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5 - 13 March 2022

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Saturday	5 Mar	6.30pm	FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY: Margaret & Kenneth Jackson & Teresa, John & Terence Lynch RIP (Ann.) – Lynch & Jackson Family
Sunday	6 Mar	8.00am	James Gordon Alexander Bentley RIP (Ann.)
		10.00am	Isabell De Mello RIP – De Mello Family <i>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT(C)</i>
		11.00am	BAPTISM: Larosa Mia Beidan
		12 Noon	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
		3.00pm	BAPTISM: Luca Rabello Gesuino Coleman
		4.00pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
		5.00pm	Douglas & Nora Whiffen RIP (Ann.)
Monday	7 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Christopher Rocke RIP (Ann.) – Rocke Family
		6.00pm	-7pm CATECHISM CLASS
Tuesday	8 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Mavis Joan Taylor RIP (Ann.) – Bernard & Marion
Wednesday	9 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Luigi Morosini RIP – Teresa Morosini
		5.40pm	- 6.40pm CATECHISM CLASS
		6.50pm	- 8.30pm LENTEN TALK:
Thursday	10 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Fr Richard Quinlan RIP
Friday	11 Mar	8.15am	DARENT VALLEY HOSPITAL: Mass: Holy Souls
		8.30am	EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Roma Radzisa Uskeine – Tomas Kraullys
		3.30pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Saturday	12 Mar	10.00am	James Downey RIP – Brian Downey
		10.30am	- 11.30am CATECHISM CLASS
		2.00pm	BAPTISM: Chanel Memphis McCarthy
		6.30pm	FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY: Ida Schubiger – Rita Usher
Sunday	13 Mar	8.00am	Alice Collins – Maureen Budaly Family
		10.00am	Lourdes Bernadette Willans RIP- Rita & Patrick
		12 Noon	Mrs Ann Obi – Valentine <i>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT(C)</i>
		4.00pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
		5.00pm	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

NEW CLEANING TEAMS:

06.03.22: Team 'E' (Edith Ranson, John Murphy)

12.03.22: Team 'F' (Filipino Community)

SEASON OF LENT: The season of Lent started in the third century and is believed to have started before. The three aspects of Lent are, 1) Penance, Prayer and almsgiving. These three aspects of Lent when practiced help to transform the spiritual life of every observant. In imitation of Christ's forty days in the desert and the forty years crossing the Jews crossing the desert from slavery to freedom the church sets the scene for three years lent. Spiritual discipline offers the peace that God alone can give, a gift which is highly to be desired for those who are in search of a meaningful life.

LENT TALKS: Once more we have the opportunity to restart the Lent Talks. These talks have been well promoted. This coming Wednesday we have the first talk entitled, "The Books of the Bible – An Introduction," The speaker is Kevin Barry, the organiser of the talks. I encourage as many Parishioners to support these talks. Let us make this Lent a special time after an absence of two years.

DEVOTIONS OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The devotion of the Stations of the Cross is a good source of meditation as we begin to prepare for passion week. This devotion helps us to follow Jesus on his way to Calvary. The fourteen stations provide us with a great deal of thought to have a close look at the suffering of Christ. In life we carry our personal and his cross for the wh. Christ carries His Cross for the whole of humanity from the beginning of time till the end of time. A great deal to meditate about.

CATECHISM CLASS: It is wonderful to know that the Catechism Class have started again. As a Parish we are fortunate to have a team of catechists who kindly and generously give t heir time to the service of the catechesis. Please consult the newsletter for the timetable.

DAILY ADORATION: The daily adoration in the parish (Monday-Friday) is central to our prayer life. Everyone is invited to join. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed from half past eight, till nine o'clock. It is a time of stillness and silent prayer. We look for that oasis of peace and tranquility.

CHURCH CAR PARK: The car park at present needs a lot of attention. If you think you can help in any way possible please let me know. The following are the things that we require, (1) Cleaning of Leaves (Tools provided), (2) Care for the trees.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: The Children's Choir has started again. I would like to invite as many children as possible to join the Choir. They fulfill an important ministry in the life of the Parish.

MINIMART/BAZAAR: For Covid put a stop to the Christmas Bazaar and Summer Fete. As a first step towards resuming the practice, the parish is going to hold a MINI MART/BAZAAR on Saturday 2nd April. This will provide the parishioners with the opportunity to come together to meet and socialize together and to find some bargains.

JUNIOR CLUB & YOUTH GROUP: For many years the parish catered for its young people through these channels. I would like to revive both clubs. The 'JUNIOR CLUB' caters for children from the age of eight to eleven and the 'SENIOR CLUB' from twelve upwards. Forms are being made available. You will find these forms at the back of the Church.