

*Lent is a time when we share the desert with Jesus period. Time to fast, pray and sacrifice.*

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**8 March - 16 March 2025**

**PARISH PRIEST:** Fr Patrick Zammit **Tel: 01322 279955**  
**PARISH PRIEST EMERITUS (Retired):** Fr Michael Leach  
**PERMANENT DEACON:** Rev Michael Dale  
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Saturday	8 Mar	<u>10.00am</u> <u>11.00pm</u> <u>12.00pm</u> <u>6.30pm</u>	Thomas Anthony Maddison RIP (Ann.) <b>Baptism: Karina Oriz</b> <b>Baptism: Oluwatogi Canaan Chuks-Nnadi</b> <b>FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY:</b> John and Teresa Lynch RIP; Kenneth and Margaret Jackson RIP; Terrence Lynch RIP - Maureen Jackson
Sunday	9 Mar	<u>9.00am</u> <u>10.30am</u> <u>4.00pm</u> <u>5.00pm</u>	Luigi Morosini RIP - Teresa Morosini <b>1st SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <b>FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH</b> Stations of the Cross Anthony and Mary Joseph RIP - Berlyn and Infanta EXPOSITION & ADORATION - FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH
Monday	10 Mar	8.30am <u>9.00am</u>	Ronald Labouchardiere RIP - Labouchardiere Family EXPOSITION & ADORATION - FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH
Tuesday	11 Mar	8.30am <u>9.00am</u> <u>10.30am</u>	Jaswaht Fernando RIP - Mary & Julian Bowen Requiem Mass: Bessie Lilian Ada Usher EXPOSITION & ADORATION - FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH
Wednesday	12 Mar	8.30am 9.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm 7.00pm	Fr. Richard Quinlan RIP (Anniv.) Senior Parishioners' Tea Party - 7.00pm <b>CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL</b> - 8.00pm <b>LENT TALKS Talk 1: The Creed - An Overview - Kevin Barry</b> EXPOSITION & ADORATION - FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH
Thursday	13 Mar	8.30am 9.00am	Barbara Margaret Spice RIP - Terry Spice DARENT VALLEY HOSP: MASS: HOLY SOULS EXPOSITION & ADORATION - FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARISH
Friday	14 Mar	8.15am 8.30am <u>9.00am</u> <u>3.30pm</u>	Good Estate of Dorothy Russell - Michael Russell Stations of the Cross
Saturday	15 Mar	<u>10.00am</u> <u>6.30pm</u>	Somitra Bahu RIP - Berlyn and Infanta <b>FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY:</b> Margaret Stapleton RIP - Hogan Family
Sunday	16 Mar	<u>9.00am</u> <u>10.30am</u> <u>4.00pm</u> <u>5.00pm</u>	Terry Clarke RIP - Carmel & Chris White <b>FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH</b> Stations of the Cross Bridget Ward RIP - Family

**CLEANING TEAMS:** 8.3.25 Polish Team 16.3.25 Filipinos 23.3.25 Julia & John Murphy 30.3.25 Bijo Joseph 6.4.25 Karen & Steve Coleman

**LENT TALKS:** This year's series of parish Lent Talks will commence on Wednesday, the 12th of this month. The venue is the parish centre. Each talk starts at 7:00 PM. This weekend, Mr. Kevin Barry and Mrs. Laura White will promote the talks. This will take place after each mass. The theme for this year is the Creed. Each Sunday, we profess our faith through the recitation of the Creed. It is good from time to time to reflect on what we believe in order to deepen and refresh our understanding of the tenants of the faith so as to remain rooted in the light of grace. If you have not made any plans for this Lent, here is an opportunity to enrich one's spiritual life. Faith comes through hearing.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** During Lent, the devotion of the stations of the cross takes place twice a week, Fridays and Sundays. The devotion on Fridays is led by the schoolchildren of St. Anselm's. This is open to the whole parish. The time of the devotion is 3:30 PM. On Sundays, the devotion takes place at 4:00 PM.

**PARISH MASS BOOK:** The new edition of the Liturgy has made a few changes. Before we commit ourselves to buy the new edition, we waited for some feedback from the congregation. There are five books to cover the full liturgical cycle. If we are to buy 200 mass books for each cycle, the cost will be £1,000 for one cycle. This week, a parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous, donated £750 towards the first purchase. It seems to me parishioners wish to avail themselves of the use of the mass books. Parishioners are free to contribute towards the overall expenditure. We hope this would be done over a period of months. The overall cost to buy the whole set is £5,000. We trust in God's providence and people's generosity. On behalf of the parish, a big thank you to the anonymous donor.

**CONFIRMATION:** Anyone over the age of twelve is eligible to enroll for the Sacrament of Confirmation. You may do so by using our enrolment form. These forms are on the table in the Church Porch. Once you fill the forms, you can hand it in after Mass or drop it at the Presbytery.

**SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS SESSION:** Father Pat, Maria and Jennie are hosting a safeguarding awareness session on Saturday 15th March 12:30 PM. Anyone who is interested in finding out more about St. Vincent's Safeguarding policy and approach are welcome. So that we can cater and have enough materials available please let us know if you're attending by e-mailing: [dartfordstvincentsg1@safeguardraos.org.uk](mailto:dartfordstvincentsg1@safeguardraos.org.uk).