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The Third Sunday of Lent (Year C) 23rd March 2025

Lent: A Time to Deepen Our Catholic Faith As Pilgrims of Hope during this Holy Year 2025, journey together as a Parish. Join us this Thurs (27th) for our final Lent session. Starting at 8:00 pm in the PNL Centre at St. Joseph's Church, we will watch Fr. Robert Barron's insightful film: World Without End: The Last Things – we will explore our belief that life here and now is preparation for an extraordinary world that is yet to come. Everyone is welcome, even if this is the first time, refreshments provided.

Eucharistic Adoration: To assist Lenten observances there will be Eucharistic Adoration 7-8pm in St Joseph's Church, Wednesdays. All welcome.

The Stations of the Cross during Lent represent events from Jesus' passion and death.

ST TERESA'S CHURCH Mondays after 10am Mass

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH After 10am Mass on Thursday

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH Fridays at 7pm.

All welcome to any of the above.

Men's Way of the Cross: On 11th April join fellow men on this 5-6 hour night walk of the Stations of the Cross on Beachy Head starting at 9pm at Lady of Ransom Church, Eastbourne: for details and to register see: <https://christthekingeastbourne.org/mens-way-of-the-cross/>

Yellow Bucket Collection. The parish donations to the food bank at St Matthew's Redhill are very welcome. <https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/how-can-i-help>

Book Club + Circle: Our next meeting is this Friday 28th March after the 10am Mass when we will be talking about Pope Francis' latest encyclical Dilexit Nos (He Loved Us) about the human and divine love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It's available free on the Holy See's website

Gift Aid 2024 - New numbered gift aid boxes are available to collect from the back of the churches this weekend. To know more about this scheme where tax can be claimed back to increase donations, email: pnlgiftaid@gmail.com

Get Together Group meet on Saturdays from 3pm in the PNL Centre at St Joseph's. All welcome.

The Big Lent Walk. Mary Barrett is joining the CAFOD 200km walk over the six weeks of Lent. She is raising funds for CAFOD and its work towards a better world for all. Mary's fundraising page is: <https://shorturl.at/wSzNP>

Congratulations to some of our Adults who attended the Rite of Election at Arundel Cathedral. We have 4 adults in the parish seeking to join the Catholic Church this Easter with over 200 adults seeking full communion across the whole Diocese - please keep them in your prayers this Lent

Holy Thursday – Washing of feet, this ancient imitation of Jesus washing his disciples' feet is a sign of serving those who were to serve others. If you offer some service in the parish and would like to volunteer your feet, or someone else's (ask them first), please contact the parish office.

Deanery Reconciliation Service - Bishop Richard is leading a Lenten Service of Reconciliation in each deanery, to mark the Church's Jubilee year of Hope. For our deanery this will take place at St Joseph's Church on Thurs 10th April starting at 6.30pm with several visiting priests to celebrate the individual Sacrament of Reconciliation.

New youth group – volunteers needed! There are a number of young people in our Parish who have asked us to set up a youth group, which is wonderful. However, we need some adults to help us run it – could that be you? Don't worry if you don't have any experience, full training will be provided, and you will be amongst a team of people who have lots of different skills – just bring the gifts that God has given you. For details contact the Parish office

Live Simply Award - Congratulations! Our parish has qualified for the Live Simply Award. On Wed, 12 March, the CAFOD assessor discussed with our Justice and Peace group and some parishioners how the parish has "lived simply, sustainably, and in solidarity" in the light of activities over the past two years. See: <https://cafod.org.uk/campaign/livesimply-award>. Thank you to all who have contributed towards this excellent outcome.

Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), the official agency of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales for domestic social action, is conducting a survey to gather insights into the lived experiences of Catholic families in England and Wales. Specifically, we are focused on understanding the impact of the two-child benefit cap and the broader effects of the current economic climate. The survey is available at csan.org.uk/news/familysurvey, and it will close on 25th March.

Our SVP groups are reaching out to those in any kind of need, please call 07918980330 and they will call back.

