

**Catholic Church Communities of
St. Anne & Blessed Dominic and St. Vincent de Paul**



Newsletter

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This Sunday	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	
1 st March 2026	Sunday Cycle: Year A	Weekday Cycle: Year 2

THIS WEEK				
Saturday 28th February	5:00 pm	M	St A&B	Edna & John Regan, Evelyn Smith
Sunday 1st March	9:30am	M	St V	People of the Parish
	11:00am	M	St A&B	Gerard Bailey, George Sheen
Wednesday 4th March	12noon	M	St A&B	Margaret Murray, Maud & James Swift
Friday 6th March	12noon	S	St A&B	Liturgy of word with Communion
Saturday 7th March	5:00 pm	M	St A&B	John & Mary Southward
Sunday 8th March	9:30am	M	St V	People of the Parish
	11:00am	M	St A&B	Harry Diamond, Gerard Bailey

Please remember in your Prayers:

Lately died: Gerard Bailey, Margaret Woodruff, Deacon Leo McNicholas.

Anniversaries: John Regan, Evelyn Smith, Margaret Murray, George Sheen,
Maud & James Swift, Kevin Roberts, Thomas King, James Fogarty, Joseph Falcous.

Birthday Remembrance: Agnes Doyle.

Lord, Your Friend Whom You love is sick:

Barbara Wright, Mandy Bennett, Annie Lee, Kathleen Valentine, Helen Smith, Cerys McKenna, Christine Terry, Moyra Lyon, Brian Fortune, Geraldine Roberts, Laura Mahon, Isobelle McDonald, Anne Whitehouse, Alex McMillian, Sam Glover, Alex Downey, Joan Mary Cyril, Raymond Litherland, Angela Brooks, Ged Barry.

Stations of the Cross at St Anne's every Friday during Lent (apart from Good Friday) at 2.30 p.m. Everyone warmly welcome, not only from both our own Church Communities, but from other Communities too.

Scripture readings are about the love of God that enables us to keep on striving in our life journey.

In today's first reading, we hear how something happens to Abram that dramatically changes the course of his life. He is invited to leave the world of the familiar, his country and father's house, and find his security in the promise of God. He cannot see either the land or the family he has been promised, yet he begins this journey without maps. But he travels rooted in the conviction or hopefully in the belief that one day his journey will lead to the fulfilment of God's promises.

This same conviction works in the heart of another man who changed direction in his life: Paul. As we hear from the second reading, Paul is persuaded that the hardships which come from following the Gospel do indeed serve the purposes of God. Even though many people were suspicious of the new direction he was following, Paul himself maintained the new course of his life until his death. In his death itself God's plan was being furthered.

The Gospel tells us that the direction which Jesus has to follow will cost him his life. In the story of the transfiguration, Matthew shows us that Jesus is not just the one who is to suffer but that he is the beloved Son of God. These two go together. The suffering and the glory are evident in the one person of Jesus. In the transfiguration, the name of Jesus is called in love: he is named and owned by the Father, and we are all directed to listen to him.

The power of that love funds us to face the future. It is this love that we celebrate here. It helps us to travel hopefully. It enables us to keep on striving until we can rest at last in the love that knows our name best. MAY YOUR LOVE BE UPON US O LORD AS WE PLACE ALL OUR HOPE IN YOU.

Centring Prayer Day - Saturday 21st March

Led by Fr Richard Sloan from Huyton, this day focuses on teaching and practice of this beautiful way of silent, simple, meditation prayer in the presence of God, lovingly active within you.

Saturday 21st March, 10am – 4pm in St Teresa's Church, Norris Green, L11 3BW including simple lunch.

No charge: places must be booked by contacting: st.teresasng@rcaol.org.uk

Safety matters

If you are concerned about the safety of a child or vulnerable adult and feel they are in immediate danger, please call the police. If you wish to report any non-urgent concerns, please contact your local social services or the archdiocese safeguarding officers, Mark Robson 0151 522 1013 / 07585761965 Claire Newton 0151 522 1043 / 07384643237 or safeguarding@rcaol.org.uk

Readers at St Anne & Blessed Dominic and St Vincent De Paul

If you wish to be considered for reading at any of the services in Holy Week, please notify Joanne at the Parish Office this week (Monday or Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm on 01744 811 935) or by email to parish58@rcaol.org.uk at any time.

On Maundy Thursday (2 April) at St A&B, 6:30 pm, we need 2 readers.

On Good Friday (3rd April) at St V, 3:00 pm, we need 4 readers.

On Saturday, Easter vigil (4th April) at St A&B, 5:00pm, we need 5 readers. Thank you.

Foodbank. Items needed: Milk, Sugar, coffee (small), Juice, Jam, Instant Mash, Tinned (potatoes, tomatoes, fruit, fish), Rice pudding, Custard, Cereals, Savoury Rice/Noodles. Many thanks for your continued support.