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The Bartimaeus Project

This week's session is on
Tuesday, 15th March at 7:30pm
Fr Tony will be speaking in
St Theresa's on the subject:

The Word of God:

What is the Bible and how did we get it?

He will explore the origins, formation, transmission and interpretation of the texts that make up the Bible as we have it today. **Please do come along.**

Fr Tony will follow this up on Tuesday 22nd March with a talk entitled, "The Bible in 40 minutes: Rich diversity and some unifying themes".

Each session of the Bartimaeus project is led by a speaker in their parish hall or church, and streamed to other participating parishes, where there will be a chance to discuss the talk afterwards.

People can also participate from home via Zoom.

There is a chance for discussion (and refreshments) after each talk, and to come back to the speaker with and reflections or questions.

More information and online joining details can be found at: bartimaeus-project.org

13th March 2022: Second Sunday of Lent Sunday: Year C, Weekdays: 2nd Week of Lent

Fr Tony Writes:

"Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray."

I am writing this while in the Lake District. There are many things to do here, but for me and for the people I come with, the main objective is to go up mountains. The climb is at times arduous. Sometimes, when about halfway up, with still quite a lot of climbing to do, I question why I am doing this! But there is an exhilaration when we reach the top. Sometimes we are even rewarded with a great view!

The next bit is in some ways more challenging – coming back down. Often this involves descending rough terrain, with our limbs already tired from the climb. But when we reach the bottom, the feeling is usually one of satisfaction, and it is generally the good bits that stick in the mind! It is those memories which draw us back time after time to the mountains.

Lent can be like this. We start with good intentions and maybe some enthusiasm. Perhaps we find it arduous at times, but if we keep going when we come to Easter we have a sense of achievement, a readiness for the feast, and maybe a clearer view on the struggles and challenges of life.

Of course, one difference between climbing a mountain and Lent is that Easter will come whether we make any effort or not! But while it may arrive in the calendar, will we be ready for it?

P.S. There is a bar of Kendal Mint Cake for the first person to correctly tell me which mountain I am on in the picture.



Support the people of Ukraine

Join us in prayer at the Holy Hours on Wednesday evening after Mass and Friday morning from 11am before Mass.

You can also support the people of the Ukraine materially through CAFOD—go to cafod.org.uk

Please pray for:

All who are sick in the parish, especially Andrew Duncan, Ronald Paine, Pietro Addis, Hattie Baker and Jean Ryan. Also those who have died recently, especially Nathalie Soffe, Gillian Booth, those who have been recently bereaved, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.



Beginning Experience
listen.accompany.heal

If you are single again following divorce, separation or the death of your partner, a residential weekend to help you to heal will be held from the 8th - 10th April 2022 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. If you would like more details, please ring Freda 01322 838415 or Maura 07795 498 445 or email: besouthofengland@gmail.com.

Weekly Timetable

Sat 12th March	4:45 - 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	
Sunday 13th March <i>2nd Sunday in Lent</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am Mass, St George's	All Parishioners Peace in Ukraine
Tue 15th March	10am Mass, St George's 7:30pm, St Theresa's—	Bartimaeus Project
Wed 16th March	7:30pm Mass, St Theresa's <i>Adoration to 21:00</i>	
Thu 17th March <i>St Patrick</i>	10am Mass, St George's	
Fri 18th March St Cyril of Jerusalem	<i>Adoration from 11am</i> 12 noon Mass, St Theresa's <i>Followed by soup lunch</i> 7:30pm, St George's—	Stations of the Cross
Sat 19th March <i>St Joseph</i>	10am St Martha's Convent- 4:45 - 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	Retreat Day
Sunday 20th March <i>3rd Sunday in Lent</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am Mass, St George's	

Gift Aid Envelopes for 2022/2023 (St Theresa's)

If you usually get a box of envelopes or have requested these from the parish office, they are now available to be collected from the back of St Theresa's church. The new envelopes start from Sunday 10th April 2022.

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EASTER TRIDUUM RETREAT AT WORTH ABBEY
Maundy Thursday 14th – Easter Sunday 17th April 2022



Celebrate the Easter Triduum as part of a small community at Worth Abbey. Staying in St Bruno's retreat house where we offer a warm welcome, comfortable accommodation and good food. Giving you the opportunity to fully engage with the liturgy which is at the heart of Christian faith.

Led by members of the Worth monastic community
Cost: £330 per person, single occupancy
£315 per person, shared occupancy

Book your place online at www.worth.co.uk, contact us at retreats@worth.org.uk or call us 01342 710318

Stations of the Cross, Thursday & Friday evenings

Alternating between St Theresa's and St George's, Stations will take place at 7:30pm on Friday evenings. This Friday (18/3) will be at St George's. Also, the Zoom prayer group, which meets on Thursday evenings, will be praying the Stations during Lent. Contact the parish office for a link.

Friday Soup Lunches



There will be a simple soup and roll lunch after midday Mass at St Theresa's on Fridays during Lent. There will also be adoration before Mass from 11am. **Volunteers needed to make and serve the soup!**

Family Fast Day

On Family Fast Day last Friday, as part of our Lenten fasting, we were encouraged to eat simply and frugally, and give the money we save to help those who are hungry through poverty or displacement. **You can make your donations via the Second Collection.** CAFOD envelopes will be available for those who wish to Gift-Aid their donation.

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Day Retreat, Saturday 19th March

Last Chance to book! You are warmly invited to a **Lenten Retreat Day**, led by the monks of Worth Abbey based in Brighton, at St Martha's Convent, Rottingdean. 10am – 3pm. Bring your own lunch. Teas and Coffees provided. Donations on the day to St Martha's. Please book your place via brightonmonks@worth.org.uk

Reconciliation Service, Palm Sunday, 10th April

There will be a Reconciliation Service at St George's on Palm Sunday afternoon at 3pm. This takes the form of a short service which includes readings, a short homily and examination of conscience, followed by individual confessions. There will be several priests present to hear confessions.

Holy Week & Easter Sunday, 17th April.



The Triduum (Holy Thursday 8pm, Good Friday 3pm and the Easter Vigil 9pm) this year will once again be held at St Theresa's. This is to allow the Polish community to celebrate their Triduum at St George's. Easter Sunday Masses will be as usual (9:00am at St Theresa's and 11:00am at St George's).