

St.Thomas of Hereford, Weobley & St. Bede the Venerable, Kington

PARISH BULLETIN

2nd. Week of Lent, Year A, Sun. March 1st. –Sat 7th.

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PRAYERS

Let us remember those in our parish and friends who are in need of special prayers.

John & Vicky Tanner, Graham Vaughan, Melita Denaro, Vivian Brooke, Claire Burrows, Sarah Murkin, Roger Nichols, Bill Davies Kath Morgan, Tricia Carter, Louise Wright, Frank McNally, Vicky Tanswell.

For parishioners, relatives and friends lately dead.

Roger Kerrigan, Brian Tanswell,

For those of our parish whose anniversaries occur at this time

Trevor Oakes(S.), Lucy Peyton (S.'64), Joseph Gerard McGurk (M.'85), Dom Wilfrid Chadwick

For peoples and leaders threatened by the greater powers of the world, especially, Greenland, Venezuela, Ukraine, Uyghur people in China, etc.,etc...

For our King, Charles & Queen Camilla **and the Royal Family.** Our Prime minister and his government.

May they govern with integrity, heeding the religious beliefs and social needs of our land.

First Reading

Genesis ch.12, v.1-4,

In the first Eucharistic Prayer Abraham called "our father in faith". His paternity is also claimed by Islam who trace their origin to Abraham's first son, Ishmael by his servant girl, Hagar. This episode today signifies the origin of Abraham's faith in God (*Elohim*- God of Gods: in Hebrew the suffix *im* denotes plural).). Abram, as he was first known, was a herdsman and shepherd of considerable wealth God called on him to leave his home country and go south to Haran. Abram obeyed and this was attributed to him as a great deed meriting the leadership of a great and holy people enjoying God's blessing and protection.

The Transfiguration of Jesus

Painting: modern



Second reading:

2 Timothy, ch 1, vv.8-10.

The price of possessing the Gospel of Jesus Christ is a form of suffering like Him. We are all called to the supreme virtue of holiness, not because of any merit on our part but simply because it was God's purpose for us. And this purpose is achieved purely by grace, God's free gift to us despite our state of being. This gift has been His purpose for us since the beginning but now it has become real through the appearance of Jesus Christ who abolished death and gave us life through the gospel.

Gospel reading

Matthew ch.4,

vv.1-11

This text of Jesus' transfiguration is so familiar to us and occurs at least three times in the liturgy during the year. It appears in Mark, Matthew and Luke with minor but significant differences. In Matthew (today), Jesus appears on a "high mountain", the place where the New Law is to be given – on the new Sinai, but actually Mt. Tabor. But why this manifestation? It was not Jesus who brought it on Himself. Surely it was His Father who would proclaim Him His "Beloved son". To this Son was given the mission to take away the sins of the world, but at what terrible cost.

SERVICES – THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT, YEAR A

Sat. Feb.28	Mass of 2 nd .Sunday of Lent KINGTON 6.00p.m.	Intention <i>People of Kerala</i>
Sun. Mar 01	2 nd . SUNDAY of LENT, Mass, Weob. 10.30 <i>St. David's Day</i>	<i>Brian Tanswell</i>
Mon. Mar.02	Mass at Weobiey, 10.00 <i>Morning prayer 9.40</i>	
Tue. Mar.03	Mass at Weobley, 10.00 <i>Morn. prayer 9.40</i>	
Wed. Mar.04	Mass at Kington, 10.30 <i>Morning .Prayer 9.40</i>	
Thur. Mar. 05	NO Mass <i>Morning prayer 9.40</i>	
Fri. Mar. 06	STATION MASS, SFX. 7.00pm.Archbp.Mark 'Heart speaks to Heart'- deanery planning mtg. SFX 4.00-5.00. Clergy with Arch. 5.30 <i>Morning prayer 9.40 a.m.</i>	<i>St. John Kemble Deanery</i>
Sat. Mar. 07	MASS OF 3 rd . SUNDAY OF LENT, KINGTON 6.00	
Sun. Mar. 08	3 rd . SUNDAY OF LENT. MASS WEOB. 1030	

Mass intentions. If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention , please contact Fr. Simon. Please detail for whom or what the intention is offered. It is helpful to have the name and contact details of the offerer. Envelopes available.

NOTICES

NEW – Deanery Newsletter, bring together all the local Catholic news in Herefordshire. March issue out NOW on line.

CAFOD LENT COLLECTION & FAMILY FAST DAY

Take an envelope today and fill it for the world's more needy. A Fast Day lunch will be arranged later in Lent.

PARISH BIBLE READING GROUP. NEXT MEETING THIS WED. MARCH 4th. Info: Contact Andy Palfreman (palfremanandy@gmail.com) or see Fr. Simon
Subj. Paul's letters to the Corinthians

KINGTON CHILDRENS' LITURGY begins this Saturday, February 28th. during Mass in the new parish room, for all children who have not yet had 1st. Communion.

C.T.LENT COURSE, WEOBLEY: Mondays from Feb. 23rd. to March 23rd. 2.30pm. in St. Thomas' Parish Room, led by Fr. Simon. Subj. The Prophets. **This week, Isaiah**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. This Friday March 6th. 10.30-12.00 in Cedar Hall, Dilwyn. Theme: "I will give you rest, come – Jesus.
Highlighting the difficulties of being a woman in Nigeria today,
Refreshments provided.

NEXT SUNDAY, March 8th. BRING AND SHARE LUNCH, 12.00 noon in the Parish room, Weobley. Please sign lists in the churches if you can offer any dish, savoury or sweet. Food can be re-heated in our fantastic new microwave. A brain-teasing **Quiz** will follow. There will also be a **Raffle** with takings going towards the Kington Food Bank. Donations of prizes would be appreciated. **Joan**

Evening Lenten retreat & Healing Service. March 17th. 6.30-9.00. ST. ETHELBERT'S CHURCH , LEOMINSTER. 86 Bargates HR6 8QS. With Fr. Michael Payyapilly V.C., Director D.R.C. Pentasaph. See Fr. Simon

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS AT WEOBLEY. In the coming weeks we will be exhibiting in the parish room a fine series of painting by our late parishioner, Sheila Mundy, on the theme of the Our Father. These will be for sale as a set or as individual pictures.

BAD NEWS: Our parish internet is temporarily out of order ("gone down"). Normal service will be resumed as soon as possible.

COMING UP: HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Palm Sunday, March 29th.	Mass, Jesus enters Jerusalem	10.30am.
Reconciliation, March 30th.		4.00pm.
Maundy Thursday, April 2nd	The Lord's Supper	7.00pm.
Good Friday April 3rd.	Lord's passion (at Kington)	3.00pm.
Holy Saturday April 4th.	EASTER VIGIL	9.00pm
EASTER SUNDAY April 5th.	The Lord's Resurrection	11.00am.

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