



LITURGY

First reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

Response to the Psalm: Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Second reading: Romans 5:12-19

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11



Dear Parishioners

The readings today follow the theme of temptation. In Genesis, distortion follows on distortion on the part of the woman, the serpent and the man, so that God’s truth is forgotten and the serpent’s lies prevail. Jesus too is tempted by the devil. The temptations of Adam and Eve had been exaltation of self. The temptations of Jesus were to abuse his identity and mission. Unlike the others, Jesus used his freedom to choose the good. Temptations now assail us, in ways best known to each of us. All are based on various ways of sinning against the great commandment to love God with all our heart, soul and might. As with Jesus, many of our temptations come through our gifts: If good looks, to use them to get away with things; if brains, to look with disdain on the efforts of others; if a facility with words, to use them for selfish gain. Jesus has already shown how we must overcome our root temptations: through doing penance, engaging in prayer, and giving extra attention to the word of God. We have an opportunity for all this, in addition to giving more attention to the commitment of our baptism, especially during Lent.

**God Bless
Fr. Benedict OSB**

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1st Week of Lent Year(A)

Week commencing Sunday 26th February 2023

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Masses

Sat 25 th Feb	5.00pm	1 st Sunday of Lent (A)	Danny Scally RIP
Sun 26 th Feb	10.30am	1 st Sunday of Lent (A)	Bud & Mick Sollis (60 th W.A.)
Mon 27 th Feb			
Tues 28 th Feb			Private Intention (A.F.)
Wed 1 st March	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross & Benediction	People of the Parish
Thur 2 nd March			Wellbeing of the EBC
Fri 3 rd March			
Sat 4 th March	5.00pm	2 nd Sunday of Lent (A)	Kitty McCarthy RIP
Sun 5 th March	10.30am	2 nd Sunday of Lent (A)	Kathleen McLoughlin RIP

Mass is celebrated privately daily except on Monday.

If you would like a mass offered for a particular intention, please email the parish or put a note through the door of the presbytery, *please do not place it in the collection bag*. Thank you.

Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:

Derek Sollis, , Georgette Cowell, Dolores Flynn, Fred Chadfield. Alan Clatworthy, Chanel Mullings, Clive Rickhards,, Jill Spurrell, Stan Phipps, Judith Baylis.

Those who have recently died: ,

Doleen Evans, Jean Monica Tucker, Fr. John Fallon, Judy Husband
Graham Janes, Elizabeth Watton, Maurice Andrews, Max Stoddart. Tony Lyons,
Michael Russell, Mary Cross, Agnes McIlravey, Helen McCarthy,
Patricia O'Brien, Pauline Burton, Mary Judith Smith (nee Hewitt), Wyn Varley,
Raimondo Gemeli, Anthony Woodhouse, Barbara Woodhouse,
Kathleen McLoughlin.

Information

Missio

Geraldine Flynn is the new secretary for Missio and will be available to collect your red Missio box from promoters and individuals after mass on Saturday Evening and Sunday morning of the weekend 18th and 19th of March. If for any reason you are unable to get your Missio box to us on these dates, please give her a call on 07719 488754 directly to make alternative arrangements.

Unwanted Christmas Gifts

We will be collecting any new, unopened Christmas gifts and gift sets after Christmas for future fundraising sales. Please keep anything that you think might be saleable and check the bulletin for details of when we will be collecting these items. No alcohol. Thank you!

Sunday Coffee

Our next 'Coffee Morning' will be after Mass on Sunday 26th February. Do please come along and join us. Marie Andrews has very kindly agreed to have a sale of some of the wonderful crafts she produces to help us raise funds.

Wednesdays During Lent

At 7pm on Wednesdays during Lent there will be Stations of the Cross together with Exposition and Benediction. Do please come along and use the service as part of your Lenten preparations.

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