

# Diocese of Arundel and Brighton

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## Newsletter of Catholic Parish of St. John the Evangelist Tadworth

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**Parish Office: The Parish Office is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am – 2.00pm.**

### 20<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021

#### First Sunday in Lent

<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	6.00pm	Sister Teresa Barry Intentions
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Georgina Kerrigan RIP Anniversary
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	9.15am	Valerian Tavaris RIP
<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15am	Deceased members of the Wilkinson and O'Connell Families
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	12.00noon	Funeral: Valerian Tavaris (Private Mass)
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15am	Inez Hutton RIP
	9.45am	Stations of the Cross

#### Second Sunday in Lent

<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	9.45 - 11.45am	FHC Confessions (Lady Chapel)
	2.00 – 4.00pm	FHC Confessions (Lady Chapel)
	6.00pm	Peggy O'Connor RIP
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	8.30am	Irene McMahon RIP
	10.30am	People of the Parish

**Confessions:** Saturdays 10.00am – 11.00am and 4.30pm – 5.30pm.

On request after weekday and Sunday Masses. CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD IN THE SACRISTY

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Wednesdays 9.45am – 10.15am

## Dear Parishioners

We are the adoptive children of God who look trustfully to our Father for everything; that is why we say: give us this day our daily bread.

We do recognise that our life (physical and spiritual) is the gift of God our Father. We ask him with filial trust, imitating Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son and our Redeemer, for what is necessary for the daily existence. We ask for what our body needs by co-operating with our Father's providence. Such a filial prayer liberates us from nagging worry and preoccupation (see Matthew 6:25-34).

We also ask our Father for what is necessary for the life of our soul on our way towards our lasting and full happiness: the Bread of Life, the Body of Christ which is the medicine of immortality and without which we have no life within us (see John 6:51).

Humility directs us to God's name, meekness to his kingdom, penance to his will. Consequently, if it is fortitude whereby blessed are they that hunger, let us pray that our daily bread be given to us and that we may know and understand the value of this gift in our daily life towards our lasting and full happiness in our Father's house.

Holy Spirit grant me the gift of fortitude, so that I may overcome courageously all the assaults of the devil, and all the dangers of this world which threaten the salvation of my soul (St Alphonsus Liguori).

With my prayers

*Fr. Stanislaw*

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday during Lent at 9.45am. A prayer sheet can be downloaded from our website.

**Please pray for:** The repose of the soul of Rita Clarke who died recently.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be given to our First Holy Communion candidates next Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, at two separate sessions in the morning and afternoon. Please keep them in your prayers at this special time.

## Diocese Mission - Invited. Lent 2021:

The first film premieres on the Diocesan Website at 7.00pm on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February and will be available for you to watch for the whole of Lent.

**The first week of our mission is about God's amazing love for us.** Episode One will be shared on our website on Monday. In this week's episode David Wells, will explore how important we are to God, and how much he treasures each and every one of us. Suzy Duxbury shares her experience of transformation, moving from a place where she was unaware of God's love, to her current situation singing his praises with her Gospel choir! This first episode provides time for reflection - so make sure you have a journal or notebook to hand. Head to [www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited) to find out more.

## Second collection next week: CAFOD

CAFOD Lent Appeal: Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. Donate online at [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent) or by using a CAFOD envelope. You can also give via text. Text LENT to 70460 to donate £10\*.

## Lenten Prayer

Lord God,

With all our hearts we beseech you: have mercy on your people; spare your people; strengthen all people in the struggle against the havoc of this pandemic. Lord our God, without you we are so weak and our courage so limited. Give us your strength; give us your love; give us wisdom and skill to continue this fight. Spare your people, O Lord we pray. Comfort those who mourn and gather into your kingdom all who have died. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, who died and rose to life, who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever. Amen.

**John Fisher School Vacancy:** For maternity cover for a School Business Manager. Please visit the school website [www.johnfisherschool.org](http://www.johnfisherschool.org) for more information.