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Parish in the care of the Fathers and
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**SECOND SUNDAY OF
LENT**

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**16th March –24th
March 2019**

**Welcome to this House
of God:**

**Talk to God before Mass
Listen to God during Mass
Talk to others after Mass**

**Today's Mass
Readings**

Genesis 15:5-12,

17-18; Ps 26;

Philippians

3:17 –4:1

Luke 9:28-36

AS HE PRAYED, HIS FACE CHANGED AND HIS CLOTHES BECAME BRILLIANT WHITE

At the Transfiguration, God the Father supports Jesus and his mission. It is a wonderful spiritual experience for Jesus, shared by his three close friends. They are treated to an overwhelming vision of Jesus. We may have similar moments of enlightenment when our earthly mission seems clear and God appears to be pleased with us. Some high spots may be marriage, the birth of our children, priestly ordination, religious profession or a decision to give oneself to the Lord or simply a change of job or ministry. This may give us a feeling of peace. However, some turbulence usually follows. Then it is through the trust in God's goodness that we are strengthened to withstand the crucifixions in our lives.

'Lord, when our faith is weak and we hardly know where to turn, help us to revisit our moments of light, may we look the storm in the eye and yet be full of hope, trusting in your power and celebrating the warmth of your love'.

DEACON TERRY

HAPPY RETIREMENT– A BIG THANK YOU

After 32 years of loyal and valued service as Parish Secretary, Angela Richards has decided to retire. However, as we do not wish to lose her altogether, she has kindly agreed to work as a volunteer on Monday mornings. We are all very grateful for everything she has done for the Parish over the years and we wish her a very happy retirement. We will be organising a celebration for her in due course. Fr Vincent Arulandhu SCJ.

S.V.P

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 27th March at 7:30pm in the Parish office. George from Walsall and Clare from Birmingham will be joining us to help us set up the group. If anyone else wishes to join the S.V.P please come along. Fr Vincent Arulandhu SCJ.

**SACRED HEART
COMMUNITY**

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Safeguarding Officer

Bernadette Cook

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Ossie Bishop, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Anne Galvin, Teresa Goddard, Arthur Harding, Maurice Hughes, Stephen Hurley, Bryn and Bridie Howells, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Anna Kennedy, Harold Johnson, Linda Lowe, Sandra Pearson, Anne Jennings, Kevin O'Neill, Grace Elizabeth Sharron, Joan Evelyn Rawlings, Sheila Shearon.

RECENT DEAD & ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember in your prayers Donna Marie Broadbent, and all those who have died recently.

We also remember Francis Murphy, Gwen Collins, Joaquin Centurion, Gabriel Stuart Collett, Noel Donaghy, Jeanette Hawkes, Kathleen Aherne, Helena Taylor, Anthony Hurley, Margaret Scattergood, Patrick Campbell, Raymond William Pearson, Grace Quinn, Francis Tibbits, Annie Woods, Mary Odgaard, John Osborne, Jennifer Carthy, Ronald Hopkins, Margaret Tabor and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Funeral Service for Donna Marie Broadbent is on Wednesday 3rd April at 11:00am followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 12:15pm.

CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT PROGRAMME

The theme this year is "who are we in Christ?". The churches meet this week on Wednesday 20th March at 1.30pm and 7.30pm at Perry Hall Methodist church. Everyone is welcome. Next week, the Churches meet on Wednesday 27th March at Holy Name.

LADIES SPIRITUAL SPA

This is an opportunity for the ladies to get together in a relaxed atmosphere to share food, faith and prayer as part of our Lenten Journey. We will meet after the 12.30pm Mass on 30th March, starting with a shared table to which everyone contributes. We finish about 4.00pm. For more information please ask Bridget Green, Sr Angelina or Theresa Hayward. We look forward to seeing you there.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

You are warmly invited to our Senior Citizens party to be held in the Parish Centre on Sunday 14th April 2019. Please take the letter with you from the Church Porch after Mass and fill in the pro-forma below and return to the Parish Office by March 31st 2019.

