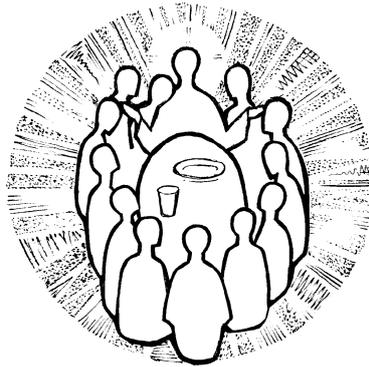


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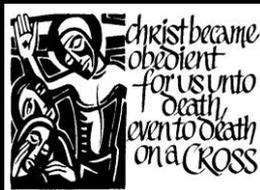
PARISH NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest:
Rev. Jose Cirilo Rodrigues

Second Sunday of Lent (C)

17th March 2019

Weekday Cycle - Year 1



READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (C)

First Reading - (Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18) - In this reading we learn of the solemn covenant God made with Abraham which was the foundation of God's relationship with the people of Israel. Through Christ we are the heirs to this covenant.

Responsorial Psalm - *The Lord is my light and my help.*

Second Reading - (Philippians 3:17-4:1) - From this reading it is obvious that even in the early Church not all lived up to the demands of the Christian life. St. Paul, therefore, urges us to remain faithful.

Gospel Reading - (Luke 9:28-36) - On Mount Tabor, Peter, James and John got a glimpse of the glory that was hidden in Jesus, and they were delighted by it. Through faith we too glimpse the glory of the risen Jesus who lives on in the Church and in each of us.

THE SEASON OF LENT - Lent prepares us for Easter, for the Lenten liturgy disposes both the faithful and catechumens to celebrate the Paschal mystery as the centre of the liturgical year and of the Christian life. We all should think about imposing some penitential practice on ourselves during Lent, making use of the Sacrament of Penance, possibly attending Mass more often, and giving more time to prayer and charitable activities.

CALENDAR - On **Monday** we have the 4th Century Bishop of Jerusalem, **St Cyril**, as renowned for his pastoral writings as for the liturgical initiatives which gave the Church its celebration of Holy Week and Easter. **Tuesday** of this week is the **Solemnity of St. Joseph**, husband of Blessed Virgin Mary and foster-father of Our Lord. He is the Patron Saint of the Universal Church.

LITURGIES FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

- 9.40am - Angelus and Rosary**, each day Monday to Saturday.
- 10am - Mass** each morning, Monday to Saturday.
- Stations of the Cross with Eucharistic Service** - Wednesday at 7pm.

FIRST RECONCILIATION - Congratulations to all our young people from St. Cadoc's Primary School and St. Charles' Primary School who made their First Reconciliation during the week. It has been great welcoming the 36 (24 from St. Cadoc's Primary School and 12 from St. Charles' Primary School) children to the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Very many thanks to the young people for all the preparation they made, as well as to their teachers and parents/guardians/carers. We hope and pray that all our young people will experience the love and kindness of God when they come to confessions and continue to grow in their appreciation of this Sacrament.

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL - In September 2018 Pope Francis urged all the faithful worldwide to pray to St. Michael the Archangel, who protects us in the battle against evil." The prayer, "which the Church has prayed in turbulent times," was composed in 1886 by Pope Leo XIII

In keeping with Holy Father's request we will recite henceforth the Prayer to Michael the Archangel at the end of daily Mass during the week. "This prayer is a powerful weapon against Satan's snares as we ask for the powerful help of the leader of all the angels and of the army of God, St. Michael the Archangel."

FIRST RECONCILIATION - Many thanks to Fr. Patrick Hennessy for assisting me in hearing children's confessions at their First Reconciliation Service in St. Cadoc's during the week.

HEALTH & SAFETY INSPECTION OF ST. CADOC'S - The health & safety inspection, which was carried out by the Ellis Whittam Limited and a representative from the Diocese of Motherwell in the church and the presbytery on 29th January 2019, in accordance with government legislation, received a very good report. However, the inspecting firm has made some safety recommendations within their report including the need for improved access to the roof of the church.

Thanks to Liam McGurk who, besides being our 400 Club organiser, has accepted the responsibility to help the parish in health & safety matters.

