

ST JOSEPH'S, STONEHOUSE & THE ANNUNCIATION, WOODCHESTER

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SECOND WEEK OF LENT – PSALTER: WEEK 2 – WEEKDAYS OF LENT / ST JOSEPH (19th) *Sunday is a Special Day of Prayer for Candidates for the Sacraments – viz: Easter*

ST JOSEPH'S			THE ANNUNCIATION	
Sun	9.00am	Mass: <i>People of parish</i> Readers: Jenny Pilkington and Jackie Smalley	11.00am	Mass: <i>People of parish</i> - Reader: David Binns
Mon	10.00am	<i>Mary Nolan</i>	5.00pm	Mass: <i>People of parish</i> - Reader: Penny Gear
Tue		No Mass		No Mass
Wed	7.00pm	No Mass	9.15am	<i>Kathy Davies †</i>
Thurs	10.00am	<i>Christine Sweet</i>		No Mass
Fri	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross	9.15am	<i>Sandra Sowls</i>
Sat	10.00am	<i>Anne Sweet †</i>		No Mass

LECTIONARY

Sun	Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18	Psalm 26(27): 1, 7-9, 13-14	Philippians 3: 17- 4:1	Luke 9:28-36
Mon	Daniel 9:4-10	Psalm 78(79): 8-13		Luke 6: 36-38
Tues	2 Samuel 7: 4-5, 12-14, 16	Psalm 88(89): 2-5, 27, 29	Romans 4: 13, 16-18, 22	Mt 1: 16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2:41-51
Wed	Jeremiah 18: 18-20	Psalm 39(31): 5-6, 14-16		Matthew 20: 17-28
Thurs	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Psalm 1:1-4, 6		Luke 16: 19-31
Fri	Genesis 37: 3-4, 12-13, 17-28	Psalm 104(105): 16-21		Matthew 21: 33-46
Sat	Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20	Psalm 102(103): 1-4, 9-12		Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT ST JOSEPH'S

Pam Weston, Mike Gibbons and Olga, Julie Wood, Elizabeth Carr, Mary Evans, Rosemary Mabud,
Aine Anderson, Maggie & Merv, Mary Scully

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Mary Bedford, Hannah Ford, John Stuttle, Vincent Lane, Edith Mason, James Tole, Florence Stevens

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AT THE ANNUNCIATION

Fr. Richard Finn O.P. and family, Maureen Gannon, Rebekah Hollingshead, Brendon Conboy, Della Cox,
Jo Heffernan, Barry Norris, Cynthia Stevens, Peggy Chapman, Tony Coupe, Agnes Hutchinson, Fr. Michael Davies,
Joan Berner, Barry Taylor, John Presland, Annie Norris, Tony Thompson

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED ABOUT THIS TIME

Topy Coupe, Angus Kerr, Hannah Ford, Elizabeth Embling, Mother Francis Barry, Agnes (Paddy) Ratcliffe, Francesca Talbot,
Sr. Agnes Pash.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected

DIOCESAN PRAYER LINK

Downside: Abbey Church, Stratton-on-the-Fosse, St Benedict

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at St Joseph's (from 10.30-11.00) after the Saturday morning Mass For The Annunciation, please enquire

Stations of the Cross are on Friday at 7.00pm at St Joseph's

"Lent is a time for remembering. It is a time to reflect and ask ourselves what we would be if God had closed his doors on us. What would we be without his mercy that never tires of forgiving us and always gives us the chance to begin anew? Lent is the time to ask ourselves where we would be without the help of so many people who in a thousand quiet ways have given us hope and enabled us to make a new beginning?"

Pope Francis: Homily for Ash Wednesday 2017

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IN GENERAL

LENT FAST DAY

Please remember your envelopes to return a.s.a.p.

FIRST COMMUNION

Meet today at 3.00pm in the Hall at St Joseph's for "Giving Thanks"

STROUD FOODBANK CHANGE IN HOURS

Please also see latest list of requirements on noticeboard.

INCLUSION FOR ALL

Bishop Declan wishes to express pastoral care and concern for our Catholic LGBT+ community and so has asked St Nicholas of Tolentino Church (Lawford's Gate, Bristol BS5 0RE) to celebrate a series of Masses for this community and their friends and family and all who wish to take part. The intention is not to isolate, but rather to ensure a warm welcome and to integrate this community into Church. The first Mass launching this ministry will be next Sunday March 17th at 3.00pm - all are welcome.

