

St Theresa's and Our Lady of Lourdes with St Anthony's

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February Devotion: The Holy Trinity <u>Masses and Intentions</u>

Saturday, 17th February, 1st Sunday of Lent, Yr. B 6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes – Private Intention (CT) Sunday, 18th February, 1st Sunday of Lent, Yr. B 8.30am, St Anthony's – Joan & Jack Goodwin RIP 9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes – People of the Parishes 11.00am, St. Theresa's – Thanking God for Overcoming the Challenges of 2023 and for Total Restoration in 2024 (Aimua Family)

Monday, 19th February, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes Lenten Weekday – November Memorial List Tuesday, 20th February, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes Lenten Weekday – The Sick & Housebound of Our Parishes

Wednesday, 21st February, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes

Lenten Weekday - Fr. Bede Prays for your good heart's desires.

Thursday, 22nd February, 11.00am, St. Theresa's Chair of St. Peter – John Concannon RIP (Anniversary) Friday, 23rd February, 10.00am, Our Lady of Lourdes Lenten Weekday – The Work of CAFOD

Saturday, 24th February, 2nd Sunday of Lent, Yr. B 6.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes – Grant Taylor RIP Sunday, 25th February, 2nd Sunday of Lent, Yr. B 8.30am, St Anthony's – SVP Beneficiaries 9.45am, Our Lady of Lourdes – Joyce Hannon RIP (Birthday)

11.00am, St. Theresa's - William Collins RIP

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Our Lady of Lourdes: The Holy

Souls in Purgatory

Sponsor: The Parish

St. Anthony's: Joan & Jack Goodwin

RIF

Sponsor: The Goodwin Family

St. Theresa's: Ann Harmston RIP

(Anniversary)

Sponsor: A & C Fitzpatrick

Devotions and Confessions

Rosary Please pray daily.

Divine Mercy & other devotions Please pray daily.

Confessions

Available after every weekday and Saturday Vigil Mass or by advanced booking.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 30 minutes before Weekday Mass

Anointing of the sick In cases of emergency only.

Sunday Readings:

1st Genesia 9:8-15. 2nd 1 Peter 3:18-22. Gospel Mark 1:12-15. Responsorial Psalm: (Ps.24:4-6,7b-9)

Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.

Please pray for all the elderly, the sick and the housebound of our three churches including those named below.

Rita O'Hara, Clare Roberts, Jennie Heenan, Caitlin Rose Goss, Beryl Stafford, Jean Grove, Liliana Poole, Jean White, Shirley Foster, Ellen Taylor, Sean Kilcoyne, Gerry O'Rourke, Avis Hurst, Christine Kelly, Gloria Andrews, Chena Drakesmith, Marj Hall, Melvin Hanlon, John Carroll, Joan Hill, Claire Lawson, Patricia Foster, Christopher Browne, Mr. Shannon, Margaret Betson, Paul Manning, Annabel Taylor, Philomena Walker, Lesley Osborne, Gail Hook, Josie Logan, Elizabeth Dodson, Gemma Thomas, David Dowling, Fr. David Stafford.

Please pray for the repose of the recently deceased souls & those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

BE DETERMINED AND DISCIPLINED!!!

It is Lenten season once again!!! Another wonderful opportunity granted us by God each year for soul searching and self-introspection. It is a moment of grace, a moment of salvation. It is a 40 days spiritual journey with our Lord Jesus Christ through which we fight against sin and bad habits and more so, prepare ourselves worthily to resurrect with Christ on Easter morning. It is a time we Christians make honest decisions and resolutions towards our spiritual lives. It is a time of sincere repentance and reconciliation with God and with our fellow human beings. So, it is not a time to criticize others, it is a time to criticize myself.

Lent is a time we fight against our vices and weaknesses and replace them with virtues. For one to succeed in this fight against vices, one has to be determined and disciplined because the devil will tempt you to give up or not to try at all. Jesus, in His 40 days in the wilderness was tempted but He never gave in to the temptation because He was determined and disciplined. We are expected to do the same.

On this first Sunday of Lent, Jesus calls us for repentance. He says, "repent and believe the Good News". Repentance simply means acknowledgement of sin, being sorry for the sin, confessing the sin, being determined and disciplined not to fall into sin again. In this Lenten season we humbly and sincerely pray to God:

"Forgive us all the wrong we do,
And purify each sinful soul.
What we have darkened, heal with light,
And what we have destroyed make whole".
I wish you a holy and fruitful Lenten season.
FR BEDE

CAFOD Family Fast Day (23rd February)
This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast
Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate
crisis and ensure that our Church network can
quickly respond to emergencies. Give today using
the envelope or at cafod.org.uk/give and please join
us in praying for CAFOD's development and
emergency response work all over the world.
Envelopes are available for your Family Fast Day
donation to CAFOD's Lent Appeal. Please
remember to return them next weekend.

Children's Liturgy will resume at OLOL next weekend (24th/24th February).

There will be a second collection after all Masses next weekend (24th/24th February) in support of the Diocesan Caring Service.

 $\begin{tabular}{llll} \underline{Weekend\ Cash\ Collections\ 10^{th}/11^{th}\ February.} \\ Our\ Lady\ of\ Lourdes. & £341.69\ (£248.06\ 3^{rd}/4^{th}) \\ St\ Anthony's. & £153.00\ (£141.10\ 3^{rd}/4^{th}) \\ St\ Theresa's & £331.54 \\ \hline & Thank\ you. \\ \end{tabular}$

Stations of the Cross During Lent Every Friday during Lent at OLOL at 7pm. Every Sunday during Lent after Sunday Mass at St. Theresa's and St. Anthony's. Please try and come along and make the Stations of the Cross part of your Lenten journey this year.

Cafod Christmas Card

Thank you to all who contributed to the parish Christmas card, leaving well wishes to all, and a donation for Cafod. As a parish we are now able to pay for a community toilet from the Cafod World Gifts, which will then be installed on our behalf. Unusual charity gifts: Terrific toilet - CAFOD World Gifts This idea came from a Parishioner at OLOL, and as a Parish Council we welcome ideas and suggestions from all parishioners. Please share your thoughts.

The 40 Days for Life Campaign offers an opportunity for prayer, fasting and public witness for Life. Its aim is to pray for a change of hearts and minds and to help pregnant women in difficult circumstances to know there are other options available and that help is available. If you interested, contact Rachel on 40dforlsheffield@gmail.com or tel. 07368 297872.

Ask your MP to support the abortion time limit reduction amendment.

Support an amendment to reduce our abortion time limit from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Research indicates that a significant number of babies born at 22 or 23 weeks can now survive outside the womb, leaving a contradiction in our abortion law. **Take action:** Collect a postcard today from the back of the church and post it to your MP urgently in support of this amendment!

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in our daily battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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If anyone would like to contribute to a collection for Fr. Henry to show our appreciation for looking after our Parishes so well in Fr. Bede's absence there will be a second collection after all Masses on the weekend of $2^{nd}/3^{rd}$ March.

Support for St Wilfrid's Centre
Tinned ham and sugar, also chocolate biscuits and crisps for light
lunches and snacks.
Thank you for your support.

St John Fisher School news: www.st-johnfisher.org

St Theresa's School news: www.st-theresas-sheffield.co.uk