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Second Sunday of Lent – 12/13 March 2022 From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

Matthew 17, 5

CAFODFAMILYFASTDAYDonationsfor family fast day will becollected this weekend by Pam Beyts andDamianPorter.You may alsotextCAFOD10 to 70580.

PARISH LENT WALK FOR HUNGER Saturday 19th March. The families of St Anne's Primary School and Parish community are taking part in the Cafod Walk against Hunger. Starting at 9.30a.m. will he we walking/cycling/being carried from our church in Caversham to St Margaret's in Mapledurham, and back, or however far you can make it. Please join us in this great parish effort to stamp out hunger, featuring much loved music our group! Help sponsoring bv us https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising /walkforhungerStAnnesCaversham. Contact damianrporter@gmail.com or tel 07827302803 for more details.

MAKE YOUR OWN EASTER FLOWER DECORATIONS

Following the success of the Christmas wreath making, an evening making Easter door decorations has been planned. Bring your own flowers of choice and Paul will guide you in making a fabulous decoration. Indulge in a cheeky glass of wine and an evening of fun.

Date: Thurs 31st March; Time: 7.15pm Place: Cenacle; Cost: donation of £25 Message Tina [07753 605 972] to secure a place.



OUR LADY'S LAMP This week's lamp is lit for: Harold Thomas

CONGRATULATIONS

to Fr Jonathan Goodall who was ordained to the sacred priesthood by Cardinal Vincent Nichols this weekend. May Christ, Our Lord, bless him abundantly in his priestly ministry.

EXPOSITION AND STATIONS

On Friday 18th March the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in church from 9am to 6pm. Come and spend some time in prayer before the Lord. If you can commit to being here for half an hour or more, please sign the list at the back of church. **Stations of the Cross** will be led at 12 noon.

SUPPORTING PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

There is information about how you could help on the following links: <u>DEC[Disasters Emergency Committee]</u> <u>Ukraine</u> – this is match funded by the Government up to £20 million <u>Reading Ukrainian Centre</u> <u>Reading Refugee Centre</u>

EASTER FLOWER COLLECTION

The church will be without flowers during Lent but the usual basket for contributions to the Easter flower fund will be available after Masses.

It is always lovely to have flowers again after the simplicity of Lent. Please give what you can.

PARISH INCOME

Feb Contactless Sun. offering: £520.00Feb Contactless Building Fund: £105.00Monthly Standing Orders:£2935.00

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Second Sunday of Lent (Year C – Luke)

Traditionally, the reading of the Transfiguration of Jesus is proclaimed on the Second Sunday of Lent at the Eucharist as part of the Liturgy of the Word. This Christ-event is recorded in three of the Gospels, Mark, Matthew & Luke, and is also mentioned in the Second Letter of Peter. (2 Peter 1:16–18). A total of three Gospels, each giving an account of the event, indicates that the community of the early Church considered this Christ-event of the Transfiguration as very, very significant.

In 2002, Pope John Paul II introduced the Luminous Mysteries in the rosary, which includes the Transfiguration. In the mindset of the present day, it is very attractive to portray the story of Transfiguration from some Sci-Fi movie-channel-type of imagination or from the imagery of Harry Potter fiction. That provides great material for writing fantasy stories for commercial entertainment and literary consumption.

The Transfiguration narrative, however, is not so much about how Jesus was transfigured, the supernatural process that was visually observed. Rather, it is an account of a significant spiritual experience where the three disciples, Peter, James and John, found their awestruck encounter so transforming. These three fishermen, after they left their fishing nets behind to follow Jesus, yet experienced another lifechanging moment, some kind of 'peak experience' on the mountain top. They came to know Jesus in a more profound way. They have been prepared to share this experience when the time comes.

One cannot stay all the time at a peak experiential moment on the mountain. Peter, James and John had to come down from the mountain top.

The journey of following Jesus is not always accompanied by exceptional spiritual 'highs'. What is equally significant, and more important, is persevering fidelity. Any 'transfiguration' in us must come from within. By the power of God's grace, we are invited to co-operate with the Spirit.

https://spiritan.ie/reflections/a-reflection-for-the-second-sunday-oflent-13th-march-2022/

Mass Intentions for Second Week of Lent

First Sunday of Lent		Year C	
Saturday	12 th March	17.30	Bridie O'Sullivan RIP Anniversary Mass Our Lady & St Anne
Sunday	13 th March	10.00	
Monday <i>Monday of the</i> a	14 th March second week of Lent	No Mass	
Tuesday <i>Tuesday of the s</i>	15 th March second week of Lent	No Mass	
Wednesday <i>Wednesday of t</i>	16 th March he second week of Lent	No Mass	
Thursday <i>Feast of St Patr</i>	17 th March rick, Bishop	No Mass	
Commemorat	18 th March ion of St Cyril of hop, Doctor of the Chu	9am – 6pm 12 noon arch	Exposition Stations of the Cross
	19 th March Ash Wednesday	No Mass	
Third Sunday of Lent			Year C
Saturday Sunday	19 th March 20 th March	17.30 10.00	Mrs Anna O'Rourke RIP Keith Durrant RIP
Rosary before Saturday evening Mass			