DEANERY RECONCILIATION SERVICE

The Lenten Reconciliation Service for the Deanery takes place at The Immaculate Conception, Beeches Green at 7.00pm on Tuesday 2nd April.

ST JOSEPH'S

PSALMS HALF-TERM SPORTS CAMP

2 days of sporty fun and games for children in school years 4-6. Exploring the character of Moses and his perseverance and trust in God. May 29th and 30th, 10am-3pm at Stonehouse Sports Centre £5 per child (includes lunch) Book online at psalms.uk.net/booking or by using the flyer PSALMS are running this in partnership with the Stonehouse Churches and are in need of adults to come and help in various capacities with the event. We are also wanting to provide a nutritious lunch for the children. If you are able to provide lunch or help in any other way please contact Emily. Emily.twigg@psalms.uk.net

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday at 7.00pm

PASTORAL TEAM

Next meeting is at St. Joseph's on 28th March at 4pm.

ATTENTION ALL APF RED BOX HOLDERS

"It is now nearly the end of the first quarter so I would be grateful if you could bring your red boxes into the church porch so I can bank the money for the APF Missions.

Also, please take the latest copy of 'Mission Today' which is in the Church Porch. Please feel free to contact me on any matter connected with the Red Boxes, particularly if you would like to become a Red Box Holder. My contact details are: phone 07758250947, email bren.turbitt@btinternet.com Many thanks" *Brendan Turbitt.*

PARISH FORUM

This Sunday, 17th at 10:15 a.m. in the Hall. There are lots of reports,

thank you for submitting them.

All Welcome. Please send Agenda items, and proposals for Covenant with the Poor to rtonyryan@gmail.com by 09/03/19, or hard copy to Father Bill or Tony Ryan

LENT LUNCHES

With the kind permission of Fr. Bill and with thanks to Mick for sorting the hall bookings, again this year we will be hosting Lent Lunches. Penny has once again produced a colourful poster, please take and display if you have a suitable place. Starting this Friday 8 March from 12 - 1pm. Please support, as all monies this year will go to the *Beresford Group* who run the *Women's Refuge in Stroud* and are badly in need of funds to continue their valuable work.

CAFOD AND THE GARDEN

"I have sent off £200 to CAFOD. to be used for their South Sudan appeal. With very grateful thanks for all who have given money to me or anonymously put money in the CAFOD. box. Unfortunately because of advancing years, my husband has had to cut down on the amount of productive garden and consequently there has not been so much fruit and vegetables for sale this year. Thanks also to anyone who has donated their own items - every little helps!"

Joan Franklin

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION at ST JOSEPH'S

(Please note that the words differ from those overleaf)



HYMNS

312	Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise
450	My God Accept my Heart this Day
415	Lord Jesus Think on Me
71	Be Thou my Vision

THE ANNUNCIATION

THE JESSE TREE

Thanks to the children of class 3, we have a Jesse Tree in front of the altar. You will find some "hands" and pencils for your own prayer to hang on the tree.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Thank you for offers to help.

We are thrilled to see so many children at the 11am Mass. We recognise that these young people are our future and we wish to value and encourage them. To this end we wish to set up a children's liturgy in the Leigh room, where we can better cater for their needs. If you are interested in getting involved in this exciting initiative Fr. Bill or Deacon Bogdan would love to hear from you as soon as possible so that we can begin planning. Thank you.

CAFOD – 'NO ONE BEYOND REACH'

- Our fundraising is now going to a new 3 year 'Hands On' project in Colombia. Have a look at our display boards at the back of the church, where you can learn more about where our money is going.
- *Pyramid Collecting Boxes* are available during Lent- Please take one and pop in any spare change, or proceeds from your 'Giving up for Lent'. Bring back to Mass at Easter.

REDUCING FOOD WASTE AND FUNDING CAFOD

If you occasionally buy too much food, perhaps you would consider bringing unwanted (but still OK to use) items to Church to leave on the table at the back. Others could take and use this in return for a small donation for our new CAFOD project. Please see the display on the notice board at the back of the Church.

HYMNS

312	Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise
69	Be Still for the Presence of the Lord
420	Lord, the Light of your Love is Shining

Item for the Bulletin? You can send items for the bulletin (by the Wednesday) to stjos.stonehouse@googlemail.com or post them through the presbytery letterbox. For The Annunciation, email: stjos.stonehouse@googlemail.com or post in the church letterbox (by front gate) or leave a message on 01453 832120