

St John the Baptist Catholic Church

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13th March 2022 - 2nd Sunday of Lent Yr C

Saturday 12 th	2nd Sunday Lent	6.oopm	People of the Parish
Sunday 13 th		9.30am	Pat Loughlin
Monday 14 th			
Tuesday 15 th			
Wednesday 15 th		9.30am	Hazel Faulkner Ints
Thursday 16 th			
Friday 17 th			
Saturday 18 th		6.00pm	People of the parish
Sunday 19 th		9.30am	Private Intention

An Act of Spiritual Communion; My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Those unable to be at mass and ask remembrance in our prayers, and the assurance of their prayers for us..... Joan Kenny, Frances and Roger Delf.

Sick List: Please keep in prayer those who are unwell at this time and those who care for them; Tom Prince, Margaret and Michael Stapleton, those with Covid-19, those struggling with mental ill health and all those in our nursing homes, care homes, hospitals and hospices.

Confessions On request.

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OFFERTORIES Total Collections for weekend 12th/13th February £220.50 of which £183.00 was Gift Aided

2nd Collection today for CAFOD Family Fast Day Next Week CAFOD Ukraine Appeal

Cleaners Rota: Denis Cope & Sue Edmonds

Christine Eardley & David Robins Angela Heath & Denise Beattie

New Rota's We are seeking volunteers on a rota basis:

Care of Altar linens - please speak to Clare Ford

Welcome - We welcome Bishop David McGough once again this weekend. Many thanks for all of your kind words and prayers, I really do appreciate them and I hope to get some answers in the coming days of what is causing my voice loss.

Lent - Walk With Me and Booklets are available on the way out of church. Please do take a copy for. Let us pray for each other during this season of lent.

Uniting to Pray for Peace - From Wednesday 23rd March, 10.00am -10.30am and each following Wednesday, here at St John's we will join with members of St Peter's Parish praying for peace in Ukraine. Please do join us if you are able to and please let others know that this is taking place.

Support for Ukraine - I'm sure many of us have been wondering how we can respond practically to support the people of Ukraine. The Bishops of England and Wales have recommended ways for us to offer practical support. The 2 most signficant are:

Donate to CAFOD - By donating to CAFOD we know that the money will be well spent and will reach the people and communities most in need. Also donations can be gift aided and so your donation is worth 20% more.

Together With Refugees - There is still have short time before the Nationality and Borders Bill passes into law. Over the next week, parishioners can demonstrate their support for a more compassionate approach to refugees by writing to their MP. The Together with Refugees website gives some background and campaign support- needed before 21 March.

Prayer for Vocations - Friday 25th March, 7pm, there is Holy Hour at Holy Trinity, Newcastle led by Fr Marco Egwhary to pray for vocations. Please do visit Holy Trinity if you are able to and let us be fervent in our prayer for vocations.

CAFOD Family Fast Day - Friday 11th March. Please give generously. Your small act of love this lent will make a big difference.

Faber School - Are advertising for a Head of School. A copy of the advert is on the way out of church. If you know anybody who may be interested please do bring this to their attention. Please also pray that a suitable candidate comes forward.