



CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LONGDENDALE



PARISH NEWSLETTER

LENT I (a)
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*Prompt our actions
with your inspiration,
we pray, O Lord,
and further them
with your constant help,
that all we do
may always begin from you
and by you
be brought to completion.*

*Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Begone Satan!

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DATE	MASS	OTHER
Sun 26th	LENT I 9.15 (BB) DCA 11am (HAD) for the parish	
Mon 27th	Lent feria 9.30 (HAD) DCA	
Tues 28th	Lent feria 9.30 (HAD) C&M Moloney	
Weds 1st Mar	St David patron of Wales 9.30 (HAD) DCA <i>f/by Weds Group mtg</i>	
Thurs 2nd	Lent feria 9.30 (HAD) Mary Matthews RIP (fam) <i>(Sycamore 7pm, oratory)</i>	
Fri 3rd	Lent feria <i>FIRST FRIDAY VISITS TODAY DV</i> 9.30 (HAD) DCA	<i>Stations (HAD) 3pm</i>
Sat 4th	Lent feria 9.30 (HAD) T&A Chambers RIP (MG)	
Sun 5th	LENT II 9.15 (BB) for the parish 11am (HAD) DCA	

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT (A)

Psalter Week 1

Introduction: Jesus, the new Adam, overcomes temptation to win us our freedom.

First Reading : Gen 2 : The Creation and the Fall; sin enters the world

Resp.Ps. HAVE MERCY ON US O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

Second Reading : Rom 5 : God` s grace is made perfect in forgiving us.

Gospel : Mt 4 : After Jesus` forty days of fasting and prayer, the tempter comes to torment him.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND and ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Please remember to support and pray for those listed as sick and housebound in our parish: Peter James, Pauline Anderson, Isabella Phillips, Joe Singleton, Joan Killeen, Una Wilkinson, Dennis Brady, Christine Wild, David Healey, Jacob Ibbotson, Alice Canning, Beatrice Eaton.

Please recall in prayer our deceased priests and parishioners whose anniversaries occur about this time: Revv Herbert Bowker, Bishop Restieux, Leo Arendzen, William O'Dowd, Adrian Chatterton; *Josie Couban, Theresa Dewhirst, Dominic Kiely, Dorothy Yarwood, Janie Wain, Freda Winterbottom, Jean Ambrey, Carol Hall, Irene Winston: Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them: may they rest in peace. Amen*

PARISH NOTES

THIS SUNDAY we celebrate the first Sunday in Lent. The **Gospel** describes the Lord's forty days and nights of fasting followed by temptations. It has been chosen as a reading for this first Sunday of Lent for our edification and encouragement. Lent is a period of preparation for the central Christian events of Holy Week and the Triduum. Christ, the Son of God in human nature, died the excruciating death of crucifixion on Good Friday, because of the sins of humanity. By this supreme act of obedience to his heavenly Father he made atonement for all our disobediences and set us free from the slavery of Satan and of sin. Christ had no sin to atone for; it was for our sins that he mortified himself. We all have much to atone for. Lent gives us chance to reflect on and repair our weaknesses.

BISHOP PATRICK has sent a Pastoral Letter on the Eucharist, to be read at all Masses this weekend.

THIS SUNDAY We hold in prayer those presenting before the Bishop this Sunday afternoon at the Rite of Election in the Cathedral preparing to join the church at the Easter vigil.

SAINT OF THE WEEK St David (520 - 589) The earliest life of St David dates from five centuries after his death, probably in 589. He became eminent as abbot and bishop at the site now known as St David's, but formerly Mynyw, from which the present diocese of Menevia is named. He is credited with a monastic rule based on the example of the Eastern Fathers, and also with a Penitentiary. He was invited to preside at the synod of Llandewibrefi. Monks trained at his monastery evangelized South Wales and made foundations in Cornwall, Brittany and Ireland. St David is said to have sent a Mass rite to Ireland. At his death his contemporary St Kentigern, founder of St Asaph's in North Wales, witnessed in vision his joyful entrance into the joy of his Lord. His holy relics have been found hidden in the fabric of St David's Cathedral, where they are carefully preserved. He was canonized by Pope Callistus II in 1123.

CAFOD envelopes are available for you to take home from the back of church. Next Friday 3rd is **Lenten Family Fast day**. Please bring your filled envelopes to church next weekend. One of the principal religious Lenten duties is almsgiving.

Friday is also dedicated as a **Day of Special Prayer for the Needy and Hungry** of the world—which coincides with what used to be called Women's World Day of Prayer.

This Lent, CAFOD is supporting families with the skills and tools they've asked 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. Give today to help families grow in strength to adapt to the climate crisis. Use the envelope or give online at cafod.org.uk/lent.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE Pray for **Mary Bridget Eardley** (Glossop) who died on the

8th February 2023 aged 88 years. Her funeral rites are indicated for Dukinfield crematorium at 1.30 on Monday 27th. May she enjoy eternal repose, and her family be comforted.

THE WEDNESDAY GROUP meets after Mass on 1st March. We are looking forward to hearing from parishioner Tom Travis talking about the Life of PG Wodehouse.

FIRST FRIDAY VISITS are scheduled for 3rd March. Any housebound parishioner is welcome to request a visit from your priest, with the Blessed Sacrament.

LENT LIST : PRAYER

1. Try to start and end the day with a perfect Sign of the Cross, the first prayer of Catholic Christians;
2. Try to pray the grace before and after meals devoutly and regularly;
3. Try to pray the 'sign-language' prayers more attentively: Bow your head at the name of Jesus; genuflect or bow as best you can when coming to church; beat your breast with sorrow at the Confiteor; make the pre-Holy Communion mark of respect more deliberate; bow your head in the middle of the creed.
4. When stuck fuming in traffic, why not slow down with the Rosary? When you take note of an approaching emergency vehicle, pray for those for whom the siren sounds, or for whom the blue light flashes;
5. Try to make the Stations of the Cross - whether in church or elsewhere – at least weekly;
6. Try to attend a weekday Mass when possible.
7. Why not come to Mass five minutes earlier to allow time to 'arrive' into the divine presence;
8. To use devotional booklets to help the Lenten journey, especially by following the daily Mass-readings.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS are journeyed on Friday afternoons at 3pm at St Charles. If you would welcome the chance to lead this devotion, according to your own preferred setting, please ask. I hope you will find chance to join in the footsteps of our Divine Lord journeying cross-laden to Calvary.

MONSIGNOR MOORE has once again kindly agreed to come and hear Lenten confessions in the oratory on Sats 25th March and 1st April.

COLLECTION BOXES IN CHURCH you can find at the back of church various boxes and containers for foodstuffs and other goods. These goods will go to our local food banks for distribution via the local church communities. You will see a list of needed goods in recent newsletters.

THE SYCAMORE COURSE continues this week on Thursday 2nd Mar at 7pm in the oratory.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT runs from 27th Feb to 12th March. You are invited to a Fairtrade tea-time from 2pm next Tuesday 28th at All Saints parish church in Old Glossop.

LOLA has messaged to say that the Easter greetings cards have arrived and are available from the repository.

RECENT TOTE WINNERS St Charles; £40 : J Killeen; £20 : N Garlick. Immaculate Conception : £40 - Bob McKeown; £20 : B & J Eaton. Thanks to all who support our totes.

STANDING ORDERS: Immaculate Conception : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "St Margaret's church/collection" 00510567 ;

St Charles : Sort Code 30-13-32 A/c "Charles church/collection" 00269177.

PLANNED-GIVING ENVELOPES are being prepared. We have a list of present users. Please let us know if you have switched, for example, to standing-order, then we will disregard your box.