



**Time & Intentions
for Sundays and
Weekdays Masses**



DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	INTENTION	CHURCH
Sun 1 st March	9 am	<u>2nd Sun. of Lent</u>	Joseph Jackman (5 th Anniversary)	Holy Family
Sun 1 st March	11.15 am	<u>2nd Sun. of Lent</u>	S.I. Joe Collins Parishioners	Our Lady V
Mon 2 nd March		St David, Patron of Wales		The church is closed
Tue 3 rd March	9 am	Weekday of Lent	Stuart Munro (LD)	Our Lady V
Wed 4 th March	9 am	St Casimir		Our Lady V
Thu 5 th March	9 am	Weekday of Lent		Our Lady V
Fri 6 th March	7 pm	Weekday of Lent		Our Lady V
Sat 7 th March	12 noon	Ss Perpetua & Felicity Our Lady on Sat.		Our Lady V
Sun 8 th March	9 am	<u>3rd Sun. of Lent</u>	Graham Swift (A)	Holy Family
Sun 8 th March	11.15 am	<u>3rd Sun. of Lent</u>	The Kelly Family	Our Lady V
Sun 8 th March	3 pm	<u>3er Domingo Cuaresma</u>	<u>MISA EN ESPANOL</u>	Our Lady V

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions: Tue 9.30am to 10am; Sat 11am to 12

Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Devotion: Tuesdays 9.30 am OLOV.

Baptisms, Weddings: by appointments. **Wednesday Club:** / **Tuesday Nursery:** You are welcome!

We pray for all who are sick and elderly:

Marie Tyrer, Ray Sherwood, Betty Maurey, Henry Henderson, Anne and Mike Quinn, Ronnie Baybut, Geoff Morrissey, Michael Hyland, Paul Blackford, Harry Caine, Sophie Caine, Christine Watts, Deacon John and Ann Crooks, Joan Callaghan, Natalie Kavanagh, Hannalor Mainey, Betty Costello, Pauline Hayes, Irene Halsall, Stuart Munroe.

We pray for those whose Anniversary occurs at this time: Roseanne Taylor, Kath McCambridge, Emily Shaw, Bill Moran, George Hoare, Anna Caush. **We pray for those who have died:** Stuart Munro

THREE PILLARS OF LENT



PRAYER



FASTING



ALMSGIVING

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Second Sunday of Lent (A): 1st March 2026



TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY: For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration.

Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.

The hours on the mountain were a huge experience for Peter, James and John, who would always be with him. They saw him in his glory, the beloved son of the Father. There was more to him than meets the eye.

You climb a mountain and you see new views; you see the city from a new vantage point. You see the countryside in its beauty. We need times to climb mountains and get away from the ordinary. Lent is a time like that – as we give something up, we take something on. Whenever we climb the mountain of the Lord or make any journey with him, we are changed. As every mountain is different, so every moment with him is well worth while!

We receive this word of God, and we receive our call to share it. The apostles would spend their lives sharing what they got on the mountain, and how it changed them.

Is there a word or line of scripture that you like, and which helps you? Repeat it to yourself as a prayer. "Lord, make me a listener to your word".

Fr Sergio, Parish Priest

Missionaries of Charity: The annual Carrying of the Cross will take place on Saturday 28 March 2026 at 2PM. Led by Fr Peter Ross of St Bede's Parish, Widnes, we will begin from Church Street, passing through Bold Street and finishing at St Luke's Church (bombed out church), and will be followed by a short service. Please join us from 1:45pm at the junction of Church Street and Lord Street, Liverpool for a 2pm prompt start. You are very welcome to join. We also need stewards – if you would like to steward, please contact Jim Ross on email: jimmy.ross7@gmail.com
St Stephen's CoE: Day of Prayer Nigeria 2026 – Hightown, Fri 6th March at 2 pm

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FOODBANK:

Please help local people in crisis by donating non-perishable items to the Local Foodbank. The Foodbank is designed to help individuals and families in crisis, through the provision of emergency food supplies, it also supports existing agencies working with the distressed and destitute by donating food in bulk.

Donated items (non-perishable) can be put in the basket provided at the entrance of the church.



LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR THE 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT + CYCLE A

First reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

In those days: The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

The word of the Lord

Second reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Beloved: We share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling not because of our works, but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father. From a bright cloud, the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my beloved Son, listen to him'.

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Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.' When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and have no fear.' And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one, but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, 'Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Source: Universis App – New Lectionary

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33(32)

R./ May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD.

The word of the LORD is upright, and all his works to be trusted. The LORD loves justice and right, and his merciful love fills the earth.

Yes, the LORD's eyes are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their soul from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul is waiting for the LORD. He is our help and our shield. May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD.

The Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God,
 the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth,
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried;
 he descended into hell;
 on the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
 from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and life everlasting.
 Amen

The Archdiocese of Liverpool is inviting you to collect items through Lent by following this calendar. The items you collect will then be ready for you to donate to your local food bank ready for Holy Week.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
16 February	17 Shrove Tuesday	18 Ash Wednesday	19 Pasta	20 Cereal	21 Tea bags	22 Shampoo
23 Soup	24 Rice	25 Baby wipes	26 Body wash	27 Pasta sauce	28 Sanitary products	1 March Beans & pulses
2 Tinned tomatoes	3 Instant noodles	4 Biscuits	5 Toilet paper	6 Fruit juice	7 Toothbrush/ toothpaste	8 Washing up liquid
9 UHT Milk	10 Soap	11 Tinned fruit	12 Hand sanitiser	13 Coffee	14 Laundry powder	15 Squash
16 Deodorant	17 Instant mash	18 Crackers	19 Cereal bars	20 Sleeping bag or roll mat	21 Bag for life	22 Easter Egg
23 Time to donate	24 Time to donate	25 Time to donate	26 Time to donate	27 Time to donate	28 Time to donate	29 Time to donate
30 Pray for those receiving your donation	31	1 April	2 Maundy Thursday	3 Good Friday	4 Holy Saturday	5 Easter Sunday

GIVE
PRAY
FAST

**Every Friday of Lent
 at 7 pm
 followed by Holy Mass**

The Stations of the Cross

**Our Lady of Victories Church
 Sandy Lane, Hightown**

**Pray This Lenten Devotional
 with the Whole Family**