



# OUR LADY OF ENGLAND

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year B – 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

### **THIS SUNDAY 28, Second 'Transfiguration' Sunday of Lent, Year B**

(Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Romans 8:31b-34; Mark 9:2-10)

11am Mass (outdoors at Our Lady's Statue, Matt's Wood) For the People of the Parish

### **MONDAY 1, Feast: St David**

(Daniel 9:4b-10; Luke 6:36-38)

### **TUESDAY 2, Tuesday of the Second Week in Lent**

(Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12)

### **WEDNESDAY 3, Wednesday of the Second Week in Lent**

(Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28)

Church open 2pm – 4pm (Face covering required)

### **THURSDAY 4, Thursday of the Second Week in Lent**

(Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31)

### **FRIDAY 5, Friday of the Second Week in Lent**

(Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46)

### **SATURDAY 6, Saturday of the Second Week in Lent**

(Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32)

Church open 10am – 12 noon for Private Prayer (Face covering required)

### **NEXT SUNDAY 7, Third Sunday of Lent, Year B**

(Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25)

11am Mass or Liturgy (outdoors at Our Lady's Statue, Matt's Wood) **subject to confirmation or cancellation in next weekend's newsletter**

### **OUR LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ARE:**

St Philip's Catholic Primary School

London Road, Arundel

Tel: 01903 882115 [www.stphilipsarundel.org.uk](http://www.stphilipsarundel.org.uk)

St Philip Howard Catholic School

Elm Grove South, Barnham

Tel: 01243 552055 [www.sphcs.co.uk](http://www.sphcs.co.uk)

### From Fr Charles

The weather forecast for Sunday morning is fine and sunny. An outdoor Mass will be attempted at 11am.

It is perfectly acceptable to attend Mass, make a Spiritual Communion, and not receive Holy Communion if you feel it's too great a risk.

Next Sunday our Mass or Liturgy will be outside at 11am, or simply cancelled if the weather is not good.

I am working towards the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> March (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, and Mothering Sunday) to restart Mass in the Church, with our normal schedule Sat 6pm, Sun 8am and 10am. The option will be retained to hold the 10am Mass outdoors if the weather is good. Directives on how we will handle the Holy Week and Easter services have not yet been received.

The church will remain open for private prayer at the usual times Sat 10-12 and Wed 2-4. Votive lights will not be available. The audio podcast Mass will continue unchanged. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.

Attending a place of worship is a valid legal 'excuse' for being outside your home during lockdown, and therefore making a reasonable journey to get there. Please note, if you choose to attend Mass in another parish you may need to book in advance.

**DIOCESAN MISSION 'INVITED'**: The weekly Thursday conversation groups are now fully booked but the Monday videos can be viewed via our website [www.abdiocese.org.uk](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk)

Transcripts of Speakers and those giving testimony are also available. Thank you to all who have signed up.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS PODCASTS** In two parts, recorded last year by Fr Charles, available on the parish website.

**OUTDOOR CONFESSIONS** From 8<sup>th</sup> March, one-to-one meetings outdoors are permitted. I hope to be able to offer individual Lent confessions outdoors after that date. Updates to follow.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** meets on Zoom usually at 4pm on Saturdays. If you've not joined before and would like to, e-mail [storrington@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:storrington@abdiocese.org.uk)

**ST PHILIP HOWARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL** is currently recruiting for both teaching and support roles. All the details of our vacancies can be found on our website ([www.sphcs.co.uk](http://www.sphcs.co.uk)).

**CAFOD LENT APPEAL** - Family Fast Day was on Friday. Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. Donate online at [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent) or by using a CAFOD envelope. You can also give via text. Text LENT to 70460 to donate £10\*. \*Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message you'll be opting in to hear more about CAFOD's work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text LENTNOINFO to 70460. For more information, please see CAFOD's Privacy Policy: [cafod.org.uk/Legal-information/Privacy-notice](http://cafod.org.uk/Legal-information/Privacy-notice)

**CAFOD WALK FOR WATER** CAFOD has set a challenge to walk 10,000 steps for 40 days of Lent. Louise Sharp has taken up this challenge, if you would like to donate you can visit her CAFOD JustGiving page at: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/louises-walk-at-lot-for-cafod>

