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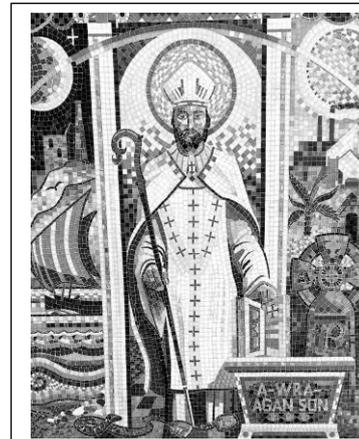
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21st February – 1st March 2026 First Week of Lent

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
Sat 21 st Sun 22 nd	<p style="text-align: center;">Readings: Genesis 2:7-9.3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11.</p> <p>6.00pm: Vigil Mass (Int: The Parish)</p> <p>8.30am: Mass</p> <p>10.30am: Mass</p> <p>3.00pm: Holy Hour – Some ways to pray with Scripture</p>
Mon 23 rd	Readings: Leviticus 19:1-2.11-18; Matthew 25:31-46.
Tues 24 th	Readings: Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15.
Wed 25 th	<p style="text-align: center;">Readings: Job 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32.</p> <p>6.00pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Adoration</p> <p>6.30pm: Mass</p>
Thurs 26 th	<p style="text-align: center;">Readings: Ester 4:17; Matthew 7:7-12.</p> <p>11.15am: Rosary</p> <p>12noon: Mass</p>
Fri 27 th	<p style="text-align: center;">Readings: Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26.</p> <p>10.10am: Morning Prayer</p> <p>10.30am: Mass</p>
Sat 28 th	Readings: Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	
Sat 28 th Sun 1 st March	<p style="text-align: center;">Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9</p> <p>6.00pm: Mass</p> <p>8.30am: Mass (Int: The Parish)</p> <p>10.30am: Mass</p> <p>3.00pm: Holy Hour – Stations of the Cross</p>

Church Opening: Our Church is open at least 30 minutes before services for prayer.

Confessions: Saturdays at 5.15pm and on request.

THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

1st Sunday of Lent Psalm Response: Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory. One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. Praise to you....

Gospel Reflection: 'Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry'. (Matt 4:1)

Lent recalls those forty days Jesus spent in the desert. He was tempted in a variety of ways, but through his trust in God, he overcame the tempter. We too have to face temptations, but through God's grace and the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we too can prevail. And when we fail? Then there is all the more reason to turn to the Lord, who will never abandon us.

Further Reflection: What temptations do I face?

What helps / hinders me to overcome temptations?

What can I do this Lent to strengthen me to face my temptations?

Sunday 3-4pm. Lenten Holy Hour - Some ways to pray with Scripture: In our first Holy Hour, Fr Paul will share some thoughts on how Scripture draws us closer to God with the opportunity to try some out!

Tuesday 24th February. Lent Study Group: Organised by Par Churches Together. See poster for details.

Wednesday 25th February 7.00pm. Zoom Lent Group: A series of talks organised by Fr Mark Skelton. This week is Parable of the Sower. To access, the Meeting ID is 895 7188 9251 and Password 125755.

Thursday 26th February 6.00pm at Cuthbert Mayne Church, Launceston. Lenten Station Mass for Cornwall deanery: Bishop Nicholas will preside and everyone is invited to join us.

Friday. CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day: Spend time in prayer and fasting for those less fortunate than us. And, if you can, make a donation either at our weekend Masses following the Fast Day, or via cafod.org.uk Through this one simple act, we engage in all three 'Lenten Works'.

Next Weekend: We are all CALLED TO SERVE....

OTHER EVENTS AND INFORMATION

Friday 6th March. World Day of Prayer 2026: This global ecumenical event will be celebrated locally at 11.30am and 6.30pm at St Paul's, Charlestown and at 2.00pm at St Andrew's, Mevagissey.

14th March at Buckfast Abbey. Inspire: For all young people aged 12-24. A festival of musicians, speakers and workshops. Tickets £30. Contact Saskia or Ruby: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

20th – 22nd March at Torquay. Gather Conference: A weekend of faith, formation and friendship. See poster in the Narthex for more information or email plymouthgather@yahoo.co.uk

2nd May at Thomas Hardy School Dorchester. Stay Awake 2026: A day of music, worship and talks for people of all ages. See poster for more details or contact stayawakejc.com

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING...

Collin Collar, Jacque Davies, Judith Larham, Helen Ledwidge, John Ballard, Helen Gardner, Sally Tab, Brendan Bowe, Brian Byrne, Anne Day, Marian Rolfe, Peter Houlihan, Yvonne Bradbury, Angela Falvey, Jenny, Lyn Whittington, Catherine Simpson, Kay Pearce, Hilary Illsley, Catherine Venture, Joseph Poole, Teiaia Bradbury, Teresita Hill, Jesus Mauri-Oria, Sharon Noy, James & Margaret Clapp, Carmen Matthews, Gerry & Daniel Good, Suzi Hill, Teresa Fooks, George Phillips, Judith Pollard, Thalia Gaudiano.