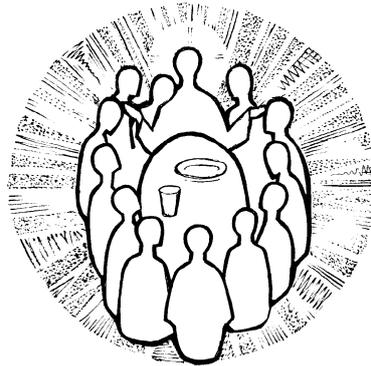


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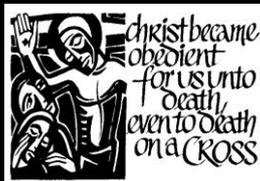
## PARISH NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest:  
Rev. Jose Cirilo Rodrigues

## Third Sunday of Lent (C)

24<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Weekday Cycle - Year 1



### READINGS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (C)

**First Reading - (Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15)** - God has seen the miserable state of his people in Egypt. He takes pity on them and decides to free them through the leadership of Moses. It shows God's concern for those who are oppressed.

**Responsorial Psalm - *The Lord is compassion and love.***

**Second Reading - (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12)** - Though all the people of Israel were led out of Egypt and enjoyed God's protection in the desert, yet because of their infidelity most of them perished there. There is a great lesson and a warning in this for us Christians.

**Gospel Reading - (Luke 13:1-9)** - Jesus says that the misfortunes which befall people are no indication that they are sinners. Yet, to his Jewish hearers, he stresses the necessity of repentance and tells them that time is running out.

**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** - Solemnity of the Annunciation of our Lord is celebrated on Monday of this week (25<sup>th</sup> March). The feast recalls how the angel Gabriel, sent by God, invited Mary to become the mother of his Son, and Mary's 'Yes'.

### LITURGIES FOR THE THIRD 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.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR SCIAF ON 30<sup>TH</sup>/31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH AND FOR THE CHURCH BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUND ON 6<sup>TH</sup>/7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL** - I am in a situation again where I have no option but to have second collections on two consecutive weeks. Next Sunday (31<sup>st</sup> March 2019), being SCIAF Sunday, the annual collection for SCIAF will be taken up at all masses, which will go to help the thousands of vulnerable young people of Uganda, who, with your support, are being helped to work their way out of poverty. The following Sunday (7<sup>th</sup> April 2019) is the first Sunday of the month, therefore the usual monthly second collection for the Church Building and Maintenance fund will be taken up then. I hope you will contribute with your usual generosity to both collections over these next two weekends.

**400 CLUB WINNER** - Kevin Dougal; Winning Agent: Margaret McGurk

**PASTORAL STATEMENT FOR 2018** - Attached you will find a pastoral statement in today's bulletin issued by Fr. Cirilo. Thank you to all for supporting the parish last year. Thank you also for your enthusiasm and generous spirit to become involved in the life of our parish community and I look forward to your ongoing assistance in the future. May God bless our efforts and create a community of faith that is alive in Christ and full of hope for the future.

**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 henceforth recite the Prayer to St. 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."

**BAPTISM** - We welcome Ben Leo McGowan & Cabhan James Anthony Boland Phinn into our community who were baptised in our church last Sunday. We pray that God will make this special occasion grace-filled for their parent and their families.

**GIFTAID** - For those using offertory gift-aid envelopes, the new envelopes for the 2019-20 tax year, which commences on the weekend of 6<sup>th</sup> April/7<sup>th</sup> April 2019, are now available for collection in the porch. Please collect your gift-aid envelopes from the porch, if you have not done so. Gift-Aid members should put 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.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** - Children finish school for their Spring break/Easter on Friday (29<sup>th</sup> March). I hope you and your children enjoy the Spring break.

The Children's Liturgy will not be on during the holiday period. We resume the Children's Liturgy again on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019. We thank the volunteers who organise the Liturgy for our children and we are still looking for new people to volunteer. Thanks also to the parents, guardians, carers who bring their children to the church to participate in our children's liturgy.

**PASTORAL PLANNING MEETING** - will take place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 7pm in the church house. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend the parish council meetings.

**CHURCH CLEANING** - Many thanks to all those who gave their time to clean the Church last week. It makes all the difference! Your continued help is much appreciated. We could do with more people willing to give of their time every fortnight to help with church cleaning. If you think you can help, please contact Jean Coyle, May Harkin or Fr Cirilo.

**APPEAL FOR MORE ALTAR SERVERS** - Thank you to all our current altar servers for their commitment to serve at the Altar of the Lord. It is both an honour and a privilege to be an Altar Server and their service to St. Cadoc's Parish is very much appreciated. At the moment we are short of altar servers, especially for Sunday 10am Mass. My earnest appeal to the parents is to encourage your children to become altar servers. If anyone would like to become an altar server, please speak to Mrs. Barbara Morris/Mrs Alice Scott or me (Fr. Cirilo) after one of the weekend Masses. We welcome three young people of the parish (1 for Vigil Mass & 2 for 10am Mass) who recently have offered themselves for the service of the altar. Hopefully we will see a few more new faces on the sanctuary in time to come.

#### **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** - Monsignor Robert McDonald, Sr Jarlath, Catherine Murray & Kate Mulheron.

**MONTHS MIND** - Erika Clark.

**ANNIVERSARIES** - John Connor (Australia), James & Margaret Coyle & Margaret Hannigan McGuire.

#### **ST CADOC, PRAY FOR US**

#### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019**

Parish Collection (Gift Aid+Non-Gift Aid) = £985.08

**A sincere thank you for all your contributions**