Jubilee Year pilgrimage to Walsingham, led by Bishop Richard, 6-8th June with people across our community of faith to mark the 60th anniversary of our diocese and Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year. For more details and to book: abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/ocoptzuu

Parish Maintenance - are you an electrician/plumber/tradesperson and could offer some time to join a group for small works occasionally - if so contact the parish office.

Diocesan weekly E-Bulletin newsletter which includes Bishop Richard's Weekly Reflection, and details of formation and events taking place across the Diocese and our wider Catholic community - See our Diocesan Website <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/> and subscribe

Collections

Offertory Collection last weekend: £1259.44

CAFOD Fast Day £465.25 (+ £110 via Cafod gadget)

Thank you for your support and generosity

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EAST SURREY HOSPITAL
The hospital will not inform the Catholic chaplain, Fr Alban (01293 431703), of your presence in the hospital unless a specific request is made by either yourself or your family for a visit. If you would like a visit from him please ask the hospital staff or contact him directly yourself. If you are going in hospital as a 'Planned Admission' you are encouraged to contact Fr Tony to receive the Sacrament of the Sick prior to your Hospital stay.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**

Andrew & Mary Wilson, Lucy Smales, Robert Shave, Ann Farley, Mary Hopkins, John McGrath, Alison Walker, Annie, Rosa Godlewski, Paul Edwards, Michael Wood, Angela Brett, Mark Dalton, Frankie Harding, Teresa Thorp, Francesco Ambrosio, Steven Biczók-Hardy, Tomasina Harman, Zosia, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Chris Bayley, Bridget Steward, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maria Dimaculangan, Marion & Barry Scholefield, , Damian Poole, Margaret Byrne, Sarah Healy, Sheilaine Barrientos, Kathleen Beckey, Richard Greaves, Claire Chantal, Meli Greaves, and all the sick & housebound of our parish

If you, or someone you know, is sick & housebound and would like to be on our prayer list or to receive Communion please contact the parish office.

The Third Sunday of Lent (year C)

Ex 3:1-8a;13-15; Ps 103; I Cor 10:1-6,10-12; Lk 13: 1-9

Response: The Lord is compassionate and gracious

Sat 22 Mar
St Joseph's 17.30 Marie Thurtle RIP

Sun 23 Mar
Holy Family 09.00 Gerardo Marciales
St Joseph's 11.00 The people of the parish
St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

Mon 24 Mar
St Teresa's 10.00 Sylvia Evans, & Evans & Staples Families RIP

Tue 25 Mar **The Annunciation of the Lord**
No Mass

Wed 26 Mar
St Joseph's 10.00 Tom Dowling RIP

Thur 27 Mar
Holy Family 10.00 Michel Peter Nicoll RIP

Fri 28 Mar
St Joseph's 10.00 In Thanksgiving

The Fourth Sunday of Lent (year C)

Jos 5:9a,10-12; Ps 43; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15: 1-3;11-32

Response: Taste and see that the Lord is good

Sat 29 Mar
St Joseph's 17.30 Michael & Elizabeth Ashe RIP

Sun 30 Mar
Holy Family 09.00 The people of the parish
St Joseph's 11.00 Pat Donachie RIP
St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Following the Saturday evening Mass,
and by appointment, please contact the parish office

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Mon	09.30	Morning Prayer	St Teresa's Church
Tues	19.00	Rosary Group	St Joseph's Church
Wed	10.30	Parents & Toddlers	PNL Centre at St Joseph's
Fri	09.00	Exposition before Mass	St Joseph's Church
Sat	15.00	Get Together Group	PNL Cafe at St Joseph's
Sun	10.00	Coffee after Mass	PNL Centre at Holy Family
Sun	12.00	Coffee after Mass	PNL Centre at St Joseph's

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Canon Oliver Heaney RIP his funeral will takes place at St Mary's, Preston Park at midday on Tuesday 25th March.

Rosaline Liberman RIP her funeral will take place at St Joseph's at 10.30am on Mon 31st March followed at the Sussex & Surrey Crematorium.

Malcolm Chelvanayagam RIP his funeral has not yet been arranged.

Filomena D'Andrea RIP her funeral has not yet been arranged.

Pauline Hepworth RIP her funeral has not yet been arranged.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers