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THE ARCHDIOCESE
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SECOND SUNDAY IN
LENT

24TH FEBRUARY TO
3RD MARCH 2024

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 22:1-2,
9 –13, 15-18

Psalms 115

Romans 8:31-34,

Mark 9:2-10

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ

Today we are invited to reflect on an extraordinary event in the life of Jesus, the moment He was transfigured in the presence of His disciples, Peter, James and John. The importance of this event is shown by the fact that it is described in detail in three of the Gospels. This takes place at a critical moment in the life of Jesus. Jesus has left behind his beloved Galilee and turned his face towards Jerusalem, where he knows he will meet the same fate as the prophets before him. The transfiguration experience was important not only for Jesus but also for his beloved disciples, Peter, James, and John. Their eyes were opened and they catch a glimpse of Jesus in His glory, and their ears were opened to hear the divine confirmation of Jesus' identity as the beloved Son to whom they are commanded to listen. Captivated by the experience, Peter wants to remain on the mountain in the exalted company of Elijah, Moses and Jesus. However, this is not to be. This luminous moment passes and the three disciples find themselves alone with Jesus who warns them not to tell anyone what they have witnessed until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. We are told that the disciples observed his warning faithfully but continued to reflect on what they had seen and heard, wondering what it all meant.

Today's Gospel prompts us to recall transfiguration moments in our own lives, moments when we caught a glimpse of a transcendent beauty beyond the horizon of the habitual. Lent is a time to recall such moments in our own lives and draw strength from them. It is a time to trust in the Lord, like Abraham. It is a time to withdraw to the mountain with Jesus, to listen to Him and allow Him to lead us on our journey towards Easter.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, Bernie Mortlock, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Christine Enid and John King, Joyce Finch, Henry Miller, Christine McGivern, Mary Arulandhu, Teresa Goddard, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield and Patricia Lacey.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Margaret and David Curtis, David Quigley and** all those who have died recently. We also remember Sydney Ridley, Ernest Watters, Nicholas Kharchoum, Mary Barber, Donna Broadbent, Katherine Davies, Mary Clifton, Margaret Sullivan, Stephen Kearns, Patricia Poyner, Harry Bradshaw, Leslie Winston, Nora Miley, Dermot Fetherston, Ellen King, Ann Golden, Ann Dugsan, Bernadette Farrell, Esther Wilson, Fred Clewlow, Mary Holmes, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

The Requiem Mass for Margaret and David Curtis is on Friday 1st March 2024 here in Holy Name Church at 11:00am, followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 1:00pm.

SUNDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

There will be Coffee Morning in the Parish Centre after 10.30 Mass. It is an opportunity for our parishioners to come together for a chat and a warm cuppa. We are also in need of more volunteers to host continuously the Coffee Morning. Please contact our Parish Administrator Payal in the office, if you can help our parish in this regard. Many thanks for your continuing support.

READERS RECOLLECTION - SATURDAY 2ND MARCH

If you have not yet collected your letter of the Invitation from the Church Porch, please do so this weekend.

This Week Saturday 24th February – Sunday 3rd March (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass Intentions	Devotions & Other Events
Saturday 24th February Lent Feria	12:30pm Nicholas Kharchoum RIP	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 25th February SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CAFOD	8:30am Brendan McInerney 10:30am Ints of Bob Fleming	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass By S.V.P 2:30pm Stations of the Cross Led by Choir
Monday 26th February Lent Feria	11:30am Ints of Marist Sisters Ints of Kath Hornett	11:00am Divine Mercy 7:00pm Holy Hour
Tuesday 27th February Lent Feria	9:15am Ints of Nadia Jones Ints of Margaret Conway	7:00pm Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary
Wednesday 28th February Lent Feria	9:15am Holy Name School Mass in School Ints of Angela Richards 11:30am Ints of Kitty Freeman	11:00am Rosary
Thursday 29th February Lent Feria	9:00am Mass at St. Mark's School Rita Leonard RIP 9:15am Mass in Church Ints of Mary McNamara	7:00pm Confirmation for St. Mark's School Children
Friday 1st March Feast of St. David, Bishop, Patron of Wales	11:00am Requiem Mass for Margaret and David Curtis 7:15pm Holy Mass Ann McDonnell RIP	7:00pm Divine Mercy Prayer
Saturday 2nd March Feast of St. Chad, Bishop	12:30pm Colum Conway RIP	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 3rd March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE	8:30am Ints of Andy Finlay 10:30am Bridie Madden RIP	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass By Helena, Marie and Friends 2:30pm Stations of the Cross Led by Altar Servers

**Last Week's
Offertory
Collection:
£343.78**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£178.50**

**FOR THE PARISH:
£176.70**

**Standing Order for
the month of
January:1,847.50**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 262**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**

**Exodus 20:1-17
(Ex 20:1-3, 7-8,
12-17);**

Ps 18;

1 Corinthians

1:22-25; John

2:13-25

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PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall is open after Mass at the weekend. In addition to the normal cards and gifts, cards for Mother's Day, St. Patrick's Day and Easter are now available.

NEW UPDATED READERS AND EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS ROTAS

There are new Rotas available for Readers and Ministers from the Church Porch please take one as you leave Mass today. Thank you.

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

This year it will be on Friday 23rd February with the Collection that weekend. This Lent, your donations will help hardworking fishermen like James in Liberia with resources, tools and training to work safely and more efficiently, so that they can feed their families. There are Gift Aid Envelopes available in the Church Porch. For more information about the work of CAFOD visit their website cafod.org.uk. Thank you for your support.

HELP NEEDED

We are shortly due to refurbish the Parish Office. If you have any unwanted packing boxes, we would be grateful if you could pass them on to help us moving the Office contents while the work is carried out. Thank you.

ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This Ecumenical service will take place on Friday 1st March at 2:00pm at the Methodist Church, Sundial Lane. All are welcome.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of someone who can take care of Bookings for the Parish Centre. Also, if your skills are more practical, we need help in a caretaking role for the parish centre. If you are able to help with either of these roles or are interested in finding out more about what would be involved, please contact the Parish Office.