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Second Sunday in Lent

Pastoral Letter for Lent (excerpt)

A Church Ready for Converts



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My dear brothers and sisters,

As Lent begins, we see a growing number of men and women, many of them young adults, who are seeking faith and baptism. This stream of new converts is evident across our Diocese and country and indeed across the western world. It is all the more remarkable because this new generation of converts have been drawn to the Church by no special initiative on our part, rather by the constancy of faith, the reverence of worship and the authentic witness they have found. They may be statistically small in number compared with the overall decline of Christianity in our land, yet their search for Christ and His Church represents a moment of grace.

As Shrewsbury Diocese began its mission some 175 years ago, Saint John Henry Newman spoke of “a Church ready for converts.” Seeing so many today, often coming from no religious background to find the faith of the Church, I recalled these words of Cardinal Newman. We must now be ready to support new converts who are seeking Christ and His Church amid all the confusions of our time. At the beginning of Lent, the Scriptures remind us of the deceptions which have marked humanity’s struggle from the very dawn of history and of Christ’s victory over Satan in the wilderness (i). It is with Christ that we are to renounce the evil one who seeks to pervert all that is good and true (ii). It should not surprise us that, through the shadows of our time, many are coming in search of Christ, the truth of His teaching and all the means of grace He has entrusted to His Church in the Sacraments, and supremely in His Eucharist.

The journey of these new converts brings us back to the original purpose of Lent as the time when adults prepared for Baptism. The Church quickly recognised this time was needed by all the baptised as part of their continuing conversion...

+ Mark, Bishop of Shrewsbury.

Please read remainder of letter at https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/letters_item/lent-2026

✠ **Stations of the Cross:** The traditional Lenten devotion of the *Way of the Cross* will be every Friday at 5.30pm instead of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

✠ **First Thursday:** Prayer group for priests will meet Thursday in Hoylake at St Catherine’s Church 13.00-14.00. We will meet to catch up socially at 12.00 at Host Café, all welcome.

Announcements

✠ **Choir Practices:** on **Monday at 7.15pm.** **Gregorian Chant Rehearsals:** Every 2 weeks. **Next practice: to be determined.** **Polyphonic Choir Rehearsals:** Every 2 weeks. Please contact Clare Tucker: tuckerobertson@gmail.com or 01516 391 999/07714 710 275. **Upcoming practices: 2nd March and 9th March.**

✠ **Last Sunday Collection:** Loose Plate: £748.82 Boxes £173.93 Bank transfers: £ Shop £4 Heating: £321.04 **Total: £1243.79** NB: bags of small denominations of coins are now deposited only when full. Hence, collection figures are now round numbers. Thank you very much for your continued generosity! If you wish to donate via bank transfer, please use the following: Sort Code: 40-45-14 - Account number: 01805061 - For the credit of ICKSP / SSPPP.

✠ **Piety Shop:** The Piety Shop has many items for Lent including St. Francis de Sale's 'Sermons for Lent' and scapulars including St. Joseph's scapulars. If you would like something particular, please let us know and we will try and source it for you. **Come in and have a look!** All profits to the Dome.

Thank you, Sarah, Angela and Anne, The Piety Shop team.

✠ **Donations for refreshments after the 10.30 Mass:** In February we are collecting for the convent restoration project of our Sister Adorers in Preston. £23 was raised last week. Thank you.

✠ **Apiculae – Rosaries & Chaplets:** For beautiful handmade rosaries and chaplets, silver, copper, bronze & brass, see Elaine Gibbons. Commissions taken! Contact elaineapiculae@gmail.com or 01519 241 178.

✠ **Refreshment after 10.30 Mass:** We are always looking for new volunteers to help set up, serve and clear up after 10.30 Mass refreshments. If you think you could be on a rota every 2/3 weeks, please contact one of the refreshment volunteers!

✠ **Church Cleaning.** 11-12am every Saturday morning after Mass. Coffee and biscuits afterwards! Please contact Joyce at 07887 580 547 if you would like to join us. *Thank you to all who generously give their time to the upkeep of the church.*

Forthcoming events

✠ **Spiritual Conference – the Spiritual Fatherhood of Saint Joseph:** Canon Post will give a talk on our great patriarch on **Saturday, 14th March at 11am**, following the morning Mass.

