent is to teach us what we hear over and over in today's readings. "Call upon me, and I will answer."

Masses, Service & Intentions

Sat	05	Saturday after Ash Wednesday	10.00am	Livestreamed	Angelo Mainini † (The Mainini Family)
Sat	05	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Day of prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments</i>	6.00pm	Not Livestreamed	Mathew Varghese † (Bincy Jennymon)
Sun	06	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Day of prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments</i>	10.00am	Livestreamed	Angelo Mainini † (The Mainini Family)
Mon	07	Lent Feria	12.00 noon	Livestreamed	Angelo Mainini † (The Mainini Family)
Tue	08	Lent Feria	9.15am	Not Livestreamed	Angelo Mainini † (The Mainini Family)
Wed	09	Lent Feria		Private Mass	
Thu	10	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10am-6:45pm	In Church	
Thu	10	Benediction	6:45pm	In Church	
Thu	10	Lent Feria <i>Novena to St Joseph</i>	7.00pm	Livestreamed	Thanksgiving (Sunil George & Family)
Fri	11	Lent Feria <i>Novena to St Joseph - Lent Fast Day</i>	9.15am	Not Livestreamed	Private Intention (Carol Ann Harnett)
Fri	11	Stations of The Cross Led by the One World Group	7.00pm	Not Livestreamed	
Sat	12	Lent Feria <i>Novena to St Joseph and Dementia prayer week</i>	10.00am	Livestreamed	Private Intention (Jennymon Family)
Sat	12	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Novena to St Joseph and Dementia prayer week</i>	6.00pm	Not Livestreamed	Margaret Coleman – wellbeing (A E Vaughn)
Sun	13	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Novena to St Joseph and Dementia prayer week</i>	10.00am	Livestreamed	Thanksgiving (Sunil George & Family)



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HOLY MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed via YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7Cm mPDRxzmT ttow> 1127 6987 Passcode: 433646

The sanctuary and some front row seats are shown on camera but the rest of the church is not on camera.

FAMILY ACTIVITY PAGES FOR LENT

<https://www.stjosephsmalvern.org/j/images/Documents /Lent-2022-Family-Activities.pdf>

MARCH SAINTS AND FESTIVALS ACTIVITY SHEET

<https://www.stjosephsmalvern.org/j/images/Documents /Saints-March-2022-Family-Activities.pdf>

LENT AT ST JOSEPH'S

Exposition If you would like your intentions prayed for on Thursdays during Exposition this Lent, please put them in the box in front of the altar. Paper and pencil are available in the narthex.

Stations of the Cross will take place at 7pm every Friday during Lent.

Stations of the Cross Exhibition St Joseph's will once again display your work in church depicting Jesus' last hours as he journeys from Jerusalem to the Cross. There are 15 stations (including the Resurrection), and we would love to receive a wide range of images, reflections, poems, prayers etc. from the whole parish, which you have created to use in a real celebration of the Stations of the Cross at the end of Lent. Bring your entries for display after 2nd March.

We shall have soup for lunch after Monday Masses during Lent at Holy Joe's Pop-Up Café (McEnnis room).

Walk With Me Booklets for Lent are available in the narthex for a voluntary donation of £1. Please take one for yourself and for anyone you think may like one.

NINE DAYS OF PRAYERS (NOVENA) FOR UKRAINE from Tue 8th Mar to Wed 16th Mar every evening at 7pm for 10 minutes. Light a candle at home and join in for Zoom prayers. Churches Together in Malvern (CTM) will also be taking part.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84360458022?pwd=V0VU MGvZaUJVK2tXR1QxTUvYUjB6Zz09>

Meeting ID: 843 6045 8022

Passcode: 972783

ST JOSEPH'S YOUTH GROUP will meet on Mon 7th Mar from 7 to 8:30pm in the McEnnis Room for a games night. All parishioners who are of secondary school age are welcome. Please bring your favourite game.

RENEW CAFOD Sat 23rd April from 11am to 5pm. An in-person event for young Catholics aged 18 to 30 at CAFOD's head office in central London. St Joseph's One World Group are happy to cover the costs for two young people from our Parish to attend. If you are interested, contact Michael Townson on m.townson1@btinternet.com or via the Parish Office.

ST JOSEPH'S BOOK GROUP meets on Thur 10th Mar at 7:45 in the McEnnis Room to discuss Naomi Klein's *On Fire: The Burning Case for a Green New Deal*. Please read up to page 168.

UP COMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

6th March: Cathedral Maintenance

13th March: CAFOD Lent Fast Day

20th March: CAFOD Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal

READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & STEWARDS

Following the COVID hiatus, and in preparation for Easter, rota arranger, Alan Hood, would like to confirm details of all those who wish to continue Eucharistic and Reading Ministries (as well as hopefully more traditional Stewarding as things return closer to normality). Would any Ministers who do not receive email, as well as anyone who would like to be added to the rota, please put details of any ministry you wish to do together with your current contact details on the form in the narthex or contact the parish office with the same details. Thank you for your help.

COLLECTION COUNTERS After the Covid hiatus, we may now have Collection Counters back. We would like to operate a five week rota system, with two parishioners in each team, so you only have to count the collections approximately 10 times during the year. Full training will be given. If you are able to assist with this important task, please contact Fr Naz, Chris Park or the Parish Office on 01684 574 250.

PARISH CAR PARK On Sunday mornings, and at certain other times, the car park can become very congested. If you are able, please consider parking nearby so that older/disabled members and those with young children may have easier & safer access to the car park at these times?

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES Fr Naz would like to celebrate parishioners' wedding anniversaries as they arise during the year. If you would like to be included, please fill in the form for Anniversaries in the narthex, with the name of the couple, and the date and number of the anniversary if you wish.

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

RITE OF ELECTION will be on Sun 6th Mar at 3pm at St George's, Worcester for those who will be baptised, received & confirmed in Worcestershire parishes at Easter. Please pray for Liam Thompson, Rachel Thompson, Carys Madeline Thompson, Kaitlyn Sara-Rose Thompson & Felicity Tutton from St Joseph's.

LYTTLETON WELL QUIZ NIGHT Sat 12th Mar at 7:30pm. Teams of four. The cost is £2.50 per head plus a contribution for tea, coffee, cake and biscuits etc. Funds raised will be used for the benefit of The Well Counselling Service.

ST PATRICK'S DAY CEILIDH on Sat 19th Mar from 7pm to 11pm in the Main Hall at St Wulstan's Catholic Church, Welland. Tickets are available from St Joseph's Parish Office for £15 per person.