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1st March 2026

Second 'Transfiguration' Sunday of Lent

Year A

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

*Glory and praise to you, O Christ.
Even now, says the Lord, return to me
with all your heart, for I am gracious
and merciful.
Glory and praise to you, O Christ.*

From Father Graham

God has a special task for you. This task comes with a promise.

For Abram it was to leave his country and go to the promised land. God chose prophets, men and women with messages and tasks to complete in His name. Jesus chooses apostles and disciples and equips them for the missionary task that still continues today. Jesus chose three apostles: Peter, James and John (by themselves), to witness special moments of healing or revelation. The Transfiguration is one of them. They see who Jesus really is in all His glory - a vision of heaven. They didn't understand it fully, how could they? It took time to reflect on its meaning. But they didn't forget. It took the traumatic events of the Passion of Jesus for them to realise that the revelation was to strengthen them and give understanding as to the purpose of Jesus' and their suffering.

Similarly, three children: Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco were chosen to see and hear our Heavenly Mother in Fatima in 1917. The purpose? To warn the world of the consequences of not listening and responding to Jesus. The message is still urgent, if not more so, today. This heavenly encounter with the Mother of God changed their lives. They all completed their tasks given to them and the promise too. Jesus has chosen this parish and YOU with the task of being apostles of this urgent message. PLEASE come and bring someone to next weekend's Fatima visit. It comes with a promise.

With my prayer for you every day this Lent. May God bless you. Fr Graham.

Second 'Transfiguration' Sunday of Lent

Mass Intention

Sat 28 Feb	10.00	SP	Mass & Rosary	Irene & Gerard KIELTY RIP
Sat 28 Feb	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass (for Sunday)	Veronica BENNETT RIP
Sun 1 Mar	09.00	SP	Mass	Tony ROLPH RIP
	11.00	CTK	Mass	For all Parishioners
Mon 2 Mar	09.00	SP	Adoration	
<i>Monday of the Second Week of Lent</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	Healing: Donald, Xi, Susie, Vladimir & Charles
	10.00	SP	Rosary	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	Zoom	Rosary	
Tue 3 Mar	09.30	CTK	Stations of the Cross	
<i>Tuesday of the Second Week of Lent</i>	10.00	CTK	Mass	Emile & Valentine ALOÉ RIP
	10.30	CTK	Adoration & Confessions	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Wed 4 Mar	10.00	SP	Way of the Cross	
	10.00	CTK	Funeral Liturgy: Maureen Van Ryssen RIP	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	Thur 5 Mar	09.00	SP	Adoration
<i>Thursday of the Second Week of Lent</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	Ints of Mary WHITEHEAD
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	SP	Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Confessions	
	Fri 6 Mar	09.00	SP	Stations of the Cross
<i>Friday of the Second Week of Lent</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	For our Parish Prayer Intentions
	10.00	SP	Lent Holy Hour of Adoration & Confessions	
	14.00	SP	World Day of Prayer Liturgy	
	15.00	Zoom	Divine Mercy Chaplet	with Stations of the Cross
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Sat 7 Mar	10.00	SP	Mass	Diovic DIVINAGRACIA, Nieves & Arnel VILLEN RIP
<i>First Saturday</i>	(until 17.00)		Rosary, Divine Mercy, Benediction (see timetable)	

Third Sunday of Lent

Sat 7 Mar	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass (for Sunday)	For all Parishioners
Sun 8 Mar	09.00	SP	Mass	Ints of Julia BOXALL
	11.00	CTK	Mass	World Apostolate of Fatima

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Parish Office open Thursdays 09.00—13.00

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Please email/telephone to book an appointment at other times.

TT | The Towers Convent, Upper Beeding, BN44 3TF

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OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT WITH YOUR FAITH

Welcome to any newcomers or visitors to our Parish

Where are you on your faith journey? Do you have questions? Maybe it is useful for you to know that no one has all the answers. God does. We are all growing in faith, day by day. God bless you. We have a group, 'Come & See', for people to come and discuss/learn more about our faith and ask questions in an informal setting (see posters and leaflets in the porch).



Next session: Tues 10th March 2026, 7.30pm. We will be discussing The Sacrament of Penance. All are welcome.

From YouCat Daily

<https://www.youcat.org/daily>

493: What are the characteristics of Christian prayer?

Christian prayer is prayer in the attitude of faith, hope, and charity. It is persevering and resigns itself to the will of God.

Someone who prays as a Christian steps at that moment out of himself and enters into an attitude of trusting faith in the one God and Lord; at the same time, he places all his hope in God—that HE will hear, understand, accept, and perfect him. St. John Bosco once said, "To know the will of God, three things are required: prayer, waiting, taking counsel." Finally, Christian prayer is always an expression of love, which comes from Christ's love and seeks the divine love.

Parish Prayer Intentions: please bring them to church

Throughout Lent, please bring your personal prayer intentions to our Prayer Boxes (both at St Peter's and CTK).

At St Peter's, we already have the Prayer Tree, located in the Divine Mercy Chapel, which is regularly used by parishioners and visitors throughout the day. We have added a Prayer Box here, and one at CTK (next to the votive candles).

You are warmly invited to write your personal prayer intentions on a small card and place them in the Prayer Box. If you are unable to get to church, you can email them to the office for inclusion, or via the contact form on our website.

