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Sexagesima Sunday

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Welcome to the Dome!

Please join us for refreshments and a chat after the 10.30am Mass.

All the refreshments are donated by parishioners.

During February we are collecting for Hope for the Hungry in Birkenhead. This charity provides a soup kitchen for the homeless four times a week.

Last Sunday, £33 was collected. Many thanks!

Sexagesima Sunday



The apostle or 'doctor' of the gentiles, St. Paul, features in a particular way in the sacred liturgy for this Sunday. Notice that he is referred to in the collect of the Mass: 'mercifully grant, that by the protection of the Doctor of the gentiles we may be defended against all adversities'. This is not as strange as it

may seem, because originally the Mass was celebrated in Rome in the basilica of St. Paul outside the Walls. What should become apparent to us, among other things, from Sunday to Sunday, is that the more we carefully read the passages selected by the Church from St. Paul's epistles in the Mass, the more one becomes conscious of the important role which Paul played in explaining the Faith, and in preaching the Gospel of Our Lord. Indeed St. Paul transmits, and explains, the good seed of the sower, Jesus Christ, who features in the Gospel chosen from St. Luke. What can we conclude from this? The Church wants us to consider carefully, as we prepare for Lent, how we may become better Christians and sowers of the good seed of the Catholic Faith in the circumstances of our lives. Let us take to heart the selections from Sacred Scripture in the sacred liturgy as food for our spiritual lives, especially as each day of the season of Lent has its own particular texts for the Mass. We can supplement this by reading the 'Introduction to the Devout Life' by St. Francis de Sales, which is available in our shop, ideal for Lenten reading. May the Holy Spirit, through the Church, guide our spiritual and 'liturgical' reading.

Fr. Gribbin

40 Hours Devotion

Sunday 3rd March 4pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Vespers 5.30pm & Benediction. Monday and Tuesday 10am – 7pm all day Adoration

The Forty Hours Devotion provides a wonderful opportunity for spiritual growth. In a world where temptation and evil abound, where devotion to the Mass and our Lord in the Holy Eucharist have declined, where the practice of penance and confession have been forgotten, we need the Forty Hours Devotion more than ever.

CATECHISM CLASS:

Approx. 20mins after 10.30am Mass.
Preparation for 1st Holy Communion
Every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month

Contact: chn.montjean@icrsp.org



Save the date! March for Life!
11th May 2019
London

EMBROIDERY & SEWING GROUP

Next meeting will be on **Saturday 2nd March 2-4 pm** in the Presbytery. Cost £10. For details contact Dorothy on 07767 752 671.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Theme of the Year: introduction to St Thomas Aquinas and the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. One Tuesday every month. Next talk: **Tuesday 26th March, at 6.30pm**. All welcome. Don't worry if you missed the other talks!

Family Fatima Days Saturday 9th March
Mass 12noon, BYO packed lunch, (drinks and snacks provided). Children's activities and short teaching.

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PIETY SHOP

Opening times: Fri 8.45-10am Sat 11-12 noon. Sun after both Masses.
New Mass books available £5



Cash donations to Foodbank. Ronnie buys the food / supplies that are in shortest supply! Thank you

GREGORIAN CHANT PRACTICE

Every Monday 7 to 7.30 pm (Canon Poucin will be teaching how to sing the chants authentically) Sunday from 10am in the Presbytery for the propers.

POLYPHONY CHOIR

Practices every Monday at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. New members are most welcome - please have a chat with Clare or Christian after Mass.

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY:

Collection: £287.75

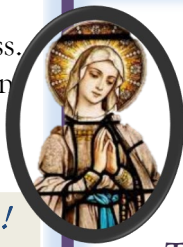
Heating: £79.82

Boxes: £81.02

Standing Orders £230.00

Total: £678.59

Thank you for your generosity!



Pilgrimage to Lourdes with ICKSP

Monday 29th April - Thursday 2nd May 2019

Presided over by His Eminence Cardinal Burke
Travelling on Mon. & Thurs from Manchester, joining the international pilgrimage of the ICKSP on 30th April & 1st May

Cost £ 450, all inclusive.

