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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT (C) – 23 MARCH 2025

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
Sometimes God is leaving us with a good thought in His mind. He is patient and gives us time to produce the fruits of the Holy Spirit. This Lenten season is another opportunity for us to do this. We are called to embrace the themes of repentance and renewal with earnest hearts. Let us use this Lenten season as a time to cultivate our spiritual lives, seeking deeper communion with God through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Fr Shyju	Datchet	Sat 22	06.00pm	People of the Parish
	Eton	Sun 23	09.30am	Morin Hans RIP
	Datchet	Sun 23	11.00am	Sean, Cony & Morris Hill RIP
	Eton	Mon 24	06.30pm	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Tue 25	09.30am	Michael Joe RIP
	Datchet	Wed 26	10.30am	Requiem Mass - Colleen RIP
	Datchet	Thu 27	09.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
	Datchet	Fri 28	09.30am	Breda Doyle Int.
ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.	CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment			
BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			

LENTEN SOUP will be served in St. Augustine's *Jubilee Room* after the 11am Mass on Sunday. Please come along and meet with your fellow Parishioners. Donations will be requested to support CAFOD.

OFFERTORY: 15/16 March: Cash £149 SOs £210. Second Collection for CAFOD: £527; Lenten Soup £149

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend there will be a second collection at all masses for the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham.

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Janet Graham, Peter Keating, Sheila Jones, Terri Nicoll, Nino Puma, Eithne Reynolds, Tricia Rice, Elaine Shaw, Roger Stewart and Linda Webb. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

BAPTISM: This Sunday afternoon Gabriela Leonor Gouveia Gois will be baptised in St Augustine's. Kindly remember Gabriela and her parents Henrique & Lucy Gouveia in your prayers.

REQUIEM MASS FOR THE SOUL of Colleen Norma Le Fleur RIP who was a resident at Eton House for a long time. Her Requiem Mass will be held on Wednesday 26 March at 10.30am in St Augustine's. Kindly remember her husband, Michael, and family in your prayers.

FEASTS DAYS: This week the Church celebrates the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord on Tuesday 25 March. Mass will be at 9.30am at Datchet. Please also note the change of mass times on Monday and Wednesday this week.

WELCOME: Fr Rob Carey, a priest of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, has been appointed to be the Catholic Chaplain at Eton College. He takes up this post in April.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: will be prayed every Friday during Lent after the 9.30am Mass. During Lent Benediction will be every Thursday after the 9.30am Mass.

WALK WITH ME: A daily reflection booklet for Lent is available to collect from the back of church. This is a kind gift from Bishop David Oakley to help us on our journey through this Lenten season.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE: In preparation for Holy Week, a penitential service will be held on Tuesday 15 April at 7pm in St. Augustine's. There will be an opportunity for individual confession and priests will be available to assist with this. Please note the date in advance.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY RETREAT: The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Preparation for Divine Mercy Sunday Retreat at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Saturday 26th April 2025 from 10 am to 4:30 pm. The retreat will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Call Millie on 07957594646 for more info. Coaches from Slough, Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

JOIN CAFOD'S BIG LENT WALK IN THE JUBILEE YEAR

You are invited to join CAFOD's Big Lent Walk and journey together with Catholics in England, Wales and Scotland as Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year - walking 200km over 40 days during Lent. Journey to one of the churches or shrines designated as places of pilgrimage in our diocese as part of your Big Lent Walk. Every £1 you raise will support communities like Lokho's in Kenya, experiencing the worst impact of the climate crisis, to rebuild their lives in hope. Sign up here: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/>

SVP AND CAFOD WORK EXPERIENCE: The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) and CAFOD are collaborating to offer a week of free residential work experience for 20 young adults in England and Wales. The program will run from 22nd to 27th June in London. Candidates must have completed their first or second year at university and have a passion for social justice. Applications close on 20th April. For any queries, please contact KeziaH@svp.org.uk. More details and the application form can be found here: [SVP Work Experience Application](#).

ALTAR SERVERS RETREAT: Bishop David Oakley warmly invites all Altar Servers and their families to the annual Northampton Diocese Altar Servers Mass. This special celebration will take place at the Catholic Cathedral of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury in Northampton on Saturday, 28 June 2025, at 11:00 am. The Mass will be followed by refreshments in the St Thomas Centre.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

Boxes for donations can be found in each Church. The items on their Shopping List are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables, long life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, soup, long-life rice pudding.

Always required: tea, long life sponge puddings, 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.