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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR C): 10TH MARCH 2019



In every area of our lives there are periods of mending, renewing, and refocusing. We talk about 'spring cleaning', 'annual reviews, and 'in-service training'. Now we enter a period to renew our discipleship prior to celebrating the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter. So now can we spend some moments considering how God our creator made us and has provided for us.

Let us recall that God our saviour has called us to live in a new way and to build a world of justice and peace. Let us remember how God our inspiration offers us strength for our discipleship.

### Homily Notes

Lent has three themes intertwined within it as we celebrate it.

- (1) It is a time of preparation for Easter, especially for those who are to be baptised.
- (2) It is a time of repentance and reparation for wrongs done to others around us, the larger community, and the creation.
- (3) It is a time of stocktaking and renewal in discipleship, the skills needed to be a disciple, and in the commitment to the work and activities of being a Christian.

*\*Please take a booklet giving details of opportunities for your spiritual life in this lent.*

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

*A reading from Book of Deuteronomy 26:4-10*

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

“My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, the Lord, have given me.”

'You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'



*The word of the Lord.* **R. Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 90

*R. Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.*

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
and abides in the shade of the Almighty  
says to the Lord: 'My refuge,  
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' **R**

Upon you no evil shall fall,  
no plague approach where you dwell.  
For you as he commanded his angels,  
to keep you in all your ways. **R**

They shall bear you upon their hands  
lest you trike your foot against a stone.  
On the lion and the viper you will tread  
and trample the young lion and the dragon. **R**

His love he set on me, so I will rescue him  
protect him for he knows my name.  
when he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.'  
I will save him in distress and give him glory. **R**

## SECOND READING

### *A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

Scripture says: The word (that is the faith we proclaim) is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

*The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!*

*Man does not live on bread alone,*

*but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.*

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## GOSPEL

### *A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 4:1-10*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you,

and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

*The Gospel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ*

## THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him all things were made.\*For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit (all bow) *was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



**SANCTUS:** *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

### **THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.**

*We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection,  
until you come again.*

### **COMMUNION RITE**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...  
*For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever*

### **Behold the Lamb of God...**

*Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.*

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from  
the mouth of God.*

## PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

### LENTEN RETREAT

The Parish Lenten Retreat on Friday 15th 7pm-9pm & Saturday 16th 9am-5.30pm, March led by Fr George Antony, O.P. Please put these dates in your diary.



### RITE OF ELECTION

Congratulations to all catechumens and candidates who joined others from parishes in the diocese for the Rite of Election at the St George's Cathedral on Saturday 9th March.

### SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR YOU AT THIS LENT



- ♦ If possible attend regular Mass (weekdays)
- ♦ Do your Morning, Evening Prayer and Examination of Conscience
- ♦ Spend time in prayer- may be by meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary
- ♦ Read Spiritual Books
- ♦ Do Stations of the Cross.
- ♦ Spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Mon-Sat 8.45am-9.15am, Friday 5.15pm-6.15pm.
- ♦ Don't fail in your Sunday Obligation
- ♦ Don't fail to make your confession before Easter.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please come and pray STATION OF THE CROSS on every Friday in Lent, begin this Friday at 7pm in the Church.



### ST PATRICK'S DAY

The Parish invites everyone to join for the feast day Mass at 6.30pm on Saturday 16th MARCH, followed by celebrations in the hall with live music, Irish Dance and lots more. *Tickets are available from the repository and Coffee Shop.*

**WORKING PARTY:** Parish is intending to form a working party which will come together every *third Saturday of the Month at 10am* to have a cup tea and do the maintenance and repairs of the premises including gardening and cleaning of the church pavement. *The first one will be on 23rd March.*

**ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING DAY :** Next Training Session is on Saturday: *4th May.*

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

**RCIA:** Next session is on SATURDAY 16th March at 1.30pm.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES:** Next session is on two sessions are SATURDAY 9th & 16th March at 9.50am in the Parish Hall.

**CONFIRMATION:** The next session is on SATURDAY 9TH & 16TH March at 11.15am in the Parish Hall.

## **CLEANING TEAM**

Parish thanks everyone who sacrifices their time to keep the Church clean. We need more people to join the team, if you can, please write your in the sheet which can be found in the Porch.

## **COMMUNITY DAYS**

As our Parish hall is ready, we shall resume the community days in our parish. The dates for the celebrations: *Asian day: 26th May, African & Caribbean day: 8th July, European day: 22nd September & All Nations Thanksgiving Day: 24th November*

## **NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

We welcome Mgr Mathew Dickens, Vicar General of the diocese, to our parish family on Saturday 30th March at 6.30pm Mass to commission new Eucharistic Ministers.

