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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Those who are ill: Dorothy Howard, Pat Tiger, Sylvia Saxby, John Dean, Patricia Kerr, Shirley Kirkham, Paddy Shillington, Margaret & Robert Gwynne, Kevin Keeley, Mary Norburn, Judith Brook, Sally Shillington, Catherine Keeley, Pam Stephens, Diane Benton, Patricia & Spencer Harvey. Fr. James Lynch, Joseph Wilson, Laura Guest, Odessa Louise-Therese, John Thompson, Shaun Hewson, Winnie Copp, Owen Jenkinson, Thecla Domici.

Those who have died recently: **S. Mary's:** Peter Endean, Eileen Adams, Irene Mander, Lea Small, David Peter Stubbs, Edwin Wrigley, Elizabeth Melling, Christopher John Adlard, Ann Lavarack, Edward Noble, Kerry Ashby. **S. Joseph's:** Sandra Watkinson, Brenda Smith, Joyce Kerswell, Pamela Ogden,

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Thomas O'Connor, Eliza Chappell, June Moss, James Anthony Flynn, Alf Appleby, Guiseppi Cuimento, James Ellison, Larry Walsh, Monica Frances Kay, John Tucker, Abraham Griffin, Henrietta Burton, James Rainey, Joseph Armand Roussil, Charles Thomas Cummings, William Kirk, Anna Broadbent, Michael Kenny, John Henry Corrigan, Charles Basil Clarke, Ann Green, John Wilson Dixon, Thomas Finnerty, Bergetha Connelly, John Bernard Murphy, Barbara Oke.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Second Sunday of Lent

16th - 22nd March 2025, Year C, Psalter Week II

MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

S. Mary's

10.00

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Sunday, 16th March		SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT		
*18.15 (Vigil) *9.00 *11.30	S. Mary's S. Mary's S. Joseph's	Penitents this Lent John D. (private intentions) Deceased members of the Pye family (++)		
Monday, 17th March		SAINT PATRICK, PATRON OF IRELAND		
Tuesday, 18th March		S. Cyril of Jerusalem		
10.00	S. Joseph's	Canon Tadeusz Kordys (+)		
Wednesday, 19th March		SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY		
10.00	S. Mary's	Persecuted Christians of Nigeria		
Thursday, 20th March		S. Alcmund		
10.00	S. Joseph's	Those who have nobody to pray for them		
Friday, 21st March		Lenten Feria		
10.00 15.00 15.00	S. Mary's S. Mary's S. Joseph's	Father Michael Butler of Brentwood (+) Divine Mercy devotion & Stations of the Cross Stations of the Cross		
Saturday, 22 nd March		Lenten Feria		

10.45 -11.45 *18.15(Vigil)	,	Adoration w/ the Holy Rosary & Confessions Barbara Oke (+)
Sunday, 23rd I	March	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
* 9.00 * 11.30	S. Mary's S. Joseph's	Persecuted Christians in Syria The People

Father John McKeon of Brentwood (+)

Please Note. Confessions may be heard after all Masses upon request.

Teas & Coffees: Wednesdays, Thursdays & Sundays after Mass.

^{*} Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Half hour before all Sunday Masses.

NOTICES

- ◆ Introduction to Catholicism w/ Fr Kevin, Mondays at 6 PM on Microsoft Teams. Please email if you would like to attend.
- ◆ Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent at 3 PM at both parishes.
- **♦** Second Collections:
 - ◆ This weekend 15th/16th March: CAFOD Lent Fast Day.
 - ◆ Next weekend 23rd/24th March: National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham

◆ Upcoming events:

- ◆ Diocesan Women's Lent Retreat, Sat 5th April at Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham (NG5 4HT). Visit: <dioceseofnottingham.uk/events>.
- ◆ **Diocesan Men's Lent Retreat**, Sat 12th April at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey. To book, visit: <dioceseofnottingham.uk/events>.
- ◆ Search For Meaning, 9th to 11th May, conference w/ the Carmelite Priory (CACS). Inspired by Saint Edith Stein, about navigating the suffering and uncertainties of life. Full Residential, Daily Attendance or Online Optional Bookings. More info at https://www.carmelite.uk.net/conference-and-events/conference-2025/
- ◆ Search for the Light, a retreat organised by the Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS), Maundy Thursday 17th Easter Sunday 20th April, at The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre. Join the mission team as they walk with young people in Years 10 Year 13 through the Easter Triduum. To book visit: <ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities/search/>.
- ◆ The Jubilee Pilgrimage to Walsingham with Bishop Patrick, Sat 14th June, gathering at the Anglican Shrine with procession to Catholic Shrine starting at 13.00. Holy Mass at 16.00 followed by departures.

Saint Mary's, Louth

- ◆ We are currently having important maintenance work done on the roofs and chimneys of the church and presbytery amounting to £40,000. Any donations to S Mary's Building Maintenance Fund are welcomed most gratefully:

 Acct name St Marys Louth RCP; Acct no. 00108605; Sort code 30-95-22
- ◆ S. Mary's repository: Easter Cards are available for sale. Please see Kate.

Saint Joseph's, Mablethorpe

◆ S. Joseph's repository: In addition to our usual stock of excellent value cards for all occasions we now have cards to mark: a. Saint Patrick's day on 17th march; b. Mother's day on 30th March; c. Easter Cards for 20th April. Drop in and take a look!

A WORD FROM FATHER KEVIN



In our gospel story today, the three cardinal Apostles catch a glimpse of Christ as the angels behold Him. As the glory of the Holy One flashes forth on the mountain, the law-giver and judge Moses and the prophet and moralist Elijah appear alongside. They were talking about the point where Law and prophecy come together, where justice and righteousness are fulfilled, where heaven touches earth and angels walk among men. They are talking about the Passion of and His Christ, His death terrified resurrection. The Apostle S. Peter says an odd

thing - he wants to erect three tabernacles, one for each heavenly figure. This was about the time of the Jewish feast of Tabernacles, when Jews remember the time their forefathers wandered through the desert with Moses as judge, when they lived in tabernacles and grew in their knowledge of God and intimacy with Him, and received His promises. And here's where we can link the story of the Transfiguration to the season of Lent, for as we give up our usual sources of comfort, we walk through the wilderness, giving up the stability of stone and brick homes for the transitory nature of tents, putting ourselves at the mercy of nature, and at the mercy of God. Taking risks for Him. Abandoning to an extent our reliance on ourselves and trusting to a ministry of angels. This is always a challenge because human beings like to be self-sufficient and independent if they possibly can be. But S. Peter (in the story) seems to have been hoping to abandon himself to Christ and keep heaven open a little longer. And so should we, with our continued prayer, fasting and almsgiving. The Voice from on high tells us how: 'Listen to Him.'

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