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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.

6th – 14th March 2021 Third Sunday in Lent

Saturday 6th	6.00pm	France Darroll RIP
Sunday 7th	8.30am	Susan Colairo RIP
	10.30am	People of the Parish
Tuesday 9th	9.15am	Fr. Paul Saunders RIP
Wednesday 10th	9.15am	Kazimiera Pilsak RIP
Friday 12th	9.15am	Mike Morley RIP
	9.45am	Stations of the Cross

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Saturday 13th	6.00pm	Bill Boyd RIP
Sunday 14th	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Sean Quinn RIP

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

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Dear Parishioners

Jesus in today's Gospel cleanses the house of his Father (John 2:16). The whole scene reminds us of the petitions when we say "forgive us our trespasses" and "lead us not into temptation / do not let us fall into temptation" because it is, firstly, sin which directly excludes us from God's kingdom and, secondly, temptation which hinders us from keeping God's will.

The Holy Spirit makes us discern between trials, which are necessary for our spiritual growth, and temptations, which lead to sin and death (James 1:14-15). We must also discern between being tempted and consenting to temptation. We need prayer (personal and communal, see Luke 22: 32; 45), the right knowledge of ourselves (our disordered and intense inclinations, desires and attachments: "having / appearing", "enjoying / pleasing", "domination / admiration"; 1 John 2:16-17), a decision of heart (to be led by the Holy Spirit) and vigilance in which Christ unites us to his battle and agony.

If it is understanding whereby blessed are the pure in heart, let us pray lest we have a double heart by seeking after worldly things which are the occasion of our temptations (St Augustine).

Father, I know that I need trials so that my nature can be purified. When you decide to send me these trials, when you give evil some room to manoeuvre, as you did with Job, then please remember that my strength goes only so far. Don't overestimate my capacity. Don't set too wide the boundaries within which I may be tempted and be close to me with your protecting hand when it becomes too much for me (Pope Benedict XVI).

You can find a copy of St. Thomas Aquinas' commentary on the Gospel on our website.

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.

Novena to St. Joseph 10th – 18th March: Please join the Novena by reading the short reflection for each day and saying the Novena prayer to St. Joseph. The Novena booklet can be downloaded from our website.

Diocese Mission – Invited. Lent 2021:

The weekly Thursday conversation groups are now fully booked but the Monday videos can be viewed via the website www.abdiocese.org.uk

Readers for Holy Week Services: Please let the Parish Secretary know if you will be available to read at any of the services from Palm Sunday through to Easter Sunday.

Online Retreats: The Open Cloister at Worth Abbey led by Michael Woodward (member of the Lay Community of St Benedict).

12th-14th March - Romero and the Salvadorian Martyrs: Along with St Romero, we will look at his friend, Rutilio Grande, the four US Churchwomen, the UCA Jesuits & the hundreds of lesser known Salvadorans who died from 1977-1992.

26th-28th March (Palm Sunday weekend) – The Holy Shroud: Gospel beyond Words - What the Shroud Tells Us.

Book your place on line at:

<https://worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats>

Further information from toc@worth.co.uk

Easter Retreat:

Join the Wellspring Community, Monks of Worth Abbey, and young people from across the country in this interactive online retreat over the Easter Triduum. With a mixture of prayer, small groups and talks, there is a great opportunity to journey with others deeper into the mystery of Easter, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We have created the timetable in such a way that you should be able to attend the liturgies in your local church and if this is not possible, we will offer guidance in how to create a prayerful liturgy at home. Should one of the sessions clash with your local liturgy you will have access later so you can catch up.

Plenty of space will be given to allow for deep reflection and personal journeying with God.

<http://www.wellspringbrighton.org.uk/the-virtual-easter-retreat/>

Here is the facebook link for the retreat:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/3623733677740460/>

Heaven's Road Catholic Online Radio: is an online radio broadcasting features like prayers, interviews and music to appeal to a Catholic audience – they also have many podcasts and broadcast over 40 daily live Masses from 15 churches in England and Ireland from their website www.heavensroadfm.com.

Catholic Universe and Catholic Times

newspapers: At the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go

to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call them on 0161 820 5722 and they will arrange for you.

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Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;

in you Mary placed her trust;

with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil.