This Week 16th March– 24th March (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 16th March Lent Feria	10:00am Ints of Rita 10:30am - 12pm Confessions 12:30pm Joe McNamara RIP	
Sunday 17th March SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT Retiring Collection for CAFOD	8:30am Ints of Denise Santy 10:30am Ray Pearson RIP 4:30pm Stations of the Cross Led by Journey in Faith group	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass. Folk Group (Margaret Brennan) 8.00pm-9:30pm Bingo in the Parish Centre.
Monday 18th March Lent Feria	11:00am Divine Mercy 11:30am Ints of Wojjek Obremski	7:30pm Journey in Faith
Tuesday 19th March SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	11:30am Holy Communion service	3:30pm Meeting with Parents of Confirmation Children at St Marks School
Wednesday 20th March Lent Feria	11:00am Rosary 11:30am Pat McKee RIP	
Thursday 21st March Lent Feria	9:15am Mass at St Mark's School Maureen Ford	
Friday 22nd March Lent Feria	11:30am Michael Doocey RIP	10:45am Stations of the Cross 7:30pm Choir Practice in Church
Saturday 23rd March Lent Feria	10:00am Andrew Kitson RIP 10:30am - 12pm Confessions 12:30pm Paddy Waldron RIP	1:30pm Parish Centre AGM
Sunday 24th March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Retiring Collection for Senior Citizens Party	8:30am Ints of Bridget Whitfield 10:30am John Sippits RIP 12:00pm Baptism 4:30pm Stations of the Cross Led by Altar Servers	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass. (Marie and Carmel) 8.00pm-9:30pm Bingo in the Parish Centre.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

You are welcome to join us for these sessions of prayer and reflection. Our next session is on Monday the **18th March –the topic will be Christian living—Marriage and family life.** We meet in the presbytery at 7.30pm. Please join us.

Loose Money:

£557.13

Gift Aid Envelopes :

£338.92

Building Fund:

£554.91

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 438

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

COFFEE

MORNING FUND

RAISE, SUNDAY

24TH MARCH 2019

There will be cooked Samosas etc for sale after 10:30 Mass. All proceeds will go to the Church. Please come along and support this event.

**OUR PARISH
CENTRE**

We need your support. For bookings contact Jackie Mooney on 0745 552 6003 holynameparishcentre.wix.com/ event

**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings**

**Exodus 3:1-8,
143-15; Ps 102; 1
Corinthians**

**10: 1-6, 10-12:Luke
13:1-9**

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

This year this pilgrimage is on Saturday 11th May 2019. Further details please see the poster on the Church Notice Board.

GREAT BARR FOOD BANK

Thank you for your continued support for the Great Barr Food Bank: They are especially in need of the following items: Long Life Milk, Tinned Rice Pudding, Custard, Tinned Fruit, Fruit Juice, Tinned Meat, Shower Gel and Shampoo. Please place any items in the basket in the Church porch. Thank you once again for your help and support.

FUNDRAISING FOR LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The cake sale in aid of this appeal will take place in the Parish Centre after the 10.30 Mass this Sunday 17th March. Many thanks for your support. Luke Jarvis.

CAFOD FAST DAY

There are Gift Aid envelopes available in the porch for your donation if you are a UK tax payer. Many thanks for your support.

MISSIO BOXES

If you have a Missio box, could you please empty it into the envelope and leave the envelopes in the Parish office. Many thanks. Debbie O'Shea.

RECEPTION INTO THE CHURCH THIS EASTER

We have two Candidates whom we will be receiving into the Church this Easter. They went to the Cathedral last Sunday for the formal service of welcome by the Archbishop called the Rite of Election, and now they ask for our prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Fr Vincent SCJ

AFTERNOON RETREAT FOR READERS AND MINISTERS

This will take place Saturday 23rd March at St Mary's Convent, Handsworth. For more details, please see the notice in the porch.