✠ **Adult Catechism Class – “Angels and Demons”:** One Friday per month, all are welcome regardless of prior knowledge, both Catholics and non-Catholics. The next class will be held on **Friday, 20th March at 7.15pm**, following the evening Mass.

✠ **Adult Catechism Class – “The Catholic Moral Life”:** One Saturday per month, all are welcome regardless of prior knowledge, both Catholics and non-Catholics. The next lesson will follow the morning Mass at **11am on Saturday, 28th March.**

✠ **Catholic Spring Dance:** 6pm Saturday, 18th April at St Anthony's Church (L18 8BD). The Spring Dance will have food, wine, music and dancing with a Scottish Ceilidh Band. Please see flyers at the back of the church for more information or join our WhatsApp group: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DkXxNeUxBShEywEoFQcu30>

✠ **Craft Group:** knitting, patchwork, dressmaking, lace making and embroidery. Beginners welcome. Contact: Dorothy McCarthy 07767 752 671. **Next meeting, Saturday 7th March 11am – 1pm.**

✠ **For life matters and helplines:** see <https://lifecharity.org.uk>; for prolife helpline <https://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk> and for abortion recovery see <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk>

✠ **Liverpool 40 Days for Life:** Prayer vigil from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday, every day from 6am until 9pm. Contact Gabrielle on 07766 975 950 or email Liverpool40daysforlife@gmail.com.

✠ **Donation point:** From last October, a new “Card donation point” has been displayed. You can also make donations to Ss PPP church by scanning the following QR Code on your phone. Thank you for your support!



Prayers for the Sick: Please keep in your prayers Imelda, Lottie, Michael, Roisin, Dermot, Eamonn, Sandra, Anne, Patricia, Vera, Lesley, Chris, Andrew, Madeleine, Sarah, John, Kathleen, Olivia, Lynne, Angela, Helen, Stuart, Jacqueline, Lindsey, Edward, Tracy, Mary, Peter Joseph, Janet, Elizabeth, Michael, Donna and Gabriella.

Ordo	Mass	Mass intentions		Devotions	Confessions
		Canon Montjean	Canon Post		
Offer a Mass for your intentions using the Mass Offering envelope (narthex). Write name (living or deceased) or intention. Enclose donation. Place envelope in collection box or give to a Canon. The earliest available date for a Mass at the moment is: 9 th July.				Confessions can also be arranged privately by texting a Canon (see front page)	
Sunday 1 st March 2 nd Sunday in Lent Violet	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Daniel Wilkinson Michael Hulme	4.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Rosary & Benediction	9.40am-10.15am
Monday 2 nd March Lenten feria Violet	6.30 pm Low Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Jim Kenndy RIP Charles Buckley RIP	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Tuesday 3 rd March Lenten feria Violet	6.30 pm Low Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Elaine Buckley RIP	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Wednesday 4 th March Lenten feria (St. Casimir) Violet	6.30 pm Low Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Angela Buckley	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Thursday 5 th March Votive Mass of Jesus Christ Sovereign Priest White	6.30 pm Low Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Carol Wilkinson	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Friday 6 th March Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart White	6.30 pm Low Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Barbara and Len Fryer	5.30pm Stations of the Cross	No Confessions
Saturday 7 th March St. Thomas Aquinas – Patron of the Institute White	10am Low Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Brian St Clare RIP Private Intention	9am Adoration 9.40am Benediction	9.00am-9.30am
Sunday 8 th March 3 rd Sunday in Lent Violet	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Gregorian Masses Allington	Tom Riddiough Father Bernard Forshaw	4.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Rosary & Benediction	9.40am-10.15am

Excerpt from Canon Law: Confession & the Easter Precept

1456 Confession to a priest is an essential part of the sacrament of Penance: "All mortal sins of which penitents after a diligent self-examination are conscious must be recounted by them in confession, even if they are most secret and have been committed against the last two precepts of the Decalogue; for these sins sometimes wound the soul more grievously and are more dangerous than those which are committed openly."

