

Second Sunday of Lent, Year B

24th-25th February 2024

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'



Lent



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

These will be prayed at 12noon on Fridays followed by a soup lunch in the Cenacle.
Everybody welcome.

FRIDAY LENTEN SOUP LUNCHES

A meat free soup with a bread roll will be served after Stations on Fridays. All donations to the SVP.

CHOIR

On Wednesday 21st February the choir will begin rehearsals for Holy Week.

If you would like to join the choir this would be a good time for new members to make themselves known to Clare or Fr Joe.

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Rest In Peace



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Colin Clark and for his family and friends who mourn him. Funeral here in church at 10.30am on Monday 4th March.



Easter Flower Fund

There is a basket out each weekend to donate towards the cost of Easter flowers. Thank you for what you give.

Tea & Coffee After 5.30pm Mass

Stay for a cuppa and a chat after Mass on **Saturday 24th February**.
Everybody welcome.



CTC Champions Holiday Club

29th July - 2nd August, 10am-3pm in St Anne's school. For youngsters 9-11. Bookings now open at <https://buytickets.at/churchestogetherincavershamholidayclub> £27 for a whole week of fun if booked before 1st May.



Tuesday Tea & Coffee



Why not come and have a chat and a cuppa at 9.30am on a Tuesday morning in the Cenacle?

Invite a friend. Everybody welcome.

Dates for your Diary

- 23rd February Family Fast Day
- 9th March CAFOD Big Lent Walk
- 27th March Big Easter Clean
- 31st March Easter Sunday

WEEKLY INCOME 17-18th Feb

C'less:	£	180.00
Loose plate	£	233.93
Candles	£	31.60
Walk With Me books	£	6.40
Weekly S Orders:	£	835.00



Saint Vincent De Paul Society [SVP]



The Saint Vincent De Paul Society will be working with the Weller Centre during Lent. They have asked for support collecting Easter Eggs for under privileged children in our community. Some children don't receive an egg at Easter. Your support will put a smile on many children's faces.

The Saint Vincent De Paul would like to hear from all parishioners in our community who live on their own or are lonely and would like a volunteer to visit on a regular basis for a cup of tea and a chat or a regular phone call. We are here for you and want to support you. Don't be shy you are our priority. Please call Bev Ryan on 07969884212 for more details.



OLSA 200 Club

The 200 Club is a Parish fundraiser. We ask for a £20 contribution for 3 months membership; 30% is returned in prizes & 70% goes to the Building Fund. The draw takes place on the last Sunday of the month after 10am Mass. Renewals are now due for the next quarter, March to May. New members can complete an enrolment form from the notice board in the narthex. All monies need to be paid to the Parish Office by 24th March at the latest or you can set up a Standing Order (please use "<surname>200" as a reference and inform the Parish Office you have done so).



If you are a member, thank you, and if you are not yet a member, please do consider helping your Church in this way.



Fast, pray and give

Cafod Family Fast Day Friday 23rd February: Please return your envelopes that will be collected after both Masses this weekend by Damian Porter and Pam Beyts who will also have the Parish CAFOD Zettle for anybody who wants to donate by card. You may also give at cafod.org.uk/give or you may also text CAFOD to 70460 to donate £10. Please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world.

Cafod Big Lent Walk Saturday 9th March:

Come and join Father Joe and fellow parishioners on this now regular fixture in our parish calendar. This year will be a walking tour with our wider Reading catholic community through our historic churches with hymns and a very short history talk at every stop. All to raise funds for Cafod's Lent campaign for the world's poorest and most marginalised. Gathering from 10.15am in the car park

at Our Lady and St. Anne, after a short talk from Father Joe, prayer and rousing hymn, we will set off for St. James, followed by Reading Abbey, St William of York, Our Lady of Peace and Blessed Dominic Barberi, and ending at Christ the King with a picnic. Total walking time 2 hours but allow 3 hours for stops. You are free to join and leave at any stop. It is a whole lot of fun and does a whole lot of good!



<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/reading-parishes-big-lent-walk>



Trust in the Lord is the theme that links all this week's readings.

As we continue our Lenten journey, we are reminded of the extent of the Lord's love and generosity – if we but listen to his voice and place our trust in him.

In the First Reading we see the depth of Abraham's trust in God as he is asked to sacrifice his beloved son. Abraham's faithfulness is rewarded with more blessings than he could ever have imagined.

In the echoing the story of Abraham and Isaac, St Paul challenges us to recall the immensity of God's love for the world in giving up his Son. With Jesus standing at the right hand of God pleading for us, we can have confidence in placing all our trust in him. In the Gospel, Jesus asks Peter, James and John to trust him, without speaking of the wonder they have witnessed on the mountain top. This week, we pray for the grace to trust and to listen ever more closely to the voice of the Lord, so that we, too, might walk in his presence.

<https://stbeunosoutreach.wordpress.com/2024/02/16/second-sunday-of-lent-year-b-25th-february-2024/>

Mass intentions for Second Week of Lent

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Year B

Saturday	24 th February	5.30pm	People of the parish
Sunday	25 th February	10.00am	Rosa Maria Kingland RIP
Monday	26 th February	9.15am	Linda Colehan RIP
<i>Monday of the second week of Lent</i>			
Tuesday	27 th February	No Mass	
<i>Commemoration of St Gregory of Narek</i>			
Wednesday	28 th February	6.30pm	Waleria Dubaj RIP
<i>Wednesday of the second week of Lent</i>			
Thursday	29 th February	9.15am	Private intention
<i>Thursday of the second week of Lent</i>			
Friday	1 st March	9.15am	Private intention
<i>Feast of St David</i>		<i>[whole school]</i>	

Third Sunday of Lent

Year B

Saturday	2 nd March	5.30pm	Catherine O'Brien RIP
Sunday	3 rd March	10.00am	People of the parish

Please note, all weekend Masses are now booked up to the end of July.

Evening Prayer followed by the rosary is prayed before Sat Mass, approx. 4.45pm. Everybody is welcome.



OUR LADY'S LAMP

Lit this week for:
Arthur & Sara Taylor RIP
Please keep them in your prayers.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Julia Feeney**. They can be contacted at: sg.ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.