



St. Bernadette's Tullibody Parish Newsletter

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3rd Sunday of Lent

12th March 2023

| Parish Diary | | | |
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| Sat | 11th March | 8.45am to 9.15am 9.30am 5.30pm | Confessions in Sacristy Morning Mass Vigil Mass |
| Sun | 12th March | 8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm | Morning Mass Morning Mass (Also on YouTube) Stations of the Cross |
| Mon | 13th March | 9.30am 10am | Morning Mass Meeting |
| Tues | 14th March | ~~ | No services |
| Wed | 15th March | 9.30am 6pm | Morning Mass Dunkeld Mission Group meeting on Zoom |
| Thurs | 16th March | 9.30am | Morning Mass |
| Fri | 17th March | 7pm | Evening Mass |
| Sat | 18th March | 8.45am to 9.15am 9.30am 5.30pm | Confessions in Sacristy Morning Mass Vigil Mass |
| Sun | 19th March SCIAF Sunday & Mothers Day | 8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm | Morning Mass Morning Mass (Also on YouTube) Stations of the Cross |

Parish Offerings ~ Week ending 05/03/23

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| Gift Aid | £226.50 | Non Gift Aid | £338.67 | Total | £725.23 |
| World Day of Prayer | | £160.06 | | | |



Please remember in your prayers



Those who are sick ~

Seamus Freyne (Father Mike's younger brother), Natalie Otalini, Jade Dicerbo, Stuart Mason, Sean McCann, Ruby Lloyd, Sid Davies, Nellie Gallon, Carly Mournian, Brendan Murphy, Vincent McDaid, Peter Douglas, Mary Gordon, Mary Hughes, Peter & Margaret Stark, Maureen McKay, Sarah Jane Connelly, Duncan McGregor, Maria McIntyre, John & Trisha Smith, Drs. Diane & Mike Basquill, Maurice Di Duca, Heather Stewart, Cathy McCallum, Archie Gallaway, Fr John Callaghan, Bishop Stephen, Cathy Fox, Jim McKay, & all those in Hospital & Nursing Homes.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time ~

Mel Latte, Alex Byrne, Fr. Colin Golden, Mary Galloway, Katherine Carberry, Kathleen Clarke, Annette Morgan, Madge Boyle, Jean Mitchell, Brigid Boyle and John Boyle.

A plea from Richard ~ When people are no longer sick, can I ask that people let me know, please? Just drop an email to me, thanks = rogrady@me.com



Kathleen Massanopoli is planning a "Plant Sale" in the Spring. So, she's asking parishioners to donate packets of flower seeds, not vegetable seeds. i.e. petunia, marigolds, busy lizzie, alyssum, lobelia, poppies or any kind of bedding plant. She plans to sow them in the next few weeks so they'll be ready to sell in the Spring. She needs about 40 packs of seeds. So, please bring your packs of seeds to the church and place in the box at the back of the church.




"Let us pray so that women, every woman, may be respected, protected and esteemed. Violence against women and mothers is violence against God himself, who from a woman, from a mother, took on our human condition."

Pope Francis @Pontifex 08/03/23



Holy Week & Easter 2023

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| Sat | 1st April | 5.30pm | Vigil Mass & Blessing of palms |
| Sun | 2nd April Palm Sunday | 8.30am 11.30am 5.30pm | Mass & Blessing of Palms Mass & Blessing of Palms Stations of the Cross by children of St. B Bernadettes |
| Mon | 3rd April | 9.30am 7pm | Morning Mass Penitential Service |
| Tues | 4th April | 7pm | Ecumenical Service @ St. Serfs |
| Thurs | 6th April Maundy Thursday | 8pm | Washing of feet, Institution of Eucharist & Priesthood  |
| | | | <i>Eucharistic Ministers will renew their commitment at Mass. Watch & Pray before the Blessed Sacrament immediately after Mass until 10.30pm</i> |
| Fri | 7th April Good Friday | 3pm | Proclamation of the Passion & Veneration of the Cross  |
| Sat | 8th April | 8pm | Easter Vigil Mass |
| Sun | 9th April Easter Sunday | 8.30am 11.30am | Morning Mass Morning Mass (Also on YouTube)  |

A message from Father Mike regarding Lent

Fasting and Abstinence

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully.

Fasting means **eating only one full meal**. Two other partial meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken; but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. Voluntary fasting on other weekdays of Lent is highly recommended.

The norms for church fasting normally apply to those between 18 and 59 years of age. Please note diabetics who for health reasons need to eat more frequently **MUST DO** so. This applies for any genuine health reason. Fasting is not a punishment!

Stations of the Cross

We will have Stations of the Cross during Lent at 5.30pm in the church. They will also be live on YouTube. Once again each week we will try and vary the kind of STATIONS with a special theme. Over the past few years we have managed to involve some youths in leading us in prayer and on Palm Sunday normally the children in the Primary School help us.

Lourdes Youth Fund

This year we are planning to send two young people to Lourdes with the Diocesan Pilgrimage. The price of this for each young person has spiralled to £1200 which is substantially more expensive than the last time we funded youth to travel. After the subsidy by the Diocese the cost to the Lourdes Fund is around £900.

However since Covid, due to the drop in participants, the fund has only been . ticking over and drawing in enough to pay out the monthly prizes but adding nothing to the fund itself.

If you previously had a number or numbers in the draw and they have lapsed or if you would like to join the Lourdes Fund please see Karen after 11.30am Mass on Sunday to pick a number/s.

Each number costs £1 per month with the draw taking place on the last Sunday of every month. First prize is **£100** and second prize is **£25.00**. Standing Order forms are available to pay monthly via your bank or you can pay by cash on the last Sunday of the month or whenever you see Karen McLaughlin at Mass.