

### From Sunday's Gospel

Peter, James and John went with Jesus to pray on a mountain top. While they were there, Jesus was transformed. His face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly, Moses and Elijah, the great teacher and the great prophet of the Old Testament, appeared and were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus, "Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here." Then a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him." When they heard this the disciples were afraid, but Jesus said, "Stand up and do not be afraid."



Pope Francis writes, "My dear young people, with God we can do great things. Jesus is always ready to encourage and support us." Today's word is **Encourage-**

**ment.** There are times when we all need encouraging, that is to be inspired with courage and to have our hope renewed, especially when we are going through difficult times. If, like the disciples this Sunday, we too listen to Jesus, we will experience the encouragement that God offers freely to us. How are we going to encourage someone else this week?

#### Ministers

#### March 8th

##### Liturgy of the Word

6.00pm K.Stokes  
8.30am E.Davies  
10.00am J.Sheard

##### Liturgy of the Eucharist

Suspended until further notice

#### March 15th

6.00pm P.Redshaw  
8.30am M.Crewdson  
10.00am M.Howell

Suspended until further notice

***New Rotas at the back of the church. New Readers and changes to Ministers.***

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

First: £392:00 Second: £158.79 Shop £183.13 Votives: £56.30 Thank You  
"A" Team: £150:00. BT Sport reimbursement: £102:96 Thank You  
Sing for Pleasure Choir: £105:00 Thank You



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## ***Second Sunday of Lent March 8th 2020 (Matthew's Gospel)***

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

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	Tara Dyson
	8.30am	Mary & Andrew Lohan
Sunday	10.00am	Fr Ernesto Cardenal

### **Refreshments after Mass**

	<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Monday	9.30am	Brett Taylor
Tuesday	9.30am	May Hudson
Wednesday	12.00 noon	Paul Binyon
Thursday	9.30am	In Thanksgiving (OA)
Friday	9.30am	People of the Parish

	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Saturday	10.00am	Judith Suddaby
Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	Leslie Osbaldeston
Sunday	8.30am	Sr Isidore
	10.00am	People of the Parish

**Confessions: After the 10.00am Mass on Saturday and on request**

**Exposition: 40 minutes before Mass each weekday**

### **Contact Details:**

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### Family Faith Formation



Thanks to everyone who supported our younger families last Sunday after the 10.00am. There was a terrific turn out in the Parish Centre which had been set out



by the catechists the night before. After watching a short DVD on what we can do to influence Climate Change there were various activities including suggesting how we might do more to live more in tune with the needs of our planet. Thanks to the donations for the refreshments and the raffle the sum of **£350.00** was raised and will be sent to CAFOD for their work among the people of the Amazon. The winning tickets are in no particular order:

White 11-15 Patricia Redshaw

Yellow 206-210 S & S

White 186-190 Joan McMahon

Yellow 56-60 Brenda C

Yellow 121-125 Tessa S

Prizes can be collected from the sacristy. Thank you

### Lent Family Fast



Please begin to return the Lent Family Fast Envelopes with your donation enclosed. This year we are reminded by people like Sr Consilia working in a remote area of Zimbabwe, that **no-one is beyond reach**.

### CTIS LENT COURSE—Build on the Rock Five weeks from Monday March 2nd.



Meetings in the Parish centre will be on Thursdays, the first meeting was on Thursday March 5th 7.30pm-9.00pm. The next meeting will be next Thursday March 12th.

Please see Notice Board in the porch for other venues and

### Easter Eggs



As in previous years we are hoping to provide Easter Eggs for the children of Asylum Seekers. If you would like to make a donation towards the Eggs or to donate an egg please do so. There is a box at the back of the church for both donations and eggs.

### Fr Ernesto Cardenal mi hermano y amigo grande



Fr Ernesto died on Sunday March 1st aged 95. May he rest in peace. His last email to me came on that day saying that he had shared the homily with several hundred people that morning. His funeral took place on Wednesday 4th March and was attended by bishops, priests and hundreds of people. His cousin, Fr Luis Mendoza Cardenal, aged 80, has taken his place and is living in Fr Ernesto's house. He is now in email contact with me.



Dear Fr Bickers & Parishioners,

On behalf of St Lucy, thank you all so much for your really generous donation/gifts to Cornerstone. Honestly this is a real blessing all round...all the gifts that were brought to us by Celia and Philip, Bless them, are what we really need. This is wonderful, thank you so much, an answer to prayer. To say we are grateful is an understatement, we seem to have been running short of some items which Sacred Heart & St William rectified, now Sr Lucy et al are really delighted, grateful, pleased and appreciate all the good that you do for cornerstone, you help so much.

God bless and reward, abundantly, each one of you who contributed in any way. Sincerely in Christ, Sr Maria, fmsj

### Plants for Africa.



Order forms for the annual PLANT SALE in aid of the Oshandi AIDS Trust in Namibia are now available at the back of church.

Please support this fund-raising activity run by St. Chad's church and CTIS.

Completed order forms to be returned to the back of church by **Sunday April 5<sup>th</sup>**.

Plants to be collected on Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>.



"Everything that happens to you is your teacher. The secret is to sit at the feet of your own life and be taught by it."  
Polly Berrien Berends