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Phone problems: In the process of getting better and cheaper broadband, our landline has been knocked out of service since Wednesday morning! I hope it will be sorted by the time you read this, but apologies if you have been trying to get in touch.



The Bartimaeus Project

The second session is on
Tuesday, 8th March at 7:30pm
and is entitled:

**'He who hears you hears me':
Handing on God's Revelation.**

This week you will have to join online or go to one of the other locations (Arundel is the closest) as Fr. Tony is away.

Fr. Tony is leading the sessions on 15th and 22nd, so it would be good to have a decent crowd at St Theresa's! In them we will be exploring the Bible: What is it? Where did it come from? How should we read it? What are its great themes?

Each session is led by the 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 will also be able to participate from home via Zoom. More information and online joining details can be found at:

bartimaeus-project.org

6th March 2022: First Sunday of Lent
Sunday: Year C, Weekdays: 1st Week of Lent

Bishop Richard Writes:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The conflict in Ukraine is bringing immense suffering to so many thousands of people and a deep crisis to the world. Our hearts go out to all those who are affected and especially to those who are living with the tragic loss of a loved one.

This conflict demands our action, in a number of ways. As followers of Christ, our first response must always be one of prayer – out of which all else flows. Our prayers are so very necessary: for those caught up in the conflict, for those who have died, families mourning the loss of family members and for those now facing lives scarred by the physical and mental impact of warfare. We must pray also for a fruitful outcome to the diplomatic efforts and negotiations taking place to bring about an end to the conflict.

I shall be leading the Rosary in the Cathedral prior to the Evening Mass on Saturday, after the 6.00pm Mass I shall preside at Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – both times of prayer focussing on prayer for peace in Ukraine. I encourage you to join in these times of prayer, both of which will be livestreamed.

I ask that parishes hold Holy Hours this coming Sunday and, if possible, on each Sunday in Lent,* praying for peace in the world, especially in Ukraine. Please pray for the mission of the Ukrainian Church in this country in all the care and support it gives to the Ukrainian community.

In addition to such times of prayer in our parishes and homes, I ask you to reach out very specially to Ukrainian families in our parish communities, schools and in your locality, all of whom will be especially anxious in these difficult times. There has been much talk nationally about the need to welcome refugees fleeing the war. We have our refugee project already in place and I do urge you to be ready to offer a welcome to those who may arrive in our area in the time ahead.

Let us be committed and resolute in our support and care for our sisters and brothers in these dark days as we respond to the call to be instruments of the peace that is the gift of the Risen Lord.

** We have Holy Hours on Wednesday Evening after Mass from next Wednesday (16/3) and Friday morning from 11am before Mass—so you are encouraged to come to those.*

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 Ronald Paine, Pietro Addis, Hattie Baker and Jean Ryan. Also those who have died recently, especially Gillian Booth, those who have been recently bereaved, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.



Lenten Reflection For Young Adults (18-35)

Sat 12th March
10am-4pm

House of Prayer
East Molesey

Cost: £25

Facilitated by the House of Prayer team, this day will provide a time of quiet reflection during this season of renewal. Based on **Ignatian spirituality**, we will explore prayer and scripture in a new and profound way.

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Weekly Timetable

Saturday 5th March	4:45 - 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	
Sunday 6th March <i>1st Sunday in Lent</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am Mass, St George's	Charles & Melita Muscat All parishioners
Tuesday 8th March <i>St John of God</i>	10am Mass, St George's <i>Followed by Tea & Chat</i>	
Wednesday 9th March <i>St Frances of Rome</i>	7:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	Patricia Weatherseed RIP
Thursday 10th March <i>St John Ogilvie</i>	10am Mass, St George's	
Friday 11th March <i>CAFOD Lenten Fast Day</i>	<i>Adoration from 11am</i> 12noon Mass, St Theresa's <i>Followed by soup lunch</i>	
Saturday 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

Fr Tony is away this week

We are very grateful to Fr Paul Wilkinson, who will be celebrating the Masses with us this week. (Friday it will be Fr Gabriel OSB). Fr Tony is back for next Sunday (13/3).

What am I doing for Lent? Some things happening in the parishes.

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 (11/3) will be at St Theresa'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, 11th March

On Family Fast Day this Friday, as part of our Lenten fasting, we are encouraged to eat simply and frugally, and give the money we save to help those who are hungry through poverty or displacement. CAFOD envelopes will be available for your donations, and will be collected the following weekend.



Day Retreat, Saturday 19th March

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, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil) 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 St Theresa's, 11:00am St George's).