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CENTRAL IDEA: CONTRITION

**1 John 3:1-5,10 "...** when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth." God wants human beings to turn away from their moral evil. To show they have repented of their moral evil they take on some form of physical evil such as 'fasting' and wearing 'sackcloth.' Contrition is sorrow for sin, and it motivates repentance. **Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9** "Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, guide me in your truth and teach me…" We are all sinners who need to be guided along the right way.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31 "I tell you, brothers and sisters, the time is running out." Time is running out for each one of us, because we each only have one lifespan. We have no idea exactly how much longer we must live until we depart from this life.

Mark 1: 14-20 "The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Entering the kingdom is marked by repenting of sins and believing in the gospel. To believe is to outwardly turn away from sin.

Day	Date	Details of the Day	Time	Mass/Service	Intention
Sat	20	FERIA OF ORDINARY TIME Octave of Christian Unity	10.00am	Holy Mass	Sue Cumming - Recent (Vicki Alfonso)
Sat	20	EVE OF THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Octave of Christian Unity	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Margaret Tully 🍄 (Viv Fox)
Sun	21	THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Octave of Christian Unity	10.00am	Holy Mass	FOR THE CONFIRMANDIS
Sun	21	SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD THE UNITY SERVICE – The Bishop of Worcester – The Right Reverend John Inge - Octave of Christian Unity	3.45pm	Unity Service	
Mon	22	FERIA OF ORDINARY TIME Octave of Christian Unity	12.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	Deacon Anthony Clarkt (Grannia Joinson)
Tue	23	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME Octave of Christian Unity	7.45am	Holy Mass	John Addis 🕆 Recent (Vicki Alfonso)
Wed	24	MEMORIAL OF ST FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH – Octave of Christian Unity		Private Mass	
Thur	25	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.00am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thur	25	FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, THE APOSTLE Octave of Christian Unity	7.00pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	Maureen & George Ward ₱ (Helen Connelly)
Fri	26	MEMORIAL OF Ss TIMOTHY AND TITUS, BISHOPS	9.15am	Holy Mass School Mass: Years 1&2 and 3&4	John Coles ✿ (Susan Van Ling)
Fri	26	Prayer Service at Waterside Care Home	11am		
Sat	27	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Sat	27	EVE OF FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Tom Hogan – Wellbeing (Mrs K Hogan)
Sun	28	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	The Hogan Family (Mrs K Hogan)





### 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/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT\_tto

\* Pope's Intention for January: For the Pope: For the gift of diversity in the Church.

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.

RECENT DEAD · Richard Taylor, husband of Pam Taylor, died Monday, 15th January. Father Christopher Greaney, retired Priest of the Archdiocese.

Next week's Second Collection is for Racial Justice Sunday

**CONFIRMATION: SUNDAY 21ST JANUARY 2024:** We welcome **Archbishop Bernard Longley** who will confer the sacrament of confirmation to four candidates of Confirmation at the 10am Sunday Mass on 21st January. Following the Mass, the archbishop will be led by a group of children from the school to bless the Pam Taylor Library.

**SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD: 21ST JANUARY 2024** "Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world." Pope Francis.

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ON ZOOM:

And here is a reminder of the zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88906950470?pwd=TlpoenZGc2 wveWo4cWhpc1poU29PUT09 Meeting ID: 889 0695 0470 Passcode: 961476 PRAYER LEADERS Thurs 18th Geoff (with Roy Bourner) Fri 19th Ken Martin Sat 20th Gary Crellin Mon 22nd Naz Mgungwe Tues 23rd Dave Clark Wed 24th Stephen Sealy These will be at 7:30pm and will 40 minutes.

### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MALVERN WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Unity Service is being held on Sunday 21st January here at St. Joseph's. Refreshments will be available from 3.45pm and the service will commence at 4.15pm The Speaker will be the Bishop of Worcester, the Right Reverend John Inge.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2024: 18th -25th January "You shall love the Lord your God ...and your neighbour as yourself..." An ecumenical team from Burkina Faso facilitated by the local Chemin Neuf Community has been the convener for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024 drafting group. The World Council of Churches (WCC) and the Vatican have now published the material in several languages. The reflections explore how we find our common identity in the experience of God's love. The specific context of Burkina Faso reflects the need to place love at the centre of the quest for peace and reconciliation. The introduction also notes that Christian communities in Burkina Faso try to live the call to love through mutual hospitality. Events: 23<sup>RD</sup> January - – RCIA – 7pm to 8.30pm

Would you like to connect locally, in-person, with other people who support the pro-life cause? March for Life UK are inviting people to be part of a new initiative called 'Connect' which will help establish local pro-life groups to pray, fundraise, socialise, educate, and get involved in outreach. To find out more and be part of an initial online meeting please email Isabel at info@marchforlife.co.uk

We now have a <u>Maintenance Book</u> at the front of the church for anyone to fill out to let us know if anything needs replacing or fixing, for example changing a light bulb or taps in toilets not working properly. Thank you.

### Lent 2024 – Hot Soup

Each Monday in Lent we would like to welcome you to a shared simple lunch of soup and bread in the McEnnis Room. Mass is at 11.30am followed by lunch in the McEnnis Room at 12 noon. Everyone is welcome but we also need volunteers to either prepare or buy in the soup & bread. Help is always forthcoming to heat and serve the lunch on the day. In the past we have regularly had around 20 people sharing lunch, so that is a good estimate to work to. We do not ask people to sign up to coming in advance.

All the crockery and cutlery etc needed is provided in the McEnnis Room kitchen. Payment is voluntary and based on what you can give. The funds help to pay for the soup and any surplus supports the work of our parish One World Group. If you can help by taking on responsibility for providing the soup & bread on one of the Monday's, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Question - Why do we do this?

Answer – coming together to eat together during Lent, in a simple way, provides a connection between us and those less well off than us. It provides an opportunity for our community to come together and socialise too. It is a shared experience. Dates – 19th February; 26th February; 4th March; 11th March; 18th March; and 25th March. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex if you wish.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARY BOOK**: Besides the Memorial Book we have on display in this church, we would like to introduce the Death Anniversary book to enable us to pray for our loved ones on the Sunday Masses close to their anniversary. Please fill in the names and dates of those you wish to be prayed for on the sheet in the Narthex.

Father Hudson's Care – Thank you for the £127 contribution towards our Annual Collection.