



CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST BERNADETTE

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Seeking to revel in the Father's love; to proclaim Jesus as Lord; and to be alive in the Holy Spirit

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3rd March 2019

5.45pm Mass *James Patrick Flynn RIP*

Sunday 3rd March – EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30am First Holy Communion Teaching 5

10.30am Mass *Intentions of O'Farrell Family*

Monday 4th March – Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Tuesday 5th March – Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.30am Mass *Intentions of Margaret Flynn*

10.00am Church Cleaning

Wednesday 6th March – ASH WEDNESDAY- Day of Fast and Abstinence

9.30am Mass *Ken Griffith RIP*

10.00am Coffee Morning

12.00pm Reading with God

7.00pm Mass

Thursday 7th March – Thursday after Ash Wednesday

10.00 Mass in Primary School

Friday 8th March – Friday after Ash Wednesday

No Mass

Saturday 9th March – Saturday after Ash Wednesday

8.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9.30am Mass *Mary Fitzgerald RIP*

5.45pm Mass *Mick Wall RIP*

7.00pm Quizing

QUIZ NIGHT: 'Quizingo' with fish and chip supper on Saturday 9th March from 7.00pm in the Parish Centre. £10 per ticket, on sale after Mass.

BUILDING PROJECT SECOND COLLECTION: Thank you for the £409.20 raised towards the building project.

CAFOD LENTEN SOUP LUNCH: Our next Soup Lunch will be on Friday 15th March from 12.00pm in the Parish Centre. This is to mark CAFOD Family Fast Day. Please come along and join us with other churches in Whitchurch and Hengrove for warming soups, bread, cheese and fruit.

CAROLE STAFFORD: Please pray for Carole Stafford who has been coming to St Bernadette's for many years and will be baptised and confirmed at Easter! Joy!

SEMINARY: Fr Matt will be visiting the seminary on Thursday and Friday this week.



Confessions:
Sat 5pm – 5.30pm
or on request



COMMUNITY MATTERS! Fr Matt reflects on simple ways to build meaningful community and to create an atmosphere of welcome and belonging:

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made" Psalm 139:13

Showing our Significance

"Some of our younger members were at the biggest Catholic youth gathering in England and Wales this weekend. FLAME is a highly-charged, Spirit-filled event, attended by well over 8,000. I've been before – it would knock your socks off – it's so good; so vibrant; so hope and joy-filled - just what our parishes need to be. The theme of the day was 'Significance'. As FLAME's website says, significance is defined as 'worthy of attention', 'with meaning', 'important'. This is true of everyone who comes into this church. We are significant in the eyes of God. We are all worthy of attention because we are a people filled with meaning in Christ and thus important to him and to each other. Let's not be afraid to tell each other that we're significant. Let's show how significant we all are by being flames of warmth and love to each other. Let's not be afraid to show it so that if someone new walked in they would say, "There is something significant happening here. This is a place of hope".

RESOURCES FOR LENT: Lent is just around the corner. Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday, with Mass at 9.30am and 7pm. There are 2 free resources which might inspire you to engage with Jesus more deeply during this special season. There are 80 copies of 'Walk with Me' Lenten reflections and 60 copies of a super book called 'Rediscover Jesus' which has 40 short reflections. There are also 30 Walk with Me children's reflection calendars. First come first served. No charge. Donations welcome.

RECONCILIATION SERVICE WITH BISHOP DECLAN: Bishop Declan is coming to the parish on Wednesday 13th March at 7pm to lead a service of reconciliation, inviting us all to celebrate the abundant mercy of God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As well as the bishop, there will be 3-4 other priests available for Confession.

HOMILY SERIES: Fr Matt will be preaching over the next four weeks on the parish prayer. This will be an opportunity to reflect, in this Lenten season, on the need to expand our horizons for the sake of the Gospel and seek to be more intentionally welcoming and missionary as a parish.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed one hour before all weekday Masses during Lent. Please join us for morning prayer twenty minutes before Mass too.

LENT EVENING MASSES: In response to a request for those who work to come to Mass on an evening in Lent, Fr Matt will be offering evening celebrations of Mass in the church during Lent on the following days at 7pm, preceded by an hour's Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00pm and Evening Prayer at 6.45pm. the dates are:

**Friday 15th March; Thursday 21st March; Friday 29th March;
Wednesday 3rd April; Thursday 11th April.**

PREPARATION FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER: A special time of reflection from 10am to 3pm at Emmaus House, Sleep Lane on Saturday 23rd March.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £192.55 (Gift Aid) + £235.12 (Cash) + £197 (S/O) + £94.60 (Average Tax back) = £719.27 Thank you.