



**St Margaret Mary,
Birmingham
Lent III
20th March, 2022**

Priest: ✠ In the name of the
Father and of the Son and of the
Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: **And with your Spirit.**

Confiteor: I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I
have failed to do, through my fault,
through my fault, through my most
grievous fault; therefore I ask
blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May Almighty God have
mercy upon us, forgive us our sins
and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Kyrie Eleison

Collect

First reading: Exodus 3.1-8, 13-15
Moses encounters God, the 'I AM'.

Psalm response: *The Lord is
compassion and love.*

Second reading: 1 Corinthians
10.1-6, 10-12. *Our ancestors drank
from the same spiritual rock and
that rock was Christ.*

Gospel acclamation: Praise to you
Lord Jesus Christ, *word of the
Father, Son of God. Repent, says
the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven
is close at hand.*

Gospel: Luke 13.1-9. *Jesus tells the
parable of the fig tree.*

Homily

Apostles Creed I believe in God,
the Father Almighty, Creator of
heaven and earth, and in Jesus
Christ, his only son, Our Lord, *who
was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
died and was buried; he descended
into hell; on the third day he rose
again from the dead; he ascended
into heaven, and is seated at the
right hand of the Father almighty;*

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Bidding Prayers

Offertory Pray Brethren that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of faith: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper of the Lamb.

All: **Lord I am not worthy that you**

should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Dismissal: Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.

Notices * Figures for 13/3/2022:
Loose: £143.70; Gift Aid £69; 2nd Collection Cafod £180.57.
Attendance: 196.

*Many in Ukraine have been reciting Psalm 31 each evening, so I suggest we join in solidarity with them when we can.

See: <https://youtu.be/gKM3U5TEXaA>

Psalm 31:
<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+31&version=RSVCE>

A second collection for Ukraine will take place on 20th and 27th March and 3 April.

Here is a link to the charity:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/helpukraine>

***Risen, Ascended, Glorified**, 17th-19th May. A lay conference and celebration of faith, hosted by the Ordinariate church in Torbay. The conference will be led by Mgr Keith Newton, with biblical reflections from Fr Michael Nazir Ali. Booking details can be found at:

<https://www.ourladyofwalsingham.online/risen-ascended-glorified>

Youtube video:

<https://youtu.be/XVViGnbiuMU>

* Litter pick at Witton Lakes is next on Saturday, 26th March. Meet at the orchard at 10am.

* Sycamore dates for 2022 are for meetings in the Newman Gallery at 6pm: 23/3; 6/4.

* For those recently arrived from Hong Kong: Please note we have a date and place for a meeting of Hong Kongers in North Birmingham and Sutton Coldfield. It will take place on Sunday 20th March at 3pm, in Holy Trinity Catholic Church and Centre, 69 Lichfield Road, Sutton Coldfield, B74 2NU. Booking for the meeting is required to Monsignor Daniel McHugh, Co-Ordinator Ethnic Chaplaincies:

coordinator.ethnic.chaplaincy@rcaob.org.uk

tel 0781 211 0640. The meeting is open to all, Catholic and non-Catholic.

* Pope Francis Apostleship of Prayer for March: A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges.

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

* The Portal magazine portalmag.co.uk is out on 1 March, which includes an article by Fr Simon. There is now a weekly podcast available on:

<https://soundcloud.com/user-666404058>

* For those unable to attend Fr Gabby Maguire's funeral, see https://youtu.be/CZ1N2P2hK_g

* **'Born for us'** (Stations of the Cross in music, words and drama) Thursday, 7th April at 6.30pm Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale (by pupils of Cardinal Wiseman School). Tickets £3 on the door, in aid of Lourdes Appeal.

* **Our foodbank:** Carmel Dowdall is on 07943 577638.

***Prayers for the departed:**

Theresa O'Donnell, John McGillen, John Hunter, Catherine Flynn, Vivian William D'Caccia, James Conway, Suzanne Wait, John Delaney, Fr Peter Clarke, Stella Iroegbunam, Rev Desmond Tutu, John Healy, Finola Moore, Janet Lodge, Jack Dromey MP, Shirley Cooney, Christopher Okorie, Sadie (Margaret) Shortall, Reginald Arnold, John Duffy, Aleykutty Joseph, Priscilla Frances Arnold, Veronica Lee, Bernard Coombs, Cherith Nicholl, Marjorie Sullivan, Fr Gabriel Maguire CSsR, Martha Keogh, Thomas Mackin, Chloe Gaskell, Ben Mullins RIP.

THIS WEEK *Fearless retreat 18-20 for our Young People at Alton Castle.* Saturday, 19th March. St Joseph. 6.30pm Vigil Mass. *Sale of Olive wood carvings from the Holy Land after all three weekend masses.*

Sunday, 20th March. **LENT III.** 9.30am Mass. 11am Mass. (2ND Collection for Ukraine). 4.30pm Evening Prayer, followed by talk on Doctors of the Church: St Alphonsus Ligouri. Fr Elias Gweme, CSSR, The Abbey Church, Erdington.

Monday, 21st March. 6.30pm Adoration and Benediction. 7pm Mass. (Nathan Simon). Padre Pio Prayer Group.

Tuesday, 22nd March. 8.55am Rosary. 9.15am Mass (Clare Lewis). 7pm Finance Committee meet in the Newman Gallery.

Wednesday, 23rd March. 8.35am Adoration. 9.15am Mass (Vocations to the Religious Life). 6pm Sycamore course.

Friday, 25th **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD.** 9.15am Mass (Rosaline Amaechi Ikwuka RIP). *'24 hours for the Lord' begins at 12 Noon across the world.* 6.30pm Stations of the Cross.

Saturday, 26th March. 6.30pm Vigil Mass (Gavin Laulor RIP).

Sunday, 27th March. **LENT IV.** 9.30am Mass. 11am Mass. (2ND Collection for Ukraine). 4.30pm Evening Prayer, followed by talk on Doctors of the Church: St Bede the Venerable. Ronald Crane, Co-Editor of the Portal Magazine.

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