

From Sunday's Gospel

Jesus told a parable to his disciples. "Why do you observe the splinter in your friend's eye and never notice the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your friend, 'Let me take the splinter that is in your eye,' when you cannot see the plank in your own eye. You hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take the splinter that is in your friend's eye. A good tree cannot produce bad fruit and a bad tree cannot produce good fruit. You can tell what a tree is like by the fruit it produces. The same is true of you, your words show what is in your heart."



The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday

Pope Francis writes:

"Dear young people, we must live the faith not only with words but also with actions." Today's word is **Action**. In this

Sunday's Gospel Jesus is using parables, short stories, to teach us important lessons. Jesus reminds us that what we are really like is shown by our actions as well as our words. St Anthony of Padua wrote, "Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak. What good acts will we do this week to help us grow closer to God" ?

Ministers

March 3rd

Liturgy of the Word

6.00pm P.Redshaw
8.30am C.Ivatts
10.00am J.Sheard

Liturgy of the Eucharist

C.Hall/S.Dyson
S.Crewdson/M.Booth
M.Farmer/M.Kehoe

March 10th

6.00pm M.Jefferis
8.30am E.Davies
10.00am FFF Family

T.Spalding/C.Hall
S.Crewdson/M.Booth
G.Laggat/C.Ward

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

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

First: £371.23 Second: £646.89 Shop: £169.85 Thank You
BT Sport & Personal Calls reimbursement: £132.15 Candles: £77.81 Thank You
Cheques please to DIOCESE OF LEEDS— SACRED HEART



Sacred Heart & St William

31 High Street

Uppermill OL3 6HS

Web: www.sacredheartparish.org.uk

8th Week in Ordinary Time March 2nd 2019 (Luke's Gospel)

Times of Masses & Intentions

Saturday Vigil	6.00am	Clifford Jones
Sunday	8.30am	Paul Hartley
	10.00am	People of the Parish

Sacrament of Anointing during Mass in the Parish Centre

Refreshments after Mass

Monday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday	9.30am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Wednesday	12.00noon	Maria Kohl ASH WEDNESDAY
	7.30pm	Deceased members of the Parish
Thursday	9.30am	Kate Ellis
Friday	9.00am	Sr Monica Sheehy
	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	10.00am	Harry Heaton
Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	Tara Dyson
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Gladys Fordham

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

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Lent 2019



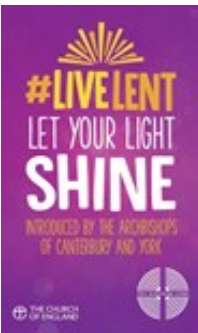
Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, March 6th, when we begin the great season of grace which we call Lent. In his Lenten message for 2019 Pope Francis invites Christians “to embody the paschal mystery more deeply and concretely in their personal, family and social lives, above all by **fasting, prayer and almsgiving.**”

Fasting, the Pope says, means turning away from the temptation to “devour” everything to satisfy our voracity; **Prayer** teaches us to abandon idolatry and the self-sufficiency of our ego; **Almsgiving,** whereby we escape from the insanity of hoarding everything for ourselves in the illusory belief that we can secure a future that does not belong to us. If we follow this journey, he said it “is possible to rediscover the joy of God’s plan for creation and for each of us, which is to love him, our brothers and sisters, and the entire world, and to find in this love our true happiness”.
Please see the Lent Diary in the Porch or pick up a copy from the back of the

Churches Together in Saddleworth—Lent Discussion

This year the book chosen is **Live Lent—Let your Light SHINE.** The Book costs £2.00 and copies are available at the back of church. Please sign the list if you take one, payment can be made later. Meetings will take place on THURSDAY March 14th and the four following Thursdays, 21st, 28th, April 4th and 11th in the Parish Centre. **7.30-9.00pm.**

Refreshments available from 7.15pm



One of the most traditional forms of prayer during Lent is to follow Christ on the Way to Calvary. There is a list at the back of the church for individuals to sign if willing to **lead The Stations of the Cross.** There are different versions of The Stations of the Cross in the sacristy. Please feel free to choose any one of them when leading.



The next group meetings for parents, children and young people will take place after the 10.00am Mass NEXT Sunday, March 10th.

Parents are asked to make every effort to help their children attend. This will be the last meeting until May because of the very late Lent and Easter. The April meeting clashes with Palm Sunday when our younger parishioners follow their own story of Jesus’ way to Calvary.

CAFOD QUIZ NIGHT



FRIDAY MARCH 8th at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Tickets cost £5.00 per person to include potato pie supper.

Teams of up to 6 people.

Soft drinks, tea and coffee available, please bring your own alcohol. **If you have bought a ticket but do NOT intend to attend the Quiz, please let Anne or Susan know as there is a WAITING List!**

Cornerstone SPECIAL Collection—Next Weekend



On the **weekend of the 9th/10th March** there will be a SPECIAL Collection of foodstuffs for Cornerstone, a charity this parish has supported for several years. We are asked to bring some food to share with those who are hungry and homeless, It is the first Sunday of Lent, a wonderful reminder of our solidarity with the poor.

Whit Friday Committee



The parish needs to provide two new members for the Whit Friday Committee which meets three or four times throughout the year to make the arrangements for Whit Friday. This would be especially appropriate for parents with younger children. Anyone prepared to be on the Committee please see Fr Bernard.



Please can I have a God

The colour of doubt, the shape of uncertainty,
Who sees that within me dwells a multitude,
Grief and joy, envy and generosity, rage and raucousness,
And anoints every last part. (Christine Valters Painter)