



Parish of Holy Trinity, Worsley

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21 February 2021 – First Sunday of Lent

Greetings

Our Lenten season has begun and there's a gentle reminder from Pope Benedict that Lent is not just a period of fasting. He says, 'Lent is an opportunity to become Christian "anew" through a process of inner change and progress in the knowledge and love of Christ. Conversion is never once and for all but is a process, an interior journey through the whole of life'.

Thinking of journeys: I know it's early days but so far I've managed an average of 11,000 steps each day. I think I'm feeling better for it but it's lovely to be out in the fresh air around Wardley especially, praying with all those, parishioners, friends and family, who continue to pray for us from their new home.

Friday is **Cafod Family Fast Day** - *Walk for Water* – to help provide clean water in places like Ethiopia. We reach out to others – you can share your fast by donating on line at cafod.org.uk/give or by texting **LENT** to **70460** to donate £10

Outreach Thank you for your continuing support of the Food Bank – you continue to be very generous

This week

All our services are on Zoom; Maureen Hawes will give you the co-ordinates, if you have lost them, but please keep them to yourself for the sake of on-line security. Contact Maureen by email on MaureenHawes@live.co.uk

Saturday: (today)

12.00pm Mass on Zoom; 5.00pm Exposition on Zoom

Sunday:

11.00am Mass on Zoom; 3.00pm Rosary and Benediction on Zoom

Monday: Feast of the Chair of St Peter (celebrating the unity of the Church around the Bishop of Rome, the Pope)

6.00pm Mass on Zoom;

Tuesday:

5.00pm Exposition on Zoom; 6.00pm Mass on Zoom

Wednesday:

6.00pm Mass on Zoom;

Thursday:

12.00pm Mass on Zoom; 5.00pm Exposition on Zoom;

Friday: (CAFOD Lenten Fast Day – please go to cafod.org.uk/give to find out how to donate)

11.00am Funeral service for John Speakman at Wardley; 6.00pm Mass on Zoom; 7.30pm Stations of the Cross on Zoom

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There will be no 'quiet prayer' in church this week – but we will open as soon as we can be more sure of staying safe for everyone's sake. Please, please take the opportunity for vaccination as soon as it is offered.

Building Community

If you can, please print off this newsletter and deliver it safely to those who don't have access to email. Thank you to all who shared the Parish Forum meeting on Thursday – the questions which emerged will be sent out very soon

Finance and Admin.

Parish donations and Mass intentions can be posted through the door at CTK. Sponsorship cheques for my 10,000 steps per day are payable to either **Cafod or Alzheimer's Society** can also be posted there. 37 more days only – plenty of time.

Prayers please

For those who are sick especially Robert, Joanne, Carol, Evelyn, Lynn, Nieve, Lina, Audrey, Adela, Sylvia, Paddy, Maureen, P.J. and Anne; for John, Donna and June who died recently, and for Harry, Hannah, Joseph, Rene & Harry and all those whose anniversaries are at this time

In prayer, we remember all those on the '**frontline**' in any kind of way – Laura, Jenny, Carmel, Joseph, Lisa, Patrick, Chris, Catherine, Anne, Terry, Mark, Theo, Clare, Richard, Anthony, Jane, James, Andrew, Mary, Francis, Ruth, Tony, Sue, Dan, Fiona, Katy. Ian & Bethany - we are grateful for their courageous work. Let us keep all our teachers, pupils and parents in prayer too – let's hope that there might be a little more clarity soon particularly for those facing exams.

Masses received: Emily Louise Jones, Freda Jones, Harry Brooke, Donna Peyton, June Kenny, Hannah & Joseph Norton, Rene & Harry Bowler, Greg Norton, Phil Norton, Stewart Bowler

Safeguarding

For many months now we have been told to stay safe. Home should be place of safety but for some this is not the case. If you feel you are under domestic pressure or are concerned about someone who might be, the Diocesan Safeguarding Office is able to support you confidentially. More information is available from the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-Ordinator on 817 2206, Fr John or our Parish Safeguarding Representatives. Healing through Community Project also offers help. Their number is: 0161 236 2182.

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