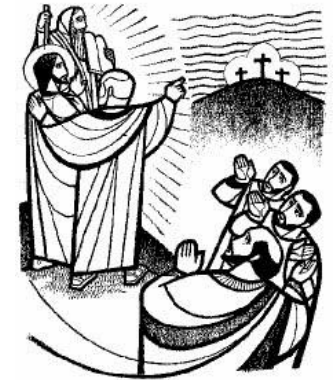


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8 March 2020

Sunday Readings: Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 2

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10.30am

Vigil Mass (Sat) 5.30pm

Sunday Mass 9.30am

The People of the Parish

Monday 9 March	No Mass	Weekday of Lent
Tuesday 10 March	6.00pm Mass	Weekday of Lent
Wednesday 11 March	12.00pm Mass	Weekday of Lent
Thursday 12 March	12.00pm Mass	Weekday of Lent
Friday 13 March	12.00pm Mass 6.00pm	Weekday of Lent Stations of the Cross
Saturday 14 March	10.00am Mass <i>followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 5.30pm Sung Vigil Mass of Sunday	Weekday of Lent
Sunday 15 March	9.30am Solemn Mass <i>followed by refreshments in the Hall</i>	

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Second Collection This Weekend: CAFOD Lent Fast Day Collection

First Reading: Genesis 12: 1-4

Abram, soon to be renamed Abraham, and his wife Sarah, were smart and prosperous but they had no children. God unexpectedly starts a new relationship with them.

Psalm (32) Response

**May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.**

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1: 8-10

Timothy was a young church leader suffering a crisis of confidence. He gets some encouragement from a senior apostle, who puts his problems in a larger context.

Gospel Acclamation No 185

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, Word of the Father, Son of God

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:

'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

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Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9

Early in their following of Jesus, a few disciples get a privileged revelation of who Jesus is and how he fulfil their tradition.

Please remember in your prayers

The Sick: Christopher Browl, Julia Wright, Pauline Feeney, John Hunt, Margaret Brown, Lindsay Price and Christopher and all in our hospitals and nursing homes and those who care for them.

Pope Francis March Prayer Intention: that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

Sundays of Lent: Days of Special prayer for Candidates for the Sacraments (those throughout the world who will be baptised at Easter)

Diocesan Prayer Link: Our Lady, Queen of Apostles, Cheddar with St Joseph & St Teresa, Wells

Christians in Corsham Prayer Link: The Anglican Parishes

NEWS & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Beginning next week - Preparing for Holy Week We gather for a series of 3 evenings in the hall to help us celebrate the Sacred Triduum (Three days) as a community with understanding and richness. Thursday 12 March 'Celebrating Holy Thursday'. 19 March 'Celebrating Good Friday'. Thursday 2 April 'Celebrating the Great Easter Vigil'. We will look at what we celebrate, its background and why and how we celebrate this wonderful season of our redemption. Do come along!

Bishop Barron's 'Catholicism' film series takes a break now until after Easter. Next film 23rd April - The Indispensable Men: Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure.

Reconciliation: Celebrating the Father's Mercy: Bishop Declan invites you to join him during this season of Lent to celebrate the abundant mercy of God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Trowbridge Deanery Celebration with Confessions is 7pm at St John's Trowbridge.

Ecumenical Lent Course A six week Course entitled 'Saying Yes to Life' continues on Thurs 5 March (tea/coffee from 10am) at St Patrick's. Each session is repeated on Mondays at St Aldhelm's at 7.30pm (tea/coffee from 7.15pm) See poster for details. There is a notice-board list for volunteers to help with refreshments on Thursdays - 2 for each session please.

Clifton Diocese Office Administrator Part-time (24 Hours per week worked over five days) This vacancy provides an opportunity to join the Curial team based in Alexander House, Bristol as an Office Administrator working within the Finance team. The role reports to the Diocesan Financial Administrator. The Finance team is a small but very busy team. Flexibility, attention to detail and excellent organisational skills are essential for this role. Salary and other benefits: circa £20,000 pa depending upon experience. 33 days holiday per annum including public holidays and a 5% matched contributory pension scheme. For full details of this vacancy and an application form visit: www.cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us For an informal discussion about this role please contact Janet Parker, Diocesan Financial Administrator, Clifton Diocese on 0117 902 5591. Closing date for receipt of applications: **Wednesday 11th March 2020**

Stations of the Cross Each Friday of Lent (beginning 6 March) there will be Stations of the Cross at 6pm in the Church. It gives us chance to make the journey of Jesus our own through these Lenten weeks.

Traidcraft Sale this weekend 7/8 March. Perhaps you might buy something for the food bank?

School Admission Appeals Panel Members The Department for Schools and Colleges are looking to recruit new panel members for School Admission Appeals. These take place during May, June and July. As a panel member you will receive regular training and can claim for travel expenses. If you would like to find out more about how appeals are conducted and what is involved, or to book onto the training please contact Jenny Fitzgerald on 0117 9025599.

Music Group next meets on Wednesday 11th March at 6.15pm. All welcome as we begin to prepare the music for Holy week and Easter.

Reminder for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Please remember to gel your hands before and after the distribution of Communion as requested by our Bishops. (Gel is available by the door) Thank you.

RUH If you or a loved one is going into the Royal United Hospital please let the RUH Chaplaincy know on 01225 428331 or email ruh.tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net If you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick before going into hospital please have a word with Fr Michael.

And finally...real bulletin bloopers to make you smile:

'The Pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning'.

'Ushers will eat latecomers'.

Please continue to remember Corsham Food-bank and Borderlands.