

HOLY TRINITY NEWCASTLE, & SACRED HEART SILVERDALE & MADELEY

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT – 24TH MARCH (C) 2019

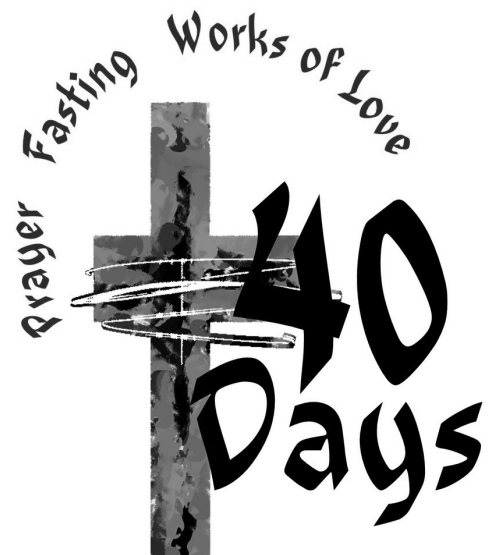
LENT – THE SEASON OF RECONCILIATION

As we settle into our Lenten journey, the first two readings of today's liturgy remind us of our destination. And the gospel reading brings us the advice of Jesus to be alert, ready to enjoy the blessings that can be ours at the end of the journey.

Paul's admonition serves as an introduction to the down to earth advice the Lord himself has for us in the gospel reading. News of catastrophes leads thoughtful people to reflect upon the meaning of life.

Jesus warns against the common temptation to interpret the designs of God in such events. They should be a reminder to put our lives in order: 'Unless you repent you will all perish'.

Another Lent! How many Lenten journeys have we made – and with what profit to show? How many Lents will we see in the future? Luke - sensitive to the fullness of the Good News brought by the Saviour – links Jesus' call to conversion with the parable of the barren fig tree. As we ponder Lent's call to a more generous Christian commitment, we do so in the presence of the compassionate and patient God revealed to us in Jesus Christ: 'Leave it; it may bear fruit'.



HOLY TRINITY NEWCASTLE

Sunday 24th March 2019, Third Sunday of Lent (C)



Sat 23rd	5.15pm	(Vigil Mass)	May & Jim Gooder
Sunday 24th March	11.00am 4.30pm	Third Sunday of Lent <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	Anne Worrall
Mon 25th	10.00am 6.00pm	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. (Convent)	Sr Clotilde Ints Sr Bernadette Holmes
Tues 26th	10.00am	Lent Feria	Catherine Latham
Wed 27th	10.00am	Lent Feria	Ints Dave Hammersley
Thurs 28th	10.00am	Lent Feria	Ints of the Bailey Family
Fri 29th	7.00am 11.00am	Lent Feria Requiem Mass (<i>Reception Thursday 5pm</i>)	Zita Dieseru Peter Edwards
Saturday 30th	10.00am 5.15pm	Lent Feria	Ints Angela Peake Eileen Hubbard
Sunday 31st March	11.00am 4.30pm	Fourth Sunday of Lent <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	Jane Simcock

Sacred Heart Silverdale & Madeley

Sun 24th	9.00am	Third Sunday of Lent	Holy Souls
Wed 27th	12noon	Lent Feria	Communion Service
March 31st	9.00am	Fourth Sunday of Lent	People of the Parish

Second Collection next weekend for Easter Flowers.

Confessions: Saturday 11.30 - 1.00pm - 4.30pm - 5.00pm.

Martyrs Chapel Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Monday 10.30 - 12noon - Thursday 10.30 - 12noon. (*Please sign rota for Thursday*)

Mass Intentions give only to Fr. Paul or through the presbytery door for his attention!

NB. When you are requesting a Mass Intention for a particular date. And the date you request has already been taken Fr. Paul will ring you to arrange an alternative date.

Parish Office and Presbytery - Open Hours: open all day Mon/Tues/Thurs!

Fri 9.30am-12.30pm. **CLOSED ALL DAY WEDNESDAY.**

PARISH BULLETIN: Please submit items to Pauline Cregg (editor)

holytrinitynewcastle@yahoo.co.uk or post through the Presbytery door for her attention.

(No later than Thursday 10.30am. thank you)

WHAT'S ON HOLY TRINITY

PARISH CENTRE:

Thurs 4th April UCM Meeting: 7.30pm.

Thurs April 11th-Charity Quiz

Night: 8.30pm.



WHATS ON AT SACRED HEART:

Sun 7th April - Sacred Heart 200

Club draw: After 9am Mass.



WHAT'S ON AT COOLOCK:

Lenten Reflections on the Gospels and Laudato Si': Are you concerned

about Climate Change and the Environment? Learn about Pope Francis' teachings. Monday evenings during Lent at 7pm.

Thurs 28th March HTFC:

Next film 'The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society'. At 2pm, cost £3. All welcome.

Mercy Associates: meeting on Wednesday 3rd April at 2pm and 6:30pm **Theme "The Cross"**



Gift Aid Boxes: available today at the rear of the church. These boxes **MUST** be collected before **31st March 2019**

Lenten Fast Day:

Our parishes raised 2 fantastic totals: Holy Trinity **£1032** and Sacred Heart **£278**.

Fr Paul thanks everyone for their wonderful generosity.

Lenten Soup lunch: raised **£215** for CAFOD.

Thank you to the Ladies Guild and all who prepared the lovely soup for their hard work and to all those who attended and supported CAFOD's work.



Brexit Prayer Vigil: This Sunday 24th March from 12noon until 12midnight there will be a Prayer Vigil at Stoke Minster, for the City, the local Area and the Nation on what should have been the last Sunday before Brexit. There is an Ecumenical Service at 6.30pm of which Bishop McGough is part.

Fr Paul will be concluding the Vigil with the Office of Compline at 11.45pm. There is an open invitation to all.



Deanery Penitential Services :

Tues 9th Apr 6.30pm

St Wulstan's, Wolstanton

Mon 15th Apr 7pm, Holy Trinity, Newcastle.

Mon 15th Apr 7pm St Augustine's Meir.

Tues 16th Apr 7pm Sacred Heart, Hanley.

Tues 16th Apr 7pm St Giles, Cheadle.

Tues 16th Apr 7.15pm Our Lady & St Werburgh's, Clayton.



Deputy Head Post: St Maria Goretti School, Bentilee are looking to appoint a new Deputy Headteacher. Any suitably qualified and experienced teachers, who are practising and committed Catholics are invited to apply. Applications must be in by 1st April 2019. Interviews will take place on 8th April 2019. For more information contact Helen Ruscoe 01782 234737 hruscoe@stgca.org.uk

Trinity Topics Easter edition: revised deadline: Mon 1st April. News, articles and photos by e-mail to wellspring89@yahoo.co.uk

"Mission today " Spring edition available at the back of church for all red box holders.

SAFEGUARDING: The Archdiocese of Birmingham Safeguarding Team is available on: **0121 230 6240** or emergency out-of-hours on **07976 516629**. Fostering a culture which has safeguarding at its very heart remains a key part of our work. If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on **0808 800 5000**.

FIRST READING: A reading from the book of Exodus 3:1-8,13-15
'I AM has sent me to you'.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (102)

(R) THE LORD IS COMPASSION AND LOVE.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.

3. The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons.

4. The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.



**SECOND READING: A reading from the first letter of
St. Paul to the 1 Corinthians 10:1-6,10-12**

The life of the people under Moses in the desert was written down to be a lesson for us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Repent, says the Lord,
for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-9

'Leave the fig tree one more year'.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.