



**St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church. Totton  
Our Lady of the Assumption & St. Edward the  
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<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent Year B Psalter week 2</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent Year B Psalter week 3</b>
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm <b>Frs. Basil Aguinam &amp; Ben Anasiudu RIP</b>	Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm <b>Jude Okeke RIP</b>
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am <b>Fr. Columba Ibe RIP</b>	Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb. Mass St Theresa's 10.30am <b>Fr. Pascal Nwachukwu RIP</b>	Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass St Theresa's 10.30am
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am <b>Alfred Amaechi RIP St David</b>	Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am <b>Alfred Amaechi RIP</b>	Tue 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am <b>Alfred Amaechi RIP</b>	Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am
Thur. 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass Our Lady's 10.00am <b>Alfred Amaechi RIP</b>	Thur. 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar. Mass Our Lady's 10.00am <b>Zuzanna Jelikho RIP</b>
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar. No Mass	Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar. No Mass

✝ Please pray for the following members of our community who are ill or housebound: Bella Calder, Claire Sorrell, Tony Wright, John Tobin, Christopher Brown, Peggy Croke, Greg Borkowski, Jay Dosanjh, Clara Nolan, Eve Barry, Mary Templeman, Chris Phelan, Miss Fahim, Alaric Rosman and Mary Taylor. For all those in nursing homes or hospital and other Parish Family members who are ill or need our prayer.

**CAFOD - Optional collection this weekend**

**Clergy Assistance Fund – Obligatory Collection next weekend**

## **Pope's Intentions March 2021**

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

### **Pope's Tweets**

May the example of so many doctors and healthcare workers who have risked their life to the point of losing it due to the [#pandemic](#) move us to feeling truly grateful for how generously, and sometimes heroically, they carry out their profession. During the Season of [#Lent](#), the Holy Spirit drives us too, like Jesus, into the desert (Mk 1:12-15). It is not a physical place, but rather an existential dimension in which we can be silent and listen to the word of God, so that a true conversion might be effected in us.

### **Next Monday – St. David (d. 589)**

Next Monday 1st March is the Feast of St. David (Dewi), the Patron Saint of Wales. Here, I reproduce the short biography for the day given by Dawn Marie Beutner in her *Saints: Becoming an Image of Christ Every Day of the Year* (San Francisco, Ignatius Press: 2020).

“David was the son of a noble family in Ceredigion in Wales. His mother Non-was a holy woman and also later declared a saint. David was ordained a priest and lived in a monastery, but he decided to leave the monastery and settle at Mynyw. There he established a community of monks that lived a simple life. They farmed the land by hand, without cattle and lived austerely, having only bread, vegetables, salt and water. He told his monks to maintain a rule of silence, speaking only when necessary, and also taught them to practice constant mental prayer. When a synod was held at Brefi to combat the dangers of the heresy of Pelagianism, which was spreading in the area, David spoke so eloquently that his fellow leaders unanimously elected him as their primate. Although his predecessor was happy to resign in his favour, David accepted the position only on the condition that his episcopal see would be transferred to the quiet town of Mynyw. He became a renowned preacher, founding monastic settlements and churches in Wales, Brittany and southwest England, including, possibly, the abbey at Glastonbury. He died in 589. There are many stories showing his love for God. NOTE. The daffodil is the national flower of Wales and is traditionally worn on St David's Day. The wild daffodil has been a symbol of Wales since the 19th century.

## **Message for Lent**

The Holy Father has just issued his Message for Lent for 2021: click on the link below to read it. In this Message, under the title, "Behold we are going up to Jerusalem", Pope Francis gathers and arranges the lessons of the passion, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus into a triad of theological virtues: faith, hope and charity, and a triad of Lenten exercises: self-impoverishment (as in fasting and abstinence), prayer and charity/almsgiving. These two triads are woven together into forming the Pope's message this year; and, as you can see, they are virtues and exercises which Jesus himself lived and handed on to his followers to be lived also: to make them more Christ-like! With his Lenten message, Pope Francis recommends the same virtues and exercises, which Jesus taught his disciples, to us for our Lenten journey to the feast of the resurrection of Jesus at Easter 2021.

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**CAFOD:** Family Fast Day Friday was 26 February. This Lent the appeal is about Abdella, a young man who is walking about 10 hours a day to collect water for his family. He lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia; will you go please give generously to help the people in this area to have access to clean water in their village.

A collection will take place at the weekend Masses of the 27/28 February. If you wish to give by TEXT LENT (amount) to 70460 or envelopes will be available at church the weekend before. Thank you for your past support.

**Will you go the extra mile this Lent?** Could you join Abdella and [Walk for Water](#)? Could you take the challenge of 10,000 steps a day throughout Lent to raise awareness and funds? They can be walked, run or even danced if you prefer. Do you know anyone who would like this challenge? Let's get involved in the fight against poverty. See [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent) for more information and to see what you can do.

This Lent will be particularly hard for many families because of lockdown. We have all missed the things we enjoy doing: - going out for a meal, drinks with friends, going to the cinema, theatre, concert, or a football match, even a haircut! So, this Lent instead of giving something up why not donate the money you would have spent on these activities to [CAFOD's Lent Appeal](#):

You can donate online here [Family Fast Day - Lent 2021 | CAFOD](#)

## **Lent retreat: Finding Hope in Scripture**

*To mark the Year of the Word, Sr Hyacinthe is inviting you to join the Formation for Mission Team **Lenten Retreat: 'Finding Hope in Scripture', which started on 22nd February.***

***Every Monday evening during Lent at 7.30pm and for 6 weeks, we will discover aspects of the virtue of hope from six different Bible passages, so that we may grow in hope in these difficult times, and find ways to share our hope with others while preparing to celebrate Easter as a fulfilment of hope. Our reflection will be followed by a time of live-streamed adoration and Compline with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph. Register [here](#) to participate.***

We congratulate Theresa Hounsome, Kathryn Summerfield and Rosemary Bugbee who are happy winners of February 100 Club draw. We thank them for their generous participation.