

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The Scriptures are one continual lesson of humility; they teach it in all sorts of ways, by means of the incidents narrated, by the style, by the very words.

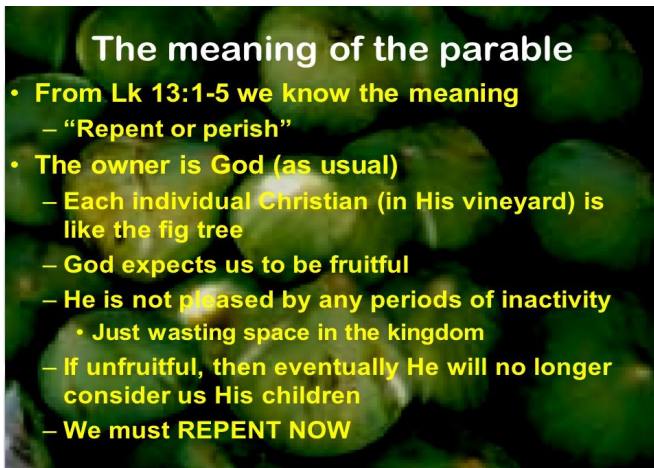
Blessed Antonio Rosmini

Next Week's Gospel Reading Third Sunday of Lent

Luke 13:1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"



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Week starting 16th March **Second Sunday of Lent**

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £

Please Note: there will be no Mass in the Church on Tuesday 19th March, as we have Mass at English Martyrs at 7pm to celebrate the end of the Deanery Visitation. All welcome to attend.

Parish Shop – St. Patrick's Day cards and Mothering Sunday cards available in the Coach House after Sunday morning Mass.

APF / Red Boxes – Would all promoters please collect their envelopes from the porch and return the collected money by Sunday 24th March. Thank you.

UCM Mass Monday 25th March at 10am, followed by a meeting in the Coach house where our guest speaker is Linda Hartley who will talk to us about "Three small miracles". A warm welcome to ladies in the Parish to join us for this hour after Mass.

Gift Aid - The envelopes for the next tax year beginning in April are now in the porch for collection. Would all existing Gift Aid contributors please pick up their respective envelopes for use from the 6th April onward. Anyone interested in joining the Gift Aid Scheme can contact the Parish Administrator, Michael Borg on 811732 or email at michaelwba18@gmail.com. *Please be careful when you pick up your envelopes as the packaging isn't very sturdy!*

Stations of the cross at 7pm on Friday evening.

Date for your Diary - Parish Day of Reflection will be on Saturday, 4th May at Ratcliffe College and will be led by Father Chris Fuse, the Provincial Superior. Everyone extremely welcome, shared table and shared transport. Theme and timings to follow.

St. Marie's 500 Club - The winning numbers for the March draw are 1.) No 188 @ £30. 2.) No 49 @ £20. 3.) No 131 @ £10. Congratulations to the winners. Cheques in the post. Thank you all for your continued support. Any queries or if you would like to join in time for the April draw telephone Elizabeth on 816285.

Lenten Collection for Aid to the Church in Need: As part of our own preparation for Easter, we hope to support this charity again by having a collection running throughout Lent. There is a large box at the back of the church for any spare coins you could add, at any time. It will be cleared regularly of course. Please try to help those Christians world wide who are suffering persecution and a real lack of resources of all kinds. Every penny is valued. Thank you!

Lenten Talks – The second of the five video talks from Bishop Robert Barron with evening Prayer in the Church will be held this **Wednesday (20th) at 6pm**. The title is 'Seven Deadly Sins & Seven Lively Virtues'. All welcome! Dates of the following talks are:

Wed 27th March at 6pm: Sainthood, Sanctity And What Makes us Holy

Wed 3rd April at 6pm: Living As The Image of God: created for Joy & Love

Wed 10th April at 6pm: Reason & Faith

A Very Warm Welcome to St. Marie's!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy & introduce yourself.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Halls after weekday or Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office opens from 09.10am – 12.40pm, Wednesday to Friday

IN THE PARISH continued...

