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Sunday 26th February	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 10.00 am: Mass
Monday 27th February	of Lent No Mass
Tuesday 28th February	of Lent 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Wednesday 1st March	ST DAVID, PATRON OF WALES 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Thursday 2nd March	of Lent 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Friday 3rd March	of Lent Lent Fast Day Women's World Day of Prayer 8.30 am: Adoration 9.30 am: Mass
Saturday 4th March	of Lent 9.00 am: Rosary 9.30 am: Mass
Sunday 5th March	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 10.00 am: Mass

Dear friends in Christ,

to quote the Apostle Peter, "Lord, it is good to be here". I am delighted to be among you as your parish priest. Thank you for the warm welcome that you have given me and for your tremendous support.

I will do all that I possibly can to ensure that St Anthony and Our Lady of Mercy's parish continues to flourish, and to offer the necessary pastoral and spiritual support for everyone concerned.

Once again, I humbly ask for your prayers and support - after all this is **our** parish.

With prayers and blessings for you and your families,

Fr. Joseph Pinakkattu

Notices

Mass Intentions for Sundays in Lent

Each Sunday in Lent we are asked to pray especially for all the Catechumens, those preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil; and for the Candidates who will be received into the Catholic Church at Easter.

Lent Family Fast Day

This Lent, CAFOD is supporting families with the skills and tools that they have asked us for, to fight the climate crisis. In Bangladesh, 14-year-old Dristy and her mum Rupali are building seed beds and planting palm trees to protect their crops from flooding and cyclones. Please give to help families grow in strength to adapt to the climate crisis. You can use your envelope and return it next week for the Retiring Collection, we will keep the Collection open for a few weeks. You can also give online at cafod.org.uk/lent

CAFOD Lent Prayer

Plant in us, Lord,
seeds of solidarity,
so that, rejoicing in your gifts,
we may cherish your presence
in each other and all creation.

Root us, Lord,
compassion and justice.
Pour your Spirit down like gentle rain
softening our hearts.
washing away division and selfishness.

Cultivate in us, Lord,
attentiveness to your call.
Give us hope to dream of a better world
and strength to play our part
to make it a reality.

Grow in us, Lord,
your ways of peace and courage,
so that, in this time of Lent,
we may bear witness to your love,
revealed to us in Jesus.

Amen.

Hull Ladies Choir

There will be an Evening of Music and Song on Friday 21st April at 7.00 pm, (doors open at 6.30 pm), at Trinity Methodist Church, 247 Newland Avenue, HU5 2EJ. Guests will be Stoke Male Voice Choir.

Tickets: £5, children under 12: free are available from Jean Campbell tel: 865698. www.hullladieschoir.co.uk for further information.

SVP Coffee Mornings

Members of the St Charles SVP Conference are hosting a Coffee Morning every Friday from 10.30 am until 12 noon in the Kingston Theatre Hotel, Kingston Square, Hull, (just round the corner from St Charles Borromeo Church). There is no charge. Just come along and enjoy a drink and a chat in a warm space. Afterwards, if you wish, you can go to the 12 o'clock Mass in St Charles. *Everyone*

CAFOD Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal

CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors and has made an initial allocation of £100,000. Your donations in recent months have made that quick response possible. Let us join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>.

CDSC Middlesbrough

In 2017 Pope Francis appointed four people to create a single service for Catholic Charismatic Renewal throughout the Church, and entrusted it with a threefold mission :

- to share baptism in the Holy Spirit with everyone
- to serve the unity of the Body of Christ
- to serve the poor and those in greatest need, physical or spiritual.

As a result of this mandate, each country established a National Service, and the 'Charismatic Diocesan Service of Communion for the Middlesbrough Diocese' was formed. 11 people met in November with Sharon Daniel, Interim Coordinator, who sent details of the following two events.

Joel's Bar

A Catholic Charismatic retreat for young adults aged 16 - 28; giving them an opportunity to encounter Christ, live in the power of the Holy Spirit and build community. Joel's Bar is held at Worth Abbey, West Sussex, from Sunday 9th to Friday 14th April. For more information please visit: <https://www.joelsbar.co.uk> or contact info@joelsbar.co.uk

Healing Mass - Tuesday 7th March

In the chapel at the Bar Convent, Blossom Street in York at 11.45 am.

Hospital Chaplain

If you, or someone you know, is in hospital and would like a visit from the Chaplain, please contact Deacon Bob directly on 470456.

Next World Youth Day

In August 2023, the Pope will meet young people in Lisbon for the next World Youth Day. It is hoped that a group from the Diocese will travel with Bishop Terry from 31st July - 7th August to join in this wonderful event. If anyone, aged 18 - 35 by August 2023, would like to go to Lisbon, please contact Fr Philip Cunnah to register your interest by email at: frphilip.cunnah@rcdmidd.org.uk, and to receive further details.

Prayer for those in Turkey and Syria affected by earthquakes

God of Mercy,
we pray for the people of Turkey and Syria
following the recent earthquakes.
We mourn the death and destruction,
and pray for those who have died and those who grieve.
Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.

We hold in our hearts those who are injured,
and those who have lost loved ones, livelihoods and homes.
Sustain and guide all responding to this disaster.
Grant those affected courage and resilience
as they rebuild their lives and communities.
Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.
Inspire us to unite in solidarity,
acting swiftly and generously,
so that help may reach all who need it.
Lord, bring them comfort, strength and renewed hope.
Amen.

Prayer for those affected by the Pakistan Floods

O Lord, in the goodness of your constant love,
be with the people of Pakistan
as they face devastating floods.

At this time of great loss –
loss of lives, homes and crops –
may we be filled with your compassion
and moved to reach out in love.

As we stand alongside our sisters and brothers, we pray that
they may find consolation in their sorrow,
strength as they seek shelter and safety
and courage to carry on.

Forgive us, O Lord,
for our part in the climate crisis,
and inspire us all to play our part
in protecting the earth, our common home.

So that together we may build a world
that reflects your glory,
where hope drives out despair
and all things are made new.

Prayer for Ukraine

(Bishop Kenneth Nowakowski of the Ukrainian Catholic Church)

God of peace,
your prophet Isaiah promised swords
would be turned into ploughshares,
and your Son's mother Mary
proclaimed the mighty would be put down
and the humble exalted.

Visit the people of Ukraine:
deliver them from fear, violence, attack,
injury, destruction and death;
and give them courage, solidarity,
and allies in their hour of vulnerability and sorrow.

Turn the hearts of those bent on war and invasion.
Strengthen the hand of all seeking to halt conflict,
restore order, and pursue justice.

And make this moment of peril an occasion
for your Holy Spirit to show your world the cost of conflict,
and our dependence on one another.

In Christ our Lord who went to his death
because of our hatred,
and rose again
because our hatred is never stronger
than your indomitable love.

Amen.

Prayer sent by Missio