(flights, bus transfer & full board hotel*** close to the Shrines)
Information & booking: icksp.lourdes2019@gmail.com

SHRINE RESTORATION

Project Progress - *looking good!*

It has now been 1 year since the contractor finished the last project works. This was the defects liability period. During this time, the sodden walls have been drying out. The rooves have been checked and are all good but evaporating water inside the church has left crystallised salts on the newly painted plaster, which in certain places have deposited a white powder and brown marks. During this week the contractors have been making good any defects. *Anne Archer*

Community chat: a lovely morning was had by those attending our first meeting.

Next meeting is Wednesday March 13th 10am in the Presbytery. All welcome.



Please bring along your friends and neighbours and any old church photos you may have for us to produce a memory book. Thank you.

Friends of SsPPP: *Committee meeting report.*

We had a positive meeting on 20th Feb. Some useful suggestions for fund raising were discussed, including sponsored walks, car boot sales, 200 club and sponsoring garden bulbs, both as a fund raiser and as a means of beautifying the church grounds. We obviously need a lot of support for these to be successful. A letter inviting membership of the group will be sent out shortly to all those who expressed an interest on the recent survey. Copies will also be available at the back of church.

Next committee meeting: Wednesday 27th March 10am in the presbytery.

Second collection NEXT Sunday 3rd March for the heating of the church and presbytery. Thank you for your generosity.

Lenten food for Thought

Pope Benedict XVI On Fasting *From his Message for Lent 2009*

“We might ask ourselves what value and meaning there is for us Christians in depriving ourselves of something that in itself is good and useful for our bodily sustenance. The Sacred Scriptures and the entire Christian tradition teach that fasting is a great help to avoid sin and all that leads to it. For this reason, the history of salvation is replete with occasions that invite fasting. [...]

Since all of us are weighed down by sin and its consequences, fasting is proposed to us as an instrument to restore friendship with God.

[...] Jesus brings to light the profound motive for fasting, condemning the attitude of the Pharisees, who

scrupulously observed the prescriptions of the law, but whose hearts were far from God. True fasting, as the divine Master repeats elsewhere, is rather to do the will of the Heavenly Father, who “sees in secret, and will reward you” (Mt 6,18). ... The true fast is thus directed to eating the “true food,” which is to do the Father’s will (cf. Jn 4,34).

Fasting represents an important ascetical practice, a spiritual arm to do battle against every possible disordered attachment to ourselves. Freely chosen detachment from the pleasure of food and other material goods helps the disciple of Christ to control the appetites of nature,

weakened by original sin, whose negative effects impact the entire human person.

[...] **It is good to see how the ultimate goal of fasting is to help each one of us to make a complete gift of self to God.** May every family and Christian community use well this time of Lent, therefore, in order to cast aside all that distracts the spirit and grow in whatever nourishes the soul, moving it to love of God and neighbour. I am thinking especially of a greater commitment to prayer, *lectio divina*, recourse to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and active participation in the Eucharist, especially the Holy Sunday Mass.”



St. Francis De Sales From Sermon for Ash Wednesday, February 9, 1622

Concerning the spiritual fruits of fasting and the conditions which make fasting pleasing to God: fasting universally, that is, with all the senses and with the understanding, memory, and the appetites of the will, how completely the primitive Christians fasted, fasting through humility rather than through vanity, fasting through obedience rather than through self-will, following the community customs in fasting rather

than seeking to be singular, fasting only to please God and not for the esteem of men, and the evil of subjecting the commands of God and our superiors to our own human discretion. These first four days of the holy season of Lent serve as a preface to indicate the preparation that we ought to make in order to spend Lent well and to dispose ourselves to fast well.

St. Basil the Great

Fasting gives birth to prophets and strengthens the powerful; fasting makes lawgivers wise. Fasting is a good safeguard for the soul, a steadfast companion for the body, a weapon for the valiant, and a gymnasium for athletes. Fasting repels temptations, anoints unto piety; it is the comrade of watchfulness and the artificer of chastity. In war it fights bravely, in peace it teaches stillness.

