

LENT IS HERE

If you have not already done so, NOW is the time to decide what you will do this Lent. As a parish, we can also support each other in many ways, including the following:

At all our weekend Masses to help keep a Lenten focus, we will be singing simple parts for the Mass, saying the Apostles Creed and using a specific Eucharistic Prayer for Lent. Please take a Lent Mass booklet which will help with this.

And if you have not already done so, please take a Lent & Holy Week Calendar.

Lent events: Listed each week in this newsletter to support us in our Lenten journey including:

Mass: Celebrated every day.

Holy Hours: Will take place several times a week giving more opportunities for prayer in Church.

Adoration: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, ending with simple Benediction.

Stations of the Cross: Journey with Jesus praying this traditional Lenten devotion.

Lenten Weekends: This Sunday there is a Holy Hour with Solemn Benediction and in future weeks there will be opportunities for Adoration and to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession.

Confession: The Sacrament of forgiveness and healing. There will be specific periods of time in all our Churches across Lent and Confessions are also heard before our Masses.

Thursday's at 7pm Lent On-Line: Each week a different speaker from the diocese will reflect on signs of hope in this jubilee year. For the zoom link, please email Fr Paul.

Friday 14th March CAFOD Lent Fast Day: An opportunity for us to engage in all three of the 'Great Lenten Works' of prayer, fasting and almsgiving! Envelopes will be available this weekend and can then be returned the following weekend. There are also details on the envelope to give by other means.

Saturday 15th March at St Rita's Centre Honiton. Lent Retreat: Led by Fr Ignatius Raj. Cost £25 including lunch. Contact St Rita's for more information and/or to book a place.

OTHER PARISH INFORMATION

Thursday 13th March 1.45pm Penzance Church Hall. Bingo: Eyes down...Everyone Welcome.

The end of an era: Christine will be retiring from her work in the office this Easter after 29 years! We wish her every blessing for the future and grateful thanks for her dedicated service for us all.

An Easter Gift: Hand crafted Easter chicks, clergy, rabbits etc. orders are now being taken. Also, donations of cream eggs gratefully accepted.

OTHER EVENTS AND INFORMATION

Saturday 15th March at Buckfast Abbey. Study Day on the Book of Revelation: Led by Fr Nicholas King SJ. Booking is essential by contacting plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk / 01752 701660.

Diocesan News: The March edition of the Diocesan Newsletter is now available on the website. And as announced last Week, Bishop Philip Moger has stepped down as Bishop-Elect of our Diocese. Please keep all involved in your prayers, including our Diocesan Administrator, Canon Paul Cummins.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS ...

Pope Francis' Prayer intention for March 2025. For families in crisis: That broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

All who are sick and housebound including: Ray & Christine Blaker, Tom Dauncey Jnr, Jackie Corsi, Sue Rowies, Hugo, Caroline Schofield, Grace Bailey, Fr. Richard Finn O.P, John Chamberlain, Sheila Devey, Basil & Helen Perry, Poppy, Barbara Hanik, Patricia Martin, Noah, Frank Meszaros, Elliot Smith, Daniel Williams, Lucy James, Patrick Ansell, Barbara Maseyk, Eleanor Greaves, Eileen Woolmington, Louis Carter, Patrick O'Dwyer, Joyce Sanderson, Molly Salter, Francis Malone-Lee, Ian Tomlinson, Pat Crellin, Molly McFadden, Michael Greene, Maria Hall, Pat McWilliams, Phil, Jean Ward, Mick Hanley, Rolfe Wilson, Pam Szlichta Maria Dunne, Theresa McDougall, Ann Booth, Glynis Bailey, Betty King, Margaret Bourne, Richard Keats, Audrey Evans.

We also pray for all the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries are at this time.