When Christ's faithful strive to confess all the sins that they can remember, they undoubtedly place all of them before the divine mercy for pardon. But those who fail to do so and knowingly withhold some, place nothing before the divine goodness for remission through the mediation of the priest, "for if the sick person is too ashamed to show his wound to the doctor, the medicine cannot heal what it does not know."⁵⁵

1457 According to the Church's command, "after having attained the age of discretion, each of the faithful is bound by an obligation faithfully to confess serious sins at least once a year."⁵⁶ Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion, even if he experiences deep contrition, without having first received sacramental absolution, unless he has a grave reason for receiving Communion and there is no possibility of going to confession.⁵⁷ Children must go to the sacrament of Penance before receiving Holy Communion for the first time.⁵⁸

Can. 920 §1. After being initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, each of the faithful is obliged to receive holy communion at least once a year.

§2. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at another time during the year.

PROPERs of the MASS – 2nd SUNDAY IN LENT

INTROIT *Psalm 24. 6, 3, 22*

Remember, O Lord, Thy bowels of com passion, and Thy mercies that are from the beginning of the world, lest at any time our enemies rule over us: deliver us, O God of Israel, from all our tribulations. Ps. To Thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in Thee, O my God, I put my trust; let me not be ashamed V. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT O God, who seest that we have no power whatever from ourselves; keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts which may hurt the soul. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE *1 Thessalonians 4. 1-7*

Brethren: We pray and beseech you in the Lord Jesus that, as you have received from us, now you ought to walk and to please God, so also you would walk, that you may abound the more. For you know what precepts I have given to you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from fornication, that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the passion of lust, like the Gentiles that know not God: and that no man overreach nor circumvent his brother in business: be cause the Lord is the avenger of all these things, as we have told you before and have testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto sanctification: in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRADUAL *Psalm 24. 17-18*

The troubles of my heart are multiplied: deliver me from my necessities, O Lord. V. See my abjection and my labour, and for give me all my sins.

TRACT *Psalm 105. 1-4*

Give glory to the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth for ever. V. Who shall declare the powers of the Lord: who. shall set forth all His praises?

V. Blessed are they that keep judgment and do justice at all times. V. Remember us, O Lord, in the favour of Thy people: visit us with Thy salvation.

GOSPEL *Matthew 17. 1-9*

At that time Jesus took Peter and James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart: and He was transfigured before them. And his face did shine as the sun: and His garments became white as snow. And behold there appeared to them Moses and Elias talking with Him. And Peter answering, said to Jesus: Lord, it is good for us to be here: if Thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles, one for Thee, and one for Moses,

Mass setting: Kyriale XVII (p. 81) Credo I

Polyphony: Ave Verum

Recessional Hymn: My God how wonderful (357)

and one for Elias. And as he was yet speaking, behold a bright cloud overshadowed them. And lo, a voice out of the cloud, saying:

This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased: hear ye Him. And the disciples hearing, fell upon their face and were very much afraid.

And Jesus came and touched them, and said to them: Arise, and fear not. And they lifting up their eyes saw no one, but only Jesus. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying: Tell the vision to no man till the Son of Man be risen from the dead.

SECRET Peacefully look down, we beseech Thee, O Lord, upon these sacrifices, that they may both increase our devotion and contribute to our salvation. Through our Lord.

PREFACE FOR LENT It is truly meet and just, right and availing unto salvation, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty and everlasting God. Who by the fasting of the body dost curb our vices, elevate our minds and be stow virtue and reward; through Christ our Lord. Through whom the angels praise Thy majesty, the dominions worship it, and the powers stand in awe. The heavens and the heavenly hosts, with the blessed seraphim join together in celebrating their joy. With these we pray Thee join our voices also, while we say with lowly praise.

COMMUNION *Psalm 5. 2-4*

Understand my cry: hearken to the voice of my prayer, O my King and my God: for to Thee will I pray, O Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION

We humbly beseech Thee, almighty God, that we whom Thou hast strengthened with Thy sacraments, may henceforth serve and please Thee in worthiness of life. Through our Lord.