*Training day for New Eucharistic Ministers Saturday 23rd March at 4.30pm in the Church.*

**READERS ROTA:** New Rota is available from the Notice Board.

## **INFANTS BAPTISM**

Any parents who wish to baptise their children should register in the parish and attend the Mass regularly for at least six months. Those who moved recently to the parish should get evidence of the catholic practice. Fr Shaju will be happy to talk to you during Parish Open house if you have any queries.

## **LITURGY FOR INFANTS**

There will be live Mass in the New Room which is accessible through the emergency exit on Our Lady's aisle. This room is handy for parents who come with small children. Parents can take their children to the room when they are restless. There will be catechetical materials available in the Room.

## **CHILDRENS' LITURGY**

At the beginning of 10.30am Mass on Sunday, all children, 5-10 years are requested to come forward towards the Sanctuary to join for the liturgy procession. Catechists will lead them out to the Parish Meeting Room.

## **COFFEE AFTER MASS**

Please join for a Cup of Tea/ Coffee after the Sunday morning masses. It is an opportunity to meet other members of the parish family. Cooked breakfast is available 10am-1pm and after 12:00 Mass a priced lunch is available for those interested.

## **CHURCH CLEANING**

Thank you very much to those people who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is week 2(Team 1) at 7pm.

## **NEED TO SEE A PRIEST**

If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or a wedding or a private matter, please come to the **Parish Open House**.

**Room Advert:** anyone is looking for a room, please see the notice board.



*To all those who are keeping the anniversary of their gift of life.*

***Wish you all a Blessed Week!***

## PARISH OPEN HOUSE

Next open house is on **Friday 15th March 4.30pm-6pm**. No appointment needed.

### TO BAPTISE A BABY

before filling a baptismal application form, please first discuss with a priest at the Parish Open House held on Fridays from **4.30pm—6.00pm** in the Parish Office.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

Next course will be on **Monday 25th March at 7.30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room.

### HOSPITAL VISITS

For any person admitted in St George's Hospital and who would like to see a priest, please contact Fr Mark Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

### PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

**The Sick:** Michael D'Souza, Marie D'Silva, Nilojan Mariyathas, Jill Hart, Betty Joyce, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Clifford Tetteh, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin Helena O'Connor, Cecil Adams, Pat Nolan, Pauline Kearney, Tony & Lenna McCormick, Victoria & Kwesi Yankson, Christina Wood, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D'Souza, Nigel Searle, Gordon King, Cecilia Figueira.

**Recently Deceased:** William Lucid, Brian Marsden & James Bolger

**Anniversaries:** Grace Ashionon, Douglas Smith, Martha Booth, William Smith, Peter Bekoe, Anthony McGuinness, Filomena Rose, Kathleen Burnett, Allister Calliste, John McMahan, Mary Tierney, Percy Webbe, Maria Alvares, Geoffrey Daniels, Aniroot Paranam, Desmond Augustin, Michael Stafford, Francis Darragh, Elizabeth Coughlan, John Rivans, Shirley Gammon, Margaret Reid. Michael Aktar, Rosemary Mariyanayagam, Hazel Lockwood & Yvonne D'Cruze. **May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	9th & 10th March	16th & 17th March
	<b>LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)</b>	
Sat18.30	Daren Alfred & Adrian Alfred	Matchel Bibat & Ethna Power
09.00	Pat Connors & Angus Xavier	Andrea Mango & Remo Manohardas
10.30	Christi Anoop & Stefanie Flaherty	Francis Ikpo & Deuwayne Ikpo
12.00	Calynn Da Cunha & Matthewson Matthews	Sharon Wrightman & Ronald Cabrera
18.30	Michael Lobo & Angel Babu	Susan Daniel & James Short
	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (please collect a copy of the rota)</b>	
Sat18.30	Agnela, David and Manuel Cabral	Lucinda & Mathew D'Souza Ethna Power
09.00	Valrose Hayes, Coralee Hilton, Elizabeth Rodrigues	Mary Donoghue, Pat Willis, Monique Sinfailam
10.30	Edy Endoza, Virginia Francois, Damian P Keeling	Carina Jualo, Isabella Mitchell Kasia Zuzewicz
12.00	Rosemary John, Marjorie Smith, Mary Mayne	Neves D'Souza, Tharma Kandiah Nellie de los Santos
18.30	Reya Mathai, Julian DeSouza Barrie Ellis-Daley	Barrie Ellis-Daley, Juliana De Souza & Agnes Babu
Church Cleaning:	Wk2: Mon 11th Mar @ 7pm	Wk3: Mon 18th Mar @ 10am

