



# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS

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SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Sun 8<sup>th</sup> March

9.30am FAMILY MASS (Hazel Hall) (with Year 3)

11.15am SOLEMN MASS (Sarah Morgan)  
(Ronald Whitelaw)



### Hymns at 9.30am Mass

Entrance	468	Holy, holy, holy
Offertory	744	Christ is the world's light
Communion	210	We behold the splendour of God
Recessional	970	Be thou my vision

*This is my Son, the Beloved;  
he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.*

11.15am Solemn Mass Please see special music sheets.

### Celebrating, living and sharing God's word today

	<b>First reading</b> Genesis 12: 1-4 Abram, soon to be renamed Abraham, and his wife Sarah, were smart and prosperous but they had no children. God unexpectedly starts a new relationship with them.	<b>Second reading</b> 2Timothy 1: 8-10 Timothy was a young church leader suffering a crisis of confidence. He gets some encouragement from a senior apostle, who puts his problems in a larger context.	<b>Gospel</b> Matthew 17: 1-9 Early in their following of Jesus, a few disciples get a privileged revelation of who Jesus is and how he fulfills their tradition.
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**CAFOD** Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

### LENT FAMILY FAST DAY 2020

This Lent, CAFOD's Family Fast Day is an opportunity to reach out to some of the poorest, most marginalised of our brothers and sisters.

Your donations go to highly-trained, highly-skilled local experts around the world who save and support the health of the world's poorest families. Sister Consilia is one of these people. She is a nun in an out-of-town health centre in Zimbabwe. Sister Consilia is a trained pharmacist who saves lives each and every day. Without support like yours, her brilliant work just couldn't continue as there wouldn't be enough funding to support it.

But we urgently need your help to fund more local experts like Sister Consilia to reach out to even more people who need treatment, care and love. Will you give to help people like Sister Consilia to continue her life-saving work – helping the health of the world's poorest people? Through CAFOD's global Church family – one of the largest aid networks in the world – your support can reach to the ends of the earth. Please collect your Family Fast Day envelope from church today and give whatever you can to today's second collection. Thank you.

**God of all wholeness, heal our hearts of all that prevents us responding to our sisters and brothers, excluded by poverty and prevented from living a full and healthy life. This Lent, may we: implore justice through our prayer, stand in solidarity through our fasting, and reach out through our giving. Send your life-giving power to revive the weary, restore the broken and renew the face of the earth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ✠ WORSHIP THIS WEEK ✠

Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lent Feria</i> (St. Frances of Rome)	12.00noon Mass (Mohan family thanksgiving) 12.30pm Stations of the Cross
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lent feria</i>	9.15am Mass (Susan Mary Loughron) (with Years 1&2)
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lent feria</i>	9.00am Mass (Fr Alec McGavin)
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lent feria</i>	6.30pm Stations of the Cross 7.00pm Mass (People of the Parish)
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lent feria</i>	7.00am Mass (Florence)
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Lent feria</i>	10.00am Mass (Margaret Smith) 10.30am Adoration & Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
<b>Sun 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	<b>9.30am FAMILY MASS</b> (Stephen, Paul & Noel Cross ) <b>11.15am SOLEMN MASS</b> (Angela Gaffney)

**CORONAVIRUS ADVICE UPDATE** The Archdiocese of Birmingham is following advice on Coronavirus containment as provided by the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, following government and NHS advice. As things stand, it seems to me sensible and proportionate for the welfare of parishioners to temporarily suspend at Mass the Sign of Peace as a handshake (we can still *verbally* exchange greetings of peace of course). Holy Communion will remain available in both kinds (the Host and the Precious Blood), with individuals free to choose, as always, whether to receive from the chalice or not. We do respectfully ask anyone with cold or flu symptoms to refrain from receiving Communion from the chalice and to receive the Host on the hand only. Ministers of the Eucharist have been asked to use sanitising hand gel in the sacristy before Holy Communion. Thank you for your co-operation on this matter. Father Paul

**WELCOME** If you are new to our parish or visiting please make yourself known. You are very welcome.

**YEAR 3 CHILDREN** A very warm welcome to the families of our year 3 children who are meeting in the parish room before the 9.30am Mass today for another session of preparation for First Holy Communion.

**FATHER BOB WRIGHT RIP** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Father Bob Wright who died last Thursday morning. Fr Bob has been parish priest of St. John Fisher parish for 25 years, a 'Coventry kid' and a gentle and generous man. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.*

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY** Following the CAFOD Family Fast Day last Friday there will be a second collection at our Masses today. Envelopes are available at the back of church.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** Mondays of Lent at 12.30pm (following the 12noon Mass) and Thursdays at 6.30pm (before the 7pm Mass).

**ECUMENICAL LENTEN LUNCH** This week's Lenten Lunch will be hosted at Hearsall Baptist church on Tuesday at 12noon. A minimum donation of £3.50 is asked, which will be divided equally between Cafod and Christian Aid. Our thanks go to Jean Keenan and the 'home team' who prepared a very lovely lunch here last week which raised £95.

**GIFT AID FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TABLE IN THE PORCH**

**The PARISH IS PART OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 234216**

W/e 1<sup>ST</sup> March Gift Aid £290.60 Non Gift Aid & Loose £391.93 Total £682.53 CAFOD £12.00 Hardship Fund £10.00

**YEAR 6 CONFIRMATION PREPARATION** On Saturday at 5pm our year 6 children and their parents gather for the next session of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**SATURDAY COFFEE** Do drop into the parish room for a hot drink and cake or bacon batch this Saturday from 10.30am. All are very welcome. Donations for Saturday refreshments will go to support the work of Aid to the Church in Need.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT COURSE: 'DIFFERENCE'** The second of five sessions takes place on Wednesday, 7.30-9pm at Earlsdon Methodist church.

**DEMENTIA PRAYER WEEK 12 - 19 March.** Bishop David McGough invites us to support the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Dementia Prayer Week which begins this Thursday: "Let this Prayer Week become your link to the many families struggling with dementia...Prayer is a very powerful way of connecting with all concerned. Let us pray for, and with, those whose lives have been touched by dementia. In this way we become one with them, and with the Lord."

**ST PATRICK'S DAY IRISH MASS** on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm at St Mary's. Refreshments to follow and music.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY CEILI** Live music, dancing, food and drink with the Innisfail Ceili Band at Christ the King parish centre on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Adults £5, Children £2.50, Family £10 (2 adults + 2 children). Pay on the door only.

**YEAR OF THE WORD RETREAT** Come all who thirst 'A God Who Speaks' event is being organised as a Coventry City wide Retreat @ St Osburg's Coventry on 29/30/31<sup>st</sup> May 2020 (pending interest). Would you like to help organise/serve/cook/attend this event? We need your response now. We are also looking for individuals who would like to form part of a prayer team. Please contact Justine on 07551096269.

**REDEDICATION OF ENGLAND TO MARY** A coach is leaving St. Osburg's church for Walsingham at 6am on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March for the rededication of England as 'Mary's Dowry'. If you would like to go, see the poster in the porch for further details or speak to Anna Toman. We will be marking the rededication here in the parish too.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM** led by Bishop David McGough, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May. Please let Fr Paul know if you are interested.