GIFTAID - For those using offertory gift-aid envelopes, the new envelopes for the 2019-20 tax year, which commences on the weekend of 6th April/7th April 2019, will be made available for collection in the porch next weekend.

Gift-Aid members should put their envelope number and the date on the building fund envelope as the printer has not done this.

Many thanks to those who have answered our appeal. We are still looking for new members. If you pay tax on income/pension the church can claim back the tax through the Gift-Aid Scheme. Forms are available at the back of the church if anyone wishes to join the scheme. If you have any queries about the Gift Aid system, please contact the parish Gift Aid organiser, Mr. Jim Cunningham or Fr. Cirilo. Alternatively, you can contribute to the Sunday Mass collections via a direct debit or standing order arrangement with your bank. Thank you once again for your enduring generosity and support. We are also very grateful to Mr. Jim Cunningham for giving his time every week to deal with Gift-Aid envelopes.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING - On behalf of the parish, I wish to say a very sincere 'thank you' to Mrs. Barbara Morris, our parish safeguarding co-ordinator, for giving her time recently to complete the annual parish safeguarding audit (report) and sending it to the diocese.

I am also grateful to Barbara and Mrs Alice Scott for the amount of time they give to ensure that parish safeguarding procedures are in place.

Any issue of concern relating to altar servers, young people or vulnerable adults should be brought to the attention of the parish safeguarding co-ordinator or the priest. We thank Barbara and Alice for taking up this voluntary role in the parish and for their service to the parish.

SCIAF "WEE BOXES" APPEAL 2019 - Please collect a 'WEE BOX' for your SCIAF Lenten donations for your family on your way out after Mass if you haven't do so. The boxes should be handed in at the end of Lent.

FUND RAISING NIGHT TO SUPPORT ESSENTIAL REPLACEMENT OF CARPETS IN THE PRESBYTERY - takes place this Friday 22nd March 2019 in the Presbytery between 7pm and 9pm. Thanks to those who have already booked their places for the night and thank you for your support of the parish. I (Fr. Cirilo) look forward to seeing you on Friday of this week in the chapel house. Any donations towards this fundraising event will be gratefully received. Also donations for the raffle prizes are most welcome. All monetary proceeds from the night will go towards reducing the cost of replacing the carpets in the Presbytery.

400 CLUB WINNERS - Joe McHendry; Winning Agent: Liam McGurk.

MASS AT ST CADOC'S

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5pm; Sunday at 10am & 11.30am.

Weekday Mass: Monday to Saturday at 10am.

Holy Day of Obligation: Vigil Mass at 7pm & Morning Mass at 10am.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Every Thursday from 9am-9.45am.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION): Anytime on request and Saturday 9.15am - 9.45am; 4.15pm - 4.45pm.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By prior arrangement with Rev. Jose Cirilo Rodrigues.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: It is a privilege of the Priest and Eucharistic Ministers to bring the Holy Eucharist to the sick and housebound. Please inform us when a parishioner is in hospital or ill.

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE: Couples intending to marry should contact the Priest for arrange a date. By Diocesan policy, this must be done at least six months in advance.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

SICK - Canon John B. Healey, Canon Michael Walsh, Fr. Thomas Colm Morris, John Farrell, Betty Jones, Anne Havron, Ann & James Hannaway.

[I also ask your prayers at Mass today for the sick - those at home in our parish community, those in hospital, and those in local nursing and care homes in Cambuslang, Halfway & Blantyre. In addition to remembering the sick and housebound at Sunday Mass, I invite you to remember them every day of the week in your prayers. Our prayers for them not only help in their suffering and pain but also reassure them that they are not forgotten by our community of faith. Our prayers help relieve their feelings of isolation and loneliness. To be remembered before the Altar of God brings them comfort and consolation.]

RECENTLY DEAD - Alan Elliot, May Anderson, Monica Duncill, Alistair Gordon, Jessie Simpson & Alice Barrett.

ANNIVERSARIES - Moira McLaughlin, John Kelly, James Donnelly, Bella & Edward O'Donnell, Hugh & Peggy Rafferty, John & Mary Pearson, Dennis Stewart, Daniel & Isa McSorley, Joe & Barbara Joyce & James joyce.

ST CADOC, PRAY FOR US

WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 10th MARCH 2019

Parish Collection (Gift Aid+Non-Gift Aid) = £803.36

A sincere thank you for all your contributions