

Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham

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Second Sunday of Lent, Year C

15th-16th March 2025



Lent



- **Fridays during Lent** – Stations of the Cross at 12 noon followed by soup lunch.

Could you help by making a soup and setting up before Stations?

Please sign up on the appropriate date.

It would help the caterers if you would sign up to say you are coming.

Clipboard at back of church for both sign ups.

- **Flower collection** – the basket for the flower fund will be out each weekend of Lent. Thank you for your generosity.



- **Big clean** – the big clean to prepare the church for Easter will take place on Mon 14th April.



RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Appella who died recently. Funeral here in church Monday 17th March @11.30am.

May she rest in peace and those who mourn her find comfort.



CAFOD family fast day, Friday 14th March:

Hopefully you were able to take an envelope last week. If not, more are available from the narthex. The idea being that in exchange for a meal or treat you make a donation to CAFOD. Please return your envelopes that will be collected after both masses this weekend by Pam Beyts and Damian Porter. You may also give at cafod.org.uk/give or by texting 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 2025: Thank you thank you thank you for your incredible generosity in raising a staggering £4,016.72 after gift aid. Yet again beating last year's total and yet again topping the national leaderboard. It was a special day for our Reading parish community, led by St Anne's, as we walked, sang, prayed, and got our mini camino stamps, all while bathed in the blessings of Spring sunshine. A huge thank you also to Father Joe for leading such a beautiful jubilee celebration to set us off as Pilgrims of Hope, and for joining the walk. By way of an example of how the funds raised makes such a difference to the world's poorest communities, this total would buy the shade netting and local drought resistant seeds for approximately **800** vegetable gardens, providing a long term, sustainable source of nutrition to the equivalent of a small town. We can be very proud of our community and very proud of our faith.



Sunday 10am Music Group...HELP!

Help! We need somebody

Help! Not just anybody

Help! You know we need someone. Help!

We really need a few more singers and musicians to join us.

No big commitment, you can do all Sundays or just some, not too many rehearsals – one or two a month at most.

(If you feel this just isn't you – then you may know someone who sings or plays and instrument a bit ...

Just drag them (kicking and screaming if necessary) to chat to us after Mass!

200 Club

Good news! It has been decided to increase the prizes for the 200 Club to £50, £30 and £20! Are you a member? Would you like to join us? Details and application forms are on the notice board in the narthex. Please complete and pass to the Parish Office before **23rd March to enrol for the next three months** (March to May) or see one of the stewards for details. Could renewals also be paid by **23rd March please**.

Weekly income 8th/9th March

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| C'less: | £189.00 |
| Loose | £263.27 |
| Candles | £ 76.40 |
| 200 club | £ 20.00 |

Weekly S Orders: £800.00



Volunteer forms

Thank you to everybody who has contacted the office to say that they intend to continue with their volunteer role within the parish.

If you haven't got round to it yet, please inform the office **as soon as possible**. This is for everybody who volunteers, including those who already have a DBS. Even if you have been fulfilling a role for years, please don't assume that you have been included automatically. Fr Joe will be handing out 2 forms for you to complete and sign. These procedures have been directed by the diocesan safeguarding office and Fr Joe is grateful for your co-operation.

Thank you also to those who have already returned their forms to the office. There is space for lots more 😊



Saint Vincent de Paul Society

The SVP would like to hear from all parishioners and relatives in our community who live on their own are in care homes or hospital and would like a volunteer to visit on a regular basis.

A friendly face, for a cup of tea, a chat or a regular phone call.

We are here for you and want to support you.

Please contact Bev on: president B170309@svp.org.uk

The SVP work in the community and closely with other charities to offer support where needed.

Dates for your diary:

- Fridays during Lent - Stations at 12noon followed by soup lunch
- Monday 14th April - Big Clean
- Sun 8th June - 10am First Holy Communion Mass
- Wed 25th June - 6.30pm Confirmation Mass



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Mass intentions for the Second Week of Lent YC

Second Sunday of Lent

Year C

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| Saturday | 15 th March | 4.45pm | <i>Confession</i> |
| | | 5.30pm | Hipolito Rodríguez & Carmen Sarmiento de Rodríguez RIP |
| Sunday | 16 th March | 10.00am | People of the parish |
| Monday | 17 th March | 9.15am | Martin Ward RIP |
| | | 11.30am | Requiem - Margaret Appella |
| Tuesday | 18 th March | No Mass | |
| Wednesday | 19 th March | 6.30pm | Mrs Anna O'Rourke RIP |
| Thursday | 20 th March | 9.15am | Int Sally Robertson & family |
| Friday | 21 st March | 9.15am | Thvgg Our Lady & St Anne |
| | | 12noon | Stations of the Cross followed by soup lunch |

Third Sunday of Lent

Year C

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| Saturday | 22 nd March | 4.30pm | <i>Confession</i> |
| | | 5.30pm | Julia Castro RIP |
| Sunday | 23 rd March | 10.00am | People of the parish |



OUR LADY'S LAMP

Lit this week in memory of

Stanislav & Zenoviga RIP

Please remember them in your prayers.

Evening Prayer
before Saturday

Mass, approx.
4.45pm.

Everybody is welcome.



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.