**Friday 5 March is an ecumenical women-led WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE** written by the Christian women of Vanuatu and entitled: 'Build on a Strong Foundation'. The verses of the Bible reference conclude the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's gospel; "When we build on the rock which is Christ we know we are on a strong foundation." This South Pacific island was hit by Cyclone Harold which devastated everything in its path in 2020. Let us unite spiritually together on this day with the people of Vanuatu and pray for their needs. \*\* *please note* OUR LOCAL ECUMENICAL STORRINGTON BRANCH SERVICE IS POSTPONED UNTIL LATER IN THE YEAR TO A DATE TO BE ADVISED. See [www.wwdp.org.uk](http://www.wwdp.org.uk)

**HOUSE OF PRAYER AT EAST MOLESEY New Events:**  
Lent Quiet Morning: Turn aside for a while  
Saturday, 6 March  
Lent: Week of Accompanied Prayer Sun, 7 Mar 3:30pm - Sat, 13 Mar 4:30pm  
Lent Retreat: Behold, I stand at the door and knock  
Fri, 19 Mar 7:00pm - Sun, 21 Mar 4:00pm  
Consolation and Desolation for Challenging Times  
Saturday, 24 April 10am - 4pm Led by Gemma Simmonds, C.J. For more information or to book any of these events please email [admin@christian-retreat.org](mailto:admin@christian-retreat.org)

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year B,**  
**28<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

Let us turn to God our Father with confidence that our prayer will be heard as we celebrate this Second Sunday in Lent.

On this Sunday we think about the three disciples on top of a high mountain where Jesus revealed his glory, we pray that we may be honest in opening our hearts to God.

We thank God for the continuing decline in Covid infection rates across our world may we all continue to be patient and vigilant towards one another.

Friday is Women's World Day of Prayer, we thank God for the role women play in our lives today and may that role be appreciated and respected more deeply in our society.

During this Lent we have been asked to pray for candidates preparing to receive Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation, for Women, for the Needy and the Hungry of the World, for Penitents and Wanderers. We commend them all to God's loving protection.

We pray for ourselves and the whole Church as we journey through Lent. May we all find true forgiveness for our sins and give glory to God. We commend ourselves to Mary's loving protection: Hail Mary.....

**CHEMIN NEUF**

Quiet Day for Lent online!

Led by members of The Chemin Neuf Community  
Wednesday 3rd March 10am - 4pm

Introductions on Zoom

Please keep the day clear as we'll suggest activities between the Zoom times

Donations most welcome. More details or to register email: [storrington@chemin-neuf.org](mailto:storrington@chemin-neuf.org)

**ONLINE RETREATS: The Open Cloister at Worth Abbey** led by Michael Woodward (member of the Lay Community of St Benedict)

*12th-14th March: Romero and the Salvadorian Martyrs:* Along with St Romero, we will look at his friend Rutilio Grande, the four US Churchwomen, the UCA Jesuits & the hundreds of lesser known Salvadorans who died from 1977-1992.

*26th-28th March (Palm Sunday weekend) The Holy Shroud:* Gospel beyond Words - What the Shroud Tells Us

Book your place on line

at <https://worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats> Further information E: [toc@worth.co.uk](mailto:toc@worth.co.uk)

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY COLLECTION** For those not on a standing order, a monthly cheque payable to "Our Lady of England Church" is preferable to cash as it presents less risk to our money counters. Cheques can be sent in by post. If you use the parish gift-aid envelopes, please include one with your cheque to help us collect the gift-aid. Thank you for your recent offerings.

**EXPLORING THE DIRECTORY FOR CATECHESIS CONFERENCE 2021** is being offered by the Maryvale Institute. The Directory, published in March 2020, makes clear the essential elements in teaching and personal formation required by the mission of catechesis. This conference is for those involved with or interested in catechesis, and will explore the main themes and key emphases of the text, and reflect on its implications. There are three sessions. For more information visit: <https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/conference-2021.html> To register go to: <https://bit.ly/2Z2KqIX> There is no cost to attend, but a donation is welcomed.

**PRAYER FOR HEALTH STAFF**

Wondrous God, author of life,  
you fashioned us in your likeness  
and breathed into us the life which is your own.  
Be with those whose special care  
is the health of mind and body.  
Fill their hearts with awe  
for the life which is your gift  
and sustain them daily in your service,  
that their hands may bring to others  
the comfort of your healing touch.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED**

Merciful God, come to the help of your people.  
Be our shelter in this time of peril  
and strengthen the bonds of our community.  
Bring healing to all who suffer  
the ravages of disease  
and assist those whose skill and art  
can put an end to this affliction.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

**PRAYER OF ST ALPHONSUS**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.  
I love you above all things  
and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul  
so that I may unite myself wholly to you  
now and forever. Amen.