Walk with me booklets - with Lenten reflections are available in the church. A donation of £1 is appreciated.

Sales of electrical goods at Rugby Life Charity Shop are going so well, thanks to the efforts of our lovely Portable Appliance Test volunteer, Stephen Crisp, that we urgently need more! We are grateful for any electrical items you can donate, such as radios, lamps etc - essentially, anything that works with a plug and a CE mark on it. WE CAN COLLECT. With thanks as always to our donors and customers and a BIG SHOUT OUT OF THANKS TO OUR AMAAAZIING VOLUNTEERS lifecharity.org.uk and on Facebook: Life Charity Shop Rugby

Every Life Matters - a talk by Life Charity. Saturday 23rd March, arrivals from 10:30am. The Grimshaw Room, St. Chad's Cathedral B4 6EY. Cost – suggested donation of £5 (all monies will be given to Life Charity). For more info call 0121 475 1227 / 07767 457625.

Revive Lent Lunches 12noon – 1pm These simple lunches will consist of soup, bread & cheese and a coffee or tea. There will then be a short address by the minister or representative of the church hosting the meal. Each week the lunch will be hosted by a different church in Rugby (see below for details). A donation of £3 is requested, which will be distributed between Christian Aid and CAFOD.

20th March – Rugby Baptist Church, John Lees Hall, Regent Place.

27th March – St. Marie's Rugby, Hibbert's Hall.

3rd April – Rugby Methodist Church, Russelsheim Way.

10th April – United Reformed Church, Hillmorton Road.

The English Way- Walking Pilgrimage - Walking Pilgrimage for young men aged 18-30, Ferrol to Santiago de Compostela, Spain. 3rd to 10th July 2019 with Fr. Michael Dolman and Fr. Julian Green.

For all enquires and bookings call Fr. Green on 01782782121 or email- pp.partnershipparish@gmail.com

Redeeming Our Communities – the first prayer meeting for those who work with children and young people will be on Monday 25th March at Harris School, 7-8.30pm, and will have a particular emphasis on prayer for those in the education sector of our town.

Hibbert's Kitchen Sunday Lunch – The next date will be 28th April from 12:30pm-2pm. To book your place, please call 07596265871. All welcome. £10 per person for two courses. Fully licenced bar.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

16th - 23rd March 2019

SATURDAY 16th March - Vigil for Second Sunday of Lent
Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Jack and Maura Massey R.I.P.

SUNDAY 17th March – Second Sunday of Lent

Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.

Mass at 10 a.m. for Den Harries R.I.P. & Private Intentions of Angela Harries

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Deceased Members of O'Driscoll Family

MONDAY 18th March

Mass at 10 a.m. for Rosemary Tiernan R.I.P.

Oratory Mass for Margaret Carey R.I.P.

Adoration 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. in the church. (Morning Prayer at 8:50 a.m.)

Mass at 7.00 p.m. for Andre Couloute R.I.P.

TUESDAY 19th March – Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

No Mass in Church today (Mass at English Martyrs at 7pm)

WEDNESDAY 20th March

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Eileen Deery R.I.P.

Lenten Reflection in Church - 6-7pm

THURSDAY 21st March

Mass at 10 a.m. for John O'Connor R.I.P.

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

FRIDAY 22nd March

Mass at 10 a.m. for the Intentions of William Hearne

Stations of the Cross 7 p.m.

SATURDAY 23rd March

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Confessions 10 to 11 a.m.

† PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: †

Tom Donnelly, Derek Larkin, Sharon Colleran, Rachel Mears, Baby Freddie Fereday, Elsie Johnson, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Sofia Roman Garcia, Hattie Taylor, Pat & Breda Mulvey, Pippy Bilsland, Lenny & Marie Niner, Val Muir, Peter Derek Duerden, Ann Tyagi

† RECENTLY DIED †

Patrick Dennis Hamill

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Andre Couloute, Eileen Deery, Molly Boulton, William Roy Williams, Gloria Barrett, Helena Rudnicki, Janet Doyle.