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NEWSLETTER

Sunday 5th March 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (Year A)

WEEKEND MASSES: St. Augustine's Church: 6pm on Saturday 4th
Our Lady of Sorrows: 9.30am on Sunday 5th
St. Augustine's Church: 11am on Sunday 5th

WEEKDAY MASSES: St. Augustine's Church: Monday 9.30am, **Tuesday 9.00am**,
Wednesday 9.30am, Thursday 9.30am, and Friday 9.30am.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Will be held after the 9.30am Mass on Friday 10th

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 4th 6pm	Holy Souls	Tue 7th 9.00am	Holy Souls
Sun 5th 9.30am	People of the Parish	Wed 8th 9.30am	Holy Souls
Sun 5th 11am	Personal Intention	Thu 9th 9.30am	Holy Souls
Mon 6th 9.30am	Holy Souls	Fri 10th 9.30am	Holy Souls

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, John Lipscomb, Terri Nicoll, Fred Oufi, Nino Puma and Roger Stewart. Please pray also for those who are caring for them.

We have three from the Parish who are preparing for their **First Holy Communion** – George Purnell, Alexander Crichton and Nora Murray-Cusali. Let us keep them in our prayer.

THIS WEEKEND, THERE WILL BE A SECOND COLLECTION FOR CAFOD, FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL

CAFOD: This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give today using the envelope (to be found at the back of Church) or at cafod.org.uk/give and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world.

TEA/COFFEE AFTER MASS: There will not be tea / coffee after Sunday Masses this weekend, as we are holding our party for **Fr. Frank, at 12noon in St. Augustine's Hall.**

OFFERTORY: 26th February: £276 cash and £120 standing orders.

VACANCIES: Northampton Diocese have two vacancies. Please follow the links for more information Fundraising Manager: <https://tinyurl.com/nhe4d3em> and an Office Administrator: <https://tinyurl.com/3bnymh5b>

LENTEN RESOURCES: Lent is a fresh opportunity to start again with God. See the Pastoral Ministry's list of resources available on the Diocese website or follow the link for a list of Lenten practice ideas from 5 minutes a day to online events and retreats—something to suit everyone: <https://tinyurl.com/2p82s7ah>

FOODBANK – A SPECIAL APPEAL

Because of the very difficult times we are in at present, we know that many people are struggling as they have insufficient money to afford the essentials. We can help in some little way by being as generous as possible in relieving their anxiety by donating to the Foodbank. In general, the items that are most needed are basics items.

Food (Urgent): Soup, Long-life Fruit Juice, Tinned Meat (stewed steak, mince, chicken in sauce), Sponge Puddings, Tinned Carrots/Mixed Veg.

Toiletries and Basic Items: (Urgent): Deodorants, Disposable Razors, Shampoo, Shower gel/soap.

Always required: Tinned Fruit, Instant Mash, Instant Coffee (small jars), Tinned Fish, Toothpaste, Washing up liquid, Shaving foam/gel, Baby wipes, Strong Carrier Bags.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection. On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word. The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.

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