



Sunday 26th March 2023

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Jesus reminds us many times that, if we have faith, nothing is impossible. The raising of Lazarus echoes that of Jesus dying on the cross and coming back to life. Jesus weeping at the death of Lazarus is mirrored by his agony in Gethsemane before he is crucified. Despite all of the trials and challenges we may face we can have confidence and depend on the promises of God to bring healing, hope, renewal and new life. No matter how dark times may seem God will, in his own time, answer our prayers.


The Stockton Sing ~ Thursday, 30th March at 5.30pm to be hosted at Our Lady and St. Bede's. This is a concert featuring choirs from five of our Stockton - based Trust schools to raise money for The Stockton Hope Project. Tickets are £2 and they can be purchased from www.ticketsource.co.uk/ourladyandstbede. This promises to be a wonderful event and we would love to see as many of you as possible on this special evening. Thank you from pupils and staff at Our Lady and St. Bede Catholic Academy.

A sincere thank you to everyone for all support and donations that contributed to a wonderful celebration for Canon Cooper's Golden Jubilee. Please note any crockery and cloths used on the day and left, may be picked up at the Hall Kitchen on Sunday after Mass.

The investigation commissioned by the Dicastery for Bishops has issued a survey to be completed by parishioners. Please note that the survey closes **this Monday 27th March** and can be accessed at <https://forms.gle/wevQ6zrj1t8SCxNq5> or by visiting the Diocesan website. This is an anonymous survey, all answers are provided in complete confidence, and you are asked to give your own individual views

The Refugee and Asylum Seeker Project are urgently appealing for donations of suitcases, pots, pans and crockery. If you have a donation please ring Karen on 07759984586. Sincere Thanks

<div>    </div> HOLY WEEK LITURGIES <div>  </div>		
Wednesday 5 th April	Confessions with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St. Patrick's ~ 6-7.30pm
Holy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper Following Mass at St Mary's ~ Watching with the Lord at St Patrick's	St. Mary's ~ 6.00pm Till 11.00pm
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross for Children Celebration of the Lord's Passion	St. Patrick's ~ 11.00am St. Cuthbert's ~ 3.00pm
Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil	St. Patrick's ~ 8.00pm

5 th Sunday of Lent			
26	Sunday	9.00am	Joe Gallagher
27	Monday	9.15am	Birthday Thanksgiving
28	Tuesday		
29	Wednesday		
30	Thursday	1.00pm 6.00pm	Requiem Mass ~ Dave Callaghan Stations of the Cross and Exposition
31	Friday	9.15am	Mary Douglas
1	Saturday	9.15am	Special Intention
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord			
2	Sunday	9.00am	Fred & Bessie Cain
Anniversaries:		Joe Gallagher, Thomas Cooper	
		Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Mary Talbot, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Brian Lee, Kathleen Hanley	
Reader for Sunday 2 nd April ~ Joan Hunton			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



Please keep the children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, and their families, in your prayers.

The SPUC Group will be leading the Stations of the Cross this Thursday, 30th March.

A collection for the Catholic community in the Holy Land (Holy Places) will be taken next Sunday, 2nd April.

The planned giving envelopes for 2023/2024 can be collected from the back of church. If anybody would like a set of envelopes, to Gift Aid contributions or to arrange a Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office, 01642 580171.

Collections are taking place of Red Mission box monies. If you have a red box and do not have a collector please bring it to St Patrick's Church after Mass this Sunday or Sunday 2nd April, alternatively leave at parish shop. If you would like a red box in your home or to make a donation contact Veronica & John Bowron or go direct to the website mission.org.uk.

SPUC Club Draw Result ~ 19th March, 2023: 1st Prize, No. 56, Billy Barker: **2nd Prize,** No. 42, Sue Hepworth, **3rd Prize** No. 38, Brian Kennedy. Many thanks to all who support the Club Draw, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

The Vicariate for Faith & Mission has now produced the second booklet of Lenten Reflections. The dedicated Lenten reflection page can be found by selecting 'Menu' on the Diocesan website and then Lent 2023.