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LAETARE SUNDAY IN LENT (C) - 30 MARCH 2025

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
Today's parable of the Prodigal Son also tells us about the elder son's reaction. This reminds us of our own struggles with forgiveness and resentment. It is easy to harbour feelings of injustice and jealousy when we feel others are receiving undeserved mercy. However, the father's response to the elder son challenges us to adopt a heart of compassion and forgiveness. We are called to celebrate the repentance and redemption of others, recognising that God's mercy extends to all who seek it. Fr Shyju	Datchet	Sat 29	06.00pm	Kathleen & Brendan Wall RIP
	Eton	Sun 30	09.30am	People of the Parish
	Datchet	Sun 30	11.00am	Margaret & Peter Bartlett
	Datchet	Mon 31	09.30am	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Tue 01	09.30am	Sona Francis Int
	Eton	Wed 02	06.30pm	Danny Gill RIP
	Datchet	Thu 03	09.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
	Datchet	Fri 04	09.30am	Deborah & Family Int
ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.	CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment			
BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			

TEA & COFFEE will be available on Sunday after the 09.30 am Mass in Eton and after the 11.00am Mass in Datchet in the *Jubilee Room*. Please come along and meet with your fellow Parishioners

OFFERTORY: 22/23 March: Cash £172 SOs £210.

SECOND COLLECTION: This 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.

LENTEN SOUP: Lenten Soup will be served in St. Augustine's *Jubilee Room* after the 11.00am Mass on 13 April. Please come along and meet your fellow parishioners. Donations will be requested to support CAFOD.

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 7.00pm 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 26 April 2025 from 10.00am to 4.30pm. 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 NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Join the St Vincent de Paul Society for a pilgrimage to Walsingham in this year of Jubilee. A wonderful occasion to gather members from all across Society, taking place on Sunday 6 July 2025. The day will include Mass, Anointing of the sick and Benediction. Full details, including how to register, can be found on the flyer. If you have any questions, get in contact: bethant@svp.org.uk

WOMEN OF HOPE: A Special Diocesan Gathering: The Women in Ministry group in the Diocese of Northampton are running a special event on Saturday 19 July 2025 at St Mary's Woburn Sands from 11.00am-4.00pm. Join us for 'Women of Hope', an opportunity for women across the Diocese to gather, share and celebrate the stories of our ministries past and present. We are delighted to welcome Avril Baigent who will share her experiences of the Synod in Rome and lead us in a synodal listening process. Bishop David will also be joining us for the day and the final liturgy. All are welcome! Sign-up using the following link: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese/1600230>

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 11.00am. 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.