

St John the Evangelist

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1st Sunday of Lent

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Mass Times this Week:

Saturday 5	Feria	
5:45pm	Mass: <i>Tess Heenan RIP</i>	
Sunday 6	1st Sunday of Lent	
10:00am	Mass: <i>Annette Maria Tyrell RIP</i>	
10:00am	Mass:	
Monday 7	Feria	Church locked all day due to Chapter
Tuesday 8	Feria	Church open until 2:30pm
Wednesday 9	Feria	
Thursday 10	Feria	
7:00pm	Churches Together Meeting at the Methodist Church	
Friday 11	Feria	CAFOD family fast day
12:00	Stations of the Cross	
Saturday 12	Feria	
8:45am	Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast at the New Inn/Morning Coffee	
5:45pm	Mass: <i>Ukraine</i>	
Sunday 13	2nd Sunday of Lent	
10:00am	Mass: <i>Mary Melling RIP</i>	

PRAY FOR UKRAINE

Many of you will have heard Fr Wulstan and Fr Hugh mention Pope Francis' appeal for prayers for the suffering people of Ukraine. The Pope called for a special day of prayer and fasting on Ash Wednesday for the whole nation – President Zelenskyy, the government and all the leaders, political and military, of that country.

From the earliest times of the Church, the saints have spoken of the three “pillars” of our Faith: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. Now we are being called to take these as seriously as we can. In his appeal, the Holy Father wrote: “I encourage believers in a special way to dedicate themselves intensely to prayer and fasting on (Ash Wednesday). May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war.” Let us make this Lent a time of prayer and fasting, with perhaps more seriousness than in any other previous year, and let us also remember the third “pillar” – almsgiving:

CAFOD has now set up an appeal for Catholics to do their utmost to come to the aid of their brothers and sisters who are suffering the most appalling anguish. Please help them. If you would like to donate you can find more information on : <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>

Our own bishop has encouraged everyone in the diocese to be as generous as possible, so let us all respond with an open heart, and pray constantly to Our Lady, Queen of Peace for all her beloved Ukrainian children.

SVP Lunch - 25 April

- There is a sign up sheet in the porch for anyone who would like to attend.
- If anyone would be able to make a shepherd's pie, or a cake for this event; or donate a raffle prize, it would be much appreciated. Also kitchen helpers on the day! Please note on the sheet.

Prayer to St Michael

Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down into hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

Thought for the Week

In fact, the external aspects of fasting, though important, do not convey the full measure of the practice. Joined to the practice should be a sincere desire for inner purification, readiness to obey the divine will and thoughtful solidarity with our brothers and sisters, especially the poor.

Pope St John Paul II

Lent Reading

- My Day by Day: We have ordered some of these which we have used in the past. Hopefully we should have them by the weekend, available for £1.
- Bible Alive: There are a few sample copies of the lent edition of this book of daily reflections. Feel free to take one and see if it is something to which you would like to subscribe.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day – Friday 11 March

This Family Fast Day, we remember that there are many people who need our love and support all around the world. Children experiencing malnutrition like Amie's daughter Lombeh did in Sierra Leone or as we are seeing now in Ukraine, families affected by conflict. Your small act of love can make big things happen. Donations to CAFOD this Lent will reach families around the world, enabling local experts to provide support to families in times of need or conflict. You can donate in church using a CAFOD envelope or by visiting the CAFOD website: cafod.org.uk/lent

National Novena to St Joseph: 10 -18 March 2022, St Joseph's Church, Maidenhead

Every year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on the Society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all those who support their work. If you are able, and if it is possible to attend, weekday Masses are at 7:30pm, Saturday at 10am, Sunday at 11am.

If you are unable to attend but would like to join in from home, Masses from St Joseph's Church will be available to follow on Zoom, via the Mill Hill Website: www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena. You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena prayer booklet, via 01628 676909 or novenamhm@gmail.com

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Removal of COVID Restrictions

We are urged to exercise common sense and sympathy for the needs of others, so please read the following guidance carefully and in the spirit of Charity.

- No one is now obliged to wear a mask for Mass or for any other service or function on our premises.
- "Social Distancing" is now no longer required.
- We do intend to restore the Offertory Procession and the circulation of the collection plate. Given our own particular circumstances, however, it is difficult to do this now, so please wait for further advice.
- In order to prevent anxiety unwittingly caused, particularly to those members of our congregation who may still be very vulnerable, we will NOT at the moment be restoring the Chalice at Holy Communion, nor will the Sign of Peace be re-instated.

In church, therefore, as in our day-to-day lives, let us be thankful that we are once again so much freer, but let us also be sensitive to the needs of those who cannot yet feel secure with regard to this virus.

Upcoming Events

April

- Sun 3 4:00pm Passiontide Choral Evensong at Parish Church.
- Mon 25 11:30am SVP Mass (in honour of Mary Melling, RIP) followed by lunch in the Hall

Food Banks

- The next Middlesbrough delivery will be Sunday 3 April. Easter Eggs and treats very welcome.
- Do please remember that we also collect for the Easingwold Food Bank, which helps a large number of families even in our own “prosperous” town and surrounding area.

Offertory Collections and Charities: Thank you for your offerings

- Last Sunday’s collection raised £276. Thank you very much.
- The collection at Mary Capaldi’s funeral raised £332.

Parish Group Contacts

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

the Infirm and Housebound: Rita Ashbridge, David Craig, Paul Gallagher Gerry Kelly; *the Sick:* Jenny Cook, Simon Cunniffe, Marcin Ellingham, Barbara Fox, Brian Harrison, Marta Hatfield, Sarah Hodgkinson, Darren Kennedy, baby Malachi James Mtui, Krystyna Najgrodzka, Vincent O’Donnell, Teresa Catherine Powers, Val Ross, Catherine Scrope, Tilly (Middlesbrough) and Anne Waggott; *those who have died recently:* Tess Heenan, Claire Robinson and Teri Mary Wong; *and those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:* Elanor Mary Cole, Henry Cunningham, Rita Finch, Ernest Russell and Maria Wimmer

Rotas: More help is needed, please speak to Kathryn if you think you can help

Day	Steward(s)	Reader	Coffee	Flowers
Sat 5 March	Fulfords	John Willcox		
Sun 6 March	Sam Moodycliffe	Jill for Jenny	Marion Myers	None in Lent
Sat 12 March	Peter Newbery	Michael Fram		
Sun 13 March	Lizzie Stewart	Susan Harrand	Sheila W and Teresa	None in Lent