



**St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church. Totton
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3rd Sunday of Lent Year B Psalter week 3	4th Sunday of Lent Year B Psalter week 4
Sat 6 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm Ernest & Hilda Card RIP Jude Okeke RIP	Sat 13 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm
Sun 7 th Mar. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am Alfred Nzekwe RIP	Sun 14 th Mar. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am
Sun 7 th Mar. Mass St Theresa's 10.30am Thomas Smyth RIP	Sun 14 th Mar. Mass St Theresa's 10.30am Anish George RIP
Mon 8 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am Alfred Nzekwe RIP	Mon 15 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am
Tue 9 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am Alfred Nzekwe RIP	Tue 16 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am
Wed 10 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am Emmanuel Orjiakor RIP	Wed 17 th Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am St Patrick
Thur. 11 th Mar. Mass Our Lady's 10.00am Cajitan & Virginia Offor RIP	Thur. 18 th Mar. Mass Our Lady's 10.00am
Fri 12 th Mar. No Mass	Fri 19 th 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.

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

[#Lent](#) is a time to believe, or rather to receive God into our life so that we may “make our home with Him” (Jn 14: 23). Tomorrow I will go to [#Iraq](#) for a three-day pilgrimage. I have long wanted to meet those people who have suffered so much. I ask you to accompany this apostolic journey with your prayers, so it may unfold in the best possible way and bear hoped-for fruits.

This year's Easter Ceremonies?



You may be wondering about the Easter ceremonies this year, with the COVID restrictions easing yet with many aspects of social distancing etc still in operation. Will we need to make adaptations? Thanks be to God this year our churches can be open and the usual Holy Week liturgies can be celebrated – remember 2020?! And thanks too to all our clergy and lay volunteers for their generous and hard work keeping our churches open. So, for Easter 2021, then, there will have to be number of subtle adaptations to the usual arrangements to ensure that things can be done safely with sanitisation, social distancing and other precautions. For instance, on Palm Sunday, instead of the usual procession, one of the other forms of Entrance Rite as recommended by the Roman Missal may need to be used. On Holy Thursday, the (optional) Washing of the Feet will be omitted and the procession to the Altar of Repose will have to be adapted. On Good Friday, there will be an additional prayer during the Solemn Intercessions for the pandemic and the Adoration of the Cross may need to be done differently. Finally, at the Easter Vigil, it will not be possible to gather round the Easter fire so this part of the liturgy will need to be adjusted.

The Three 'Rs'



Kathleen Grover from Bembridge, Isle of Wight shares **The Three 'Rs'**, a poem for Lent...

Refresh, Renew and Repent
During this season of Lent
And I meant,
To do these things!

What can I give up, what can I do without?
Absolutely Nought! The Lord knows my weaknesses,
He knows my ways
He knows what I can't do without for 40 long days!

But God is Good, God is Wise
He will find a way for me to compromise.
I pray in the morning and each night before bed
Knowing that his message will creep into my head,
To show me the way, give me a clue
As to what I'm to do.

I knew He was listening,
It's come to me at last
But I must act fast
The days of temptation are almost down to nil,
Not much time left for my penance to fulfil.

So, tell us, what is your task?
I hear you ask
Refresh, Repent, Renew
Is all I'm telling YOU!!!

Praying for our Seminarians



Our Seminarian to keep in your prayers this coming month is Farvin Gonsalves, a First-Year student at St. Mary's College, Oscott. He writes...

I was raised a Catholic in Goa (India) and was brought up within a strong Catholic culture. My faith was passed down to me by my parents and through ongoing catechesis in my parish. Yet, I did not know God, I knew of Him but did not have a relationship with Him.

My first conversion took place when I attended a retreat just before my confirmation, I heard the Word of God preached and then I saw its power right before my eyes, people being healed of their illnesses. I was overwhelmed by this experience, it made me realise that Jesus is real and what we do every Sunday is real.

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-improvement (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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