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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

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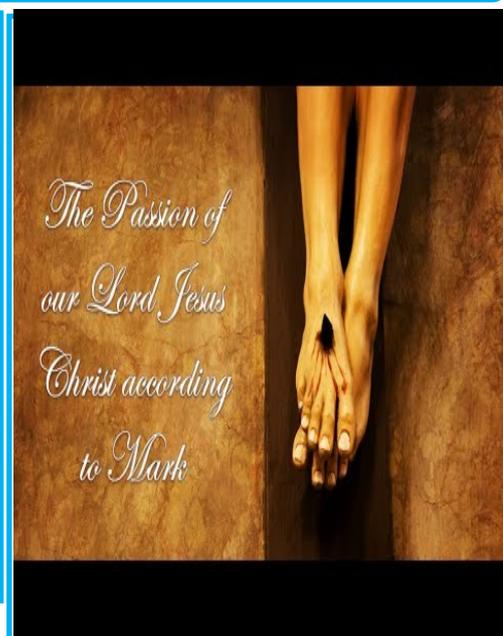
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AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Lent is fast approaching. It is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. During this forty days of lent, I would like all of you to remember and pray for persecuted Christians around the world also pray for our missionaries around the world, living in unwelcome and dangerous places. I urge you all to save some money through your weekly Fasting towards helping persecuted Christians around the world. There will be a box as you exit from the church where your donation could be made. Those who have not yet started attending the church may bring it to the presbytery. Many Thanks. Fr. Tom



READERS AND EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS

Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to be present on Maundy Thursday to renew their commitment for 2021-2022. We are planning to have a day away together once the lockdown restrictions are lifted.

Sat 20th Mar 2021	Lenten Feria	09.00AM 06.00PM	All Parishioners Margaret Gallagher
Sun 21st Mar 2021	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT PASSION SUNDAY	09.15AM	Humberto and Elia RIP
Mon 22nd Mar 2021	Lenten Feria	09.00AM	All Parishioners
Tue 23rd Mar 2021	Lenten Feria	09.00AM	All the sick
Wed 24th Mar 2021	Lenten Feria	09.00AM	Kathleen Meiklejohn RIP
Thu 25th Mar 2021	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)	09.00AM	For the Diocese
Fri 26th Mar 2021	Lenten Feria	09.00AM 06.15PM 07.00PM	Private Intention Stations of the Cross after Mass Stations of the Cross All the Sick
Sat 27th Mar 2021	Lenten Feria	09.00AM 06.00PM	Private Intention Benefactors and Friends of the Parish

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Gospel

Mark 14:1-15:47

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this, they said, 'Listen, he is calling on Elijah.' Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink saying; 'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.' But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, 'In truth this man was a son of God.'

There were some women watching from a distance. Among them were Mary of Magdala, Mary who was the mother of James the younger and Joset, and Salome. These used to follow him and look after him when he was in Galilee. And there were many other women there who had come up to Jerusalem with him.

It was now evening, and since it was Preparation Day (that is, the vigil of the sabbath), there came Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent member of the Council, who himself lived in the hope of seeing the kingdom of God, and he boldly went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate, astonished that he should have died so soon, summoned the centurion and enquired if he was already dead. Having been assured of this by the centurion, he granted the corpse to Joseph who bought a shroud, took Jesus down from the cross, wrapped him in the shroud and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb. Mary of Magdala and Mary the mother of Joset were watching and took note of where he was laid.



“To fear God with that just fear which prompts men to refrain from all sin is the beginning of greater mercies”.

(A. Rosmini)

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING FOR LIFE WEDNESDAY 24th MARCH 2021

A great prayer for Life is urgently needed. St John Paul II

Join us each month in Prayer and Fasting:

Fasting: Fast from all food except bread and water for the day Or Fast from a particular food or luxury, e.g. chocolate, alcohol, cigarettes, TV. Fast from whatever you can, given your state of health etc, but make sure it is something that involves a sacrifice to yourself.

Prayer: We are asking people to say a Rosary, (or an extra Rosary if you say it daily already). You could also offer an extra effort such as going to Mass (or an extra Mass) on the day, or going to Adoration. You can even pray before a closed tabernacle if Adoration is not available near you.

On 24th March, the Vigil of The Annunciation, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia. Pray especially that the Government will end the DIY abortions at home. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed.

For information on the day of Prayer and Fasting, contact: The Good Counsel Network on 020 7723 1740.

And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least...God saw their efforts to renounce their evil ways. And God relented about the disaster which He had threatened to bring on them, and He did not bring it. (Jonah 3:5,10)

Repository News- A selection of cards are available to purchase including Easter Cards. Please make a note visit after Mass. Many thanks.

EASTER FLOWER COLLECTION

Coming two weekends, you can donate money towards Easter Sunday flowers. Many Thanks.

Holy Week Mass timings are available at the exit. We have no booking system in place this time. It will be first come serve basis. The Maximum capacity at one time is 50. Many Thanks.

EASTER RAFFLE

Our easter raffle will have the following prizes.

Easter Eggs, Wine, Toiletries and a Cuddly Teddy Bear.

Squares will be on sale from this weekend.

All funds will be go to the parish to help in these crucial times.

Many thanks



Senior Safeguarding Coordinator

The Catholic Diocese of Nottingham seeks to appoint an experienced Safeguarding Professional to lead and manage its Safe guarding Service. Salary: £43,800 - £47,800 dependent on qualifications and experience. For more information and an application pack email: office@dioceseofnottingham.uk Closing date 11th April 2021.

Offertory Collection

Envelopes: £

Loose Plate: £

Total:£

Many thanks for your continued Support.

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

RECENTLY DECEASED

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Matty Hatton, Paul Lallo, Sally Knight, Carolyn Hanley, Christina Prioretti, Oliver Vanderfejt, Lorraine Pugh, Doreen Conannon, Wendy Mitchell, Leah Hollard and Veronica Cross

(Livestreaming of the Mass is on everyday, YouTube: St Theresa Sacred Heart)