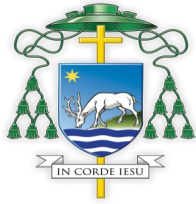


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Sunday 25th February 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Year B, Psalter Week II

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses

Sun 25th Feb	9.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Alan Malone RIP
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: David, Edna Gooding RIP
Mon 26th	12 noon	SB	Mass: Alan Mayer RIP
Tues 27th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Int. Maria Wilman
	7.30 pm	SB	<i>Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
Wed 28th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Teofila Billedo RIP
	7.30 pm	HG	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Thur 29th	6.30 am	SB	Mass: Ellen Fagan RIP
Fri 1st	ST DAVID , Religious, Bishop, <i>feast</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Barbara Helen Brice RIP
	7.30 pm	SB	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Sat 2nd	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Julie Brennan RIP

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Year B, Psalter Week III

Sun 3rd Mar	9.00 am	SB	Mass: John, Emily Liddell RIP (Fond)
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	2.30 pm	SB	Syro Malabar Rite
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Vocations to the Priesthood

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Peter, James and John saw Jesus in a new light, literally so, when they accompanied Him onto the Mount of Transfiguration. Mountaintops in the Bible are places of revelation; of encounter with God. It was on a mountain that Elijah called down fire from heaven; on a mountaintop that Moses received the Commandments. Coming down from the mountaintop, the face of Moses shone. People had been speculating whether Jesus might be another Moses, Elijah, or even John the Baptist come back to life. The Disciples were unsure. Their confidence in Jesus had been shaken recently. His earlier popularity seemed to be waning, and He kept talking about suffering and death. Then, suddenly, here on the mountain, they saw Him speaking with Moses and Elijah. He was radiant with light. It was wonderful for their Master to be in such company. Peter even offered to build shelters, assuming the prophets to have come back to life. It was then the realisation struck. Jesus' dazzling appearance was not reflected glory coming from Moses or Elijah: the light was coming out of Him through the weave of His clothing! Wonder turned to terror as the disciples found themselves enveloped in the bright cloud of God's presence and heard the Father's voice bestowing upon their Master a unique authority: "This is my beloved Son, listen to Him!"

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WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors who join us for Mass whether in our Church or via the livestream. If you are new to the Parish, we welcome you, and ask that you complete a new parishioner form on our website.

LENT 2024

Lent is a time to prepare for Holy Week's commemoration of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

* Every Tuesday during Lent

Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7.30pm in St Bede's Church

* Every Wednesday during Lent

Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm at Holy Ghost Church

* Every Thursday during Lent

There will be a 6.30am Mass at St Bede's Church followed by breakfast in the Hall afterwards

* Every Friday during Lent

Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm at St. Bede's Church.



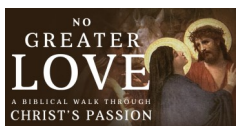
LENTEN LUNCHESES

There will be five Lenten lunches taking place in St. Bede's Church Hall during Lent. Mondays 26th Feb, 4th March, 11th March and 18th March, all after the 12 noon Mass. BACCA are hosting lunch on Saturday 16th March. All money raised will go to CAFOD. You will find sign up sheets for each lunch in the Cloister.

OBEDIENCE

Have you ever done something grudgingly? Been obedient but with reluctance? Said 'yes' but felt 'no'? Done what had to be done but with anger in your heart? Lent is a time of 'obedience' when we are invited to walk with Jesus, to live with Jesus, to be part of Jesus. We need to open ourselves to Jesus and allow Him to plant His law – His law of love and life – deep into our being. Then we can call Him our God in name and in fact!

NO GREATER LOVE: A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH CHRIST'S PASSION



There is still time to register for *No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion*, and join together as we walk step-by-step with Jesus on His

journey from His agony in the garden to His crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with Him today. This is a five-part Bible study program from 7.30 to 9pm which continues on Monday 26th February. To register, follow this link: [No Greater Love - Course Registration \(google.com\)](#)

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The next Baptism programme will take place on Sunday 10th March and Sunday 24th March at 1.30pm (registration from 1.15pm) in St Bede's Church Hall. To register please email: baptism@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Give using the envelopes in the Cloister, or online at: www.cafod.org.uk and please join us in praying that our sisters and brothers around the world have what they need to feed their families.

PARISH BIG LENT WALK

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Parish 'Big Lent Walk' for CAFOD. To make a donation to the Parish Giving Page, please click the link: [St Bede's Church, Basingstoke is fundraising for CAFOD](#)



GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

Do let the Parish Office know if you are going into hospital.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2024

Friday 1st March is World Day of Prayer, an international, inter-church organisation led by women which enables us to hear the thoughts of those women from all parts of the world: their hopes, concerns, and prayers. The Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 146 countries beginning in Samoa, through Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas, finishing in American Samoa. A service for everyone will be held at Sacred Heart Church Hook, London Road at 2pm on Friday 1st March. All are welcome, there will be refreshments afterwards in the hall.

'COME AND SEE'

May is the season of Diaconal 'Come and See' for those men who feel the call to Diaconal ministry and who wish to find out more. This year we are gathering on Saturday 11th May in Didcot. If you feel this call from God, or maybe you are not certain if you do, put the date in your diary and come along, and if you're married it is something to do as a couple. For further information see this weeks e-News.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE HUMAN?

The Diocese has organised an exciting Symposium called What does it Mean to be Human? - a discussion day on medical and health-care ethics. It takes place at The Arc (formerly The Discovery Centre) in Winchester (opposite St. Peter's Catholic Church) on Saturday 16th March 2024 from 10.00am until 4.15pm. Tickets cost £20, including sandwich lunch and refreshments, and are available online: [What does it mean to be Human? Medical Ethics and Social Care Today Tickets, Sat 16 Mar 2024 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](#)

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 18th February amounted to £2,563.70. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is online at: [Donate to Basingstoke St Bede's Church | Give as you Live Donate](#) or via our contactless terminal by the Hall.