

#### From Sunday's Gospel

Jesus went to Jerusalem to celebrate the very special feast of Passover. He went into the Temple where he saw people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons and other people changing money for the pilgrims. So Jesus made a whip out of some cord and he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle, sheep and pigeons as well. Then he knocked over the money changers'

tables scattering the coins and he said to the pigeon sellers, "Take all of this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market." And the disciples remembered the words of scripture, 'Zeal for your house will devour me.'



Pope Francis writes:

"Dear young people, may you always live the faith with enthusiasm." Jesus was a very enthusiastic person, he was

passionate for people to worship God in a true and worthy way, so when he saw people more concerned about money than worship he cleared both animals and people out of the Temple. As we come to the midpoint in Lent we might ask ourselves if we are enthusiastic about our relationship with God and is there anything we need to clear out of our lives which comes between God and ourselves?

<u>Ministers</u>	March 4th
Liturgy of the Word	Liturgy of the Eucharist
6.00pm M.Jefferis	S.Dyson/T.Spalding
8.30am E.Davies	S.Crewdson/M.Booth
10.00am FFF Family	C.Ward/K.McKune
	March 11th
6.00pm K.Stokes	S.Dyson/T.Spalding
8.30am M.Jefferis	S.Crewdson/M.Booth
10.00am J.Sheard	M.Kehoe/M.Farmer

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

First: £442.89 Second: £183.03 Shop £242.78 Thank You Donation in memory of Jean Hanesworth £160.00 Thank You

Votive Candles £48.90 Thank You

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# Sacred Heart & St. William

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# Third Sunday of Lent March 4th 2018 (Mark's Gospel)

#### **Times of Masses & Intentions**

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm
Sunday	8.30am
	10.00am
	4.00pm
Monday	9.30am
Tuesday	9.30am
Wednesday	12.00 noon
Thursday	10.00 am
Friday	9.30am
Saturday	10.00am
Saturday Vigil	6.00pm
Sunday	8.30am
	10.00am
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Elaine Partington People of the Parish Winifred & Derek Kerr **No FFF Meeting today Stations of the Cross** Catherine Anne Baker (Recovery) Special Intention (MT) Lawrence Hayden & Dr Peter Morris **Requiem Mass for Susan Drummond** Harry Heaton Judith Stockton (Special Intention) Tara Dyson People of the Parish Terry Collins

Confessions: After the 10.00am Mass on Saturday and on request Exposition: 40 minutes before Mass each weekday When there is A Service of the Word & Holy Communion there is NO Exposition

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## THE WEATHER HAS STRUCK!

#### **Family Faith Formation**

The next meeting due to take place this Sunday after the 10.00am Mass has been **CANCELLED** due to the weather. We will fix a meeting after Easter to take its place. Also **CANCELLED** 

is the **Faith and Fun Walk** through Uppermill planned for Next Saturday, March 10th. The forecast for next weekend is not good and so it seemed wise to cancel the walk and to find a date between Easter and Pentecost. Please note that next Saturday, March 10th, the **Vigil Mass will be at the normal time of 6.00pm.** Thank

you for your understanding and patience with all these cancellations!



<u>Churches Together in Saddleworth Lent Course</u> <u>40 stories of Hope</u>how faith changed Prisoners' lives

The next meeting will take place in the Parish Centre on **Thurs**day March 8th **7.30pm - 9.00pm**. We will look at Week 2,

reading Chapters 4-6 of Mark's Gospel on the night, i.e. what we would have done last Thursday. Refreshments will be available from 7.15pm.



## CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day Envelopes

Please return your envelope and leave it in the basket at the back of church or put it with the collection. All donations doubled by the Government through UK Aid Thank You



The Very Popular Annual Quiz Night for CAFOD will be held **NEXT FRIDAY 9th MARCH 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre. Tickets are still available from Susan, Anne & Claire ALSO

## AN EVENING OF SONG

to raise funds for CAFOD projects to

improve nutrition in Zimbabwe, Eritrea and Zambia.

All proceeds will be doubled by the government though UK Aid,

Friday March 16<sup>th</sup> 7.30, St Edward's upstairs hall, bar and nibbles.



#### Thought for the week

If you can't feed a hundred people then just feed one.

## Adoremus—Eucharistic Congress 7-9th

## September 2018



There are copies of the each day's events at the back of the church. Numbers for each diocese are VERY limited. Our parish has been allocated 5 places for the Saturday. If you are interested in taking part please see Fr Bernard or Deacon Peter. Two people have already shown an interest.



#### Petition concerning the situation in Syria

Many of us will have seen the desperate situation of people living in Syria despite the promised ceasefire to allow in humanitarian aid. If you feel able and willing please sign a petition to Debbie Abrahams which reads: *We, parishioners of Sacred Heart & St William* 

Catholic Parish in Uppermill, are extremely concerned about the continuing situation in Syria where so many people are living in inhumane conditions, a situation which is totally unacceptable. We request you as our local MP to do all you, and indeed your party, can, to put pressure on the Prime Minister, Foreign Secretary, Cabinet, Government and UN Envoy to achieve, as a matter of urgency, a just and peaceful resolution so that all the citizens of Syria can live in peace.



#### Individually Guided Retreat — April 22nd-27th 2018

St Augustine's Priory—House of Prayer Old Colwyn There are still a few places available for this SILENT RETREAT information/booking leaflets at the back of the church. If you are interested please take a leaflet and return it to Fr Bernard.



Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

6th-13th June 2018 All welcome. **£619 per person sharing** For further information please contact Mary on 01457 810189/ 0774951883 E-mail: mickandmaryfarmer@btinternet.com



### FAIRTRADE EASTER EGGS

Please place your order as soon as possible using the list at the back of the church for the Fairly traded Easter Egg and the wonderful story of Easter.