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SUNDAY 10 MARCH 2024 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Year B)

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH PRIEST	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
This Sunday's readings present a profound reflection on themes of longing for restoration, God's mercy. They invite us to contemplate our own lives in light of God's enduring patience and willingness to forgive. They challenge us to recognise our transgressions yet reassure us of the possibility of returning to God's grace.	Datchet	Sat 09	06.00pm	John Brudenell RIP
	Eton	Sun 10	09.30am	People of the Parish
	Datchet	Sun 10	11.00am	Joan Wilson RIP
	Datchet	Mon 11	09.30am	Alan Bunce RIP
	Datchet	Tue 12	09.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
	Datchet	Wed 13	09.30am	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Thu 14		NO MASS
	Datchet	Fri 15	09.30am	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Rosary: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.	Confession: Any Weekday after the Mass or by appointment.			
Benediction: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass.	Eucharistic Adoration: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am.			
Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent after the 9.30am Mass.				

On Friday 15 March Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 9.30am. There will not be a Holy Mass.

TEA/COFFEE: This Sunday after the 9.30am Mass in Eton, there will be tea/coffee served in Baldwin's Hall.

OFFERTORY: 02 / 03 March: Cash £243 SOs £230.

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Sheila Jones, Terri Nicoll, Nino Puma and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

JOAN WILSON RIP: Joan died on the evening of Sunday 3 March. She and her husband Jack, who predeceased her, worshipped for many years at St. Augustine's and were well known within our Parish community. Please pray for Joan and her family and friends. Once confirmed, an announcement will be made about the funeral arrangements.

PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF John Anthony Brudenell RIP. The funeral service will be held at Slough Crematorium at 1pm on Monday 11 March.

PASTORAL LETTER: Bishop David has written a series of Lenten Gospel reflections for each week of Lent. We will listen to them at weekend Masses throughout Lent.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE will be held on **Monday 25 March at St. Augustine's**. There will be a Mass at 6.30pm followed at 7pm by a Penitential Service with individual Confession.

LENTEN SOUP will be served in St. Augustine's Hall, after the 11am Mass on Sunday 17 March. All donations will be given to the CAFOD Lenten Appeal. Please come along and support.

CENTENARY JUBILEE OF ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH: Our Chapel was established in 1923 and 2023-2024 is our Parish Centenary. We are planning a Parish celebration with our Bishop on **SUNDAY 25 AUGUST 2024**. More details will follow, but in the meantime please save the date.

2024 HOLY WEEK SERVICES			
at St. Augustine's, Datchet & Our Lady of Sorrows, Eton			
Datchet	Sat 23 March	06.00pm	Palm Sunday Vigil Mass
Eton	Sun 24 March	09.30am	Palm Sunday Mass
Datchet	Sun 24 March	11.00am	Palm Sunday Mass
Datchet	Mon 25 March	06.30pm	Holy Mass
		07.00pm	Penitential Service & Confession
Eton	Thurs 28 March	06.00pm	Maundy Thursday Service
Datchet	Fri 29 March	09.30am	Stations of the Cross
Datchet	Fri 29 March	03.00pm	Good Friday Service
Datchet	Sat 30 March	08.00pm	Easter Vigil Mass
Eton	Sun 31 March	09.30am	Easter Sunday Mass
Datchet	Sun 31 March	11.00am	Easter Sunday Mass

PARISH PILGRIMAGE: We will be arranging a day pilgrimage for those parishioners who wish to participate. This will be part of our Parish Centennial celebrations. Further information will be provided after Easter.

CHRISM MASS: The Chrism Mass will be celebrated in Northampton Cathedral on Maundy Thursday, Thursday 28 March at 11am. All are very welcome to attend.

MISSION NORTHAMPTON: The Secrets of St Paul is a 10-week online course which began on Wednesday 10 January. It finishes on Wednesday 20 March. Participants will have an opportunity to reflect on the life of St. Paul as a model missionary disciple. For more information about joining the course, visit: www.northamptondiocese.org/courses or call 01604 434362

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT: Our diocese is organising a series of Life In The Spirit seminars, commencing on Tuesday 16 April. The seminars are designed as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. Participants are welcome to join live at Northampton Cathedral or from one of the 'Hub' locations around the diocese. For more information visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2024/>

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGES: In preparation for the Jubilee Year within this year of prayer, Bishop David and Canon John Udris will be leading a pilgrimage to **Northern France** from **15 to 22 October 2024**. Further information can be found at <https://northamptondiocese.org/france> Bookings open on Monday 18 March. Additionally, Bishop David will lead a pilgrimage to **Rome and Assisi** from **27 March to 3 April 2025**. Further information can be found at <https://northamptondiocese.org/rome-and-assis> Bookings open on Monday 18 March 2024. Information can also be found on the Notice Board in the Church.

THANK YOU FROM SLOUGH FOODBANK: Our donations to the Foodbank which weighed a total of **142Kg** in January and **90Kg** in February, have contributed greatly towards the food parcels given to families and individuals who are most in need in our local community.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

The need for donations of food and toiletries for the Slough Foodbank remains great. Please try and donate items to the Foodbank on a regular basis. Boxes for donations can be found in each Church.

The Foodbank's February Shopping List states the items needed are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned carrots, soup, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, long-life custard, long-life sponge puddings

Always required: tea, long-life rice pudding, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat

Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED

Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent: washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, child toothbrushes, nappies size 6+, 7 & 8

Always required: soap, toilet rolls, strong carrier bags