The names and intentions placed in the Prayer Boxes and on the Prayer Tree will be offered at the First Friday Mass, united to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. After this Mass, the Prayer Box will be refreshed for the following month. Please note: the prayer intentions will remain private. They will not be read aloud. *The aim is to ensure that our intentions remain current and meaningful.*

Unwrapping our Faith - What are Stations of the Cross?

At a station we wait or we stop. It is a pause on our journey. The last earthly journey that Jesus made, His *Via Dolorosa*, was marked with moments where Jesus paused carrying His cross. It is where the disciples recalled that certain things happened - a fall, a tender moment, a helping hand, a horrific blow or painful cry. Afterwards, the disciples would walk the same path along the narrow streets of Jerusalem in a way to remind them but bring them closer to their Saviour. These pauses were filled with prayer and in time song, in groups or individually. As believers spread from Jerusalem these moments and prayers came with them to our buildings. We can join Jesus on His last journey to Calvary.

See next page for a list of Stations of the Cross opportunities in the parish.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please bring your personal prayer intentions to the new Prayer Boxes at SP and CTK (see left for details).

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen Van Ryssen RIP whose funeral is on Wednesday 4th March (this week) at 10am at CTK. May she rest in peace.

Please pray for our 1st Holy Communion families, Confirmation candidates, Come and See group and Enquirers, Saint Peter's school and our catholic schools, peace, and vocations.

Pope Leo's Prayer Intentions for Lent

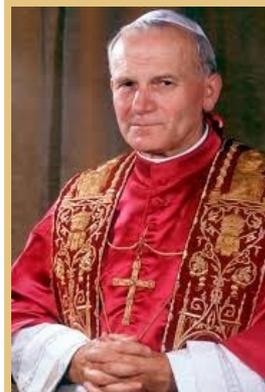


A focus on making the season a time to increase attentiveness to God and those in need, emphasising a "fast" that includes curbing harmful speech and fostering a "civilisation of love". He urges the faithful to use this time to listen to others, support the vulnerable, and build bridges of fraternity.

From Right to Life

Let us pray for new parents and grandparents, that they may manifest the love and mercy of God to their children and grandchildren.

Saint Pope John Paul II prayed...



After these weeks of penance, we will experience the joy of Easter. Our eyes, purified by prayer and penance, will be able to behold with greater clarity the face of the living God.

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PARISH NEWS

EVENTS & NOTICES

Sat 28	SP, 9.30am: First Holy Communion children's session 3
Sun 1 Mar	2nd Collection: CAFOD CTK Cuthman Room, 12.00pm: SVP fundraiser
Thu 5	SP Parish Room, 10.00am: Coffee pop-in
6 Mar	SP Parish Room, 10.00: Mother's Prayers SP, 2.00pm: World Day of Prayer (with refreshments afterwards)
Sat 7 & Sun 8	World Apostolate of Fatima England & Wales visiting the parish (see back page for full timetable).
Future dates for your diary	
12 Mar	OLQP Community Lunch Club followed by Healing Service at St Peter's
14 Mar	St Patrick's Day Community Party in Henfield (see poster for details)
23 Apr	Afternoon Tea for St George's Day at St Peter's

Devotions, Adoration and Confessions

Rosary: Monday (SP) 10.00 & (Zoom) 19.30; Saturday (SP) after Mass

Confessions: Tuesday (CTK) 10.30; Thursday (SP) 19.30; Friday (SP) 10.00; or by appointment or request

Adoration: Monday (SP) 09.00; Tuesday (CTK) 10.30; Thursday (SP) 09.00; Thursday (SP) 19.30; Friday (SP) 10.00

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Thursday (SP) 20.00; Friday (Zoom) 15.00 (with Stations)

Stations of the Cross: Tuesday (CTK) 09.30; Wednesday (SP) 10.00; Friday (SP) 09.00; Friday (TT) 18.00

World Apostolate of Fatima: 7-8 March 2026

We are honoured to be the first parish in 2026 to host a visit of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, along with the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco.

This is a wonderful opportunity to have an insight into Fatima. There will be mass, rosary, meditation, confessions, Divine Mercy, films and items to buy. 9.45am until 4.45pm (please bring a packed lunch; tea & coffee will be available). Full timetable overleaf. All are welcome.



CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day 2nd collection this Sunday

This Lent, live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table.



Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. Collect a CAFOD envelope to bless others with your support, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.

World Day of Prayer, Friday 6th March, 2.00pm at St Peter's

We are hosting this year's service at St Peter's, which has been prepared by the women of Nigeria and the theme is " I will give you rest, come...". The service will be followed by light refreshments in the Parish Room afterwards. All are welcome.



SVP Spring Appeal: 15th March 2026

The SVP offers friendship & practical help to those in need - whoever they are & whatever the need. You may be housebound, simply need someone to chat to or need help with a small task. You may have a crisis where a little help with the cost of something essential could make a big difference. You may need advice. If we can't provide the particular help you are looking for we will try to find someone who can.

For SVP help, or if you are thinking of joining us, please talk to one of us after Mass on the Appeal weekend. Thank you for your continued support.

Mother's Prayers: Friday 6th March, 10.00am

Calling all mothers, including spiritual mothers, godmothers and grandmothers. You are invited to come and prayer for our children. Every First Friday of the Month, 10.00-11.00am, in the Parish Room at St Peter's.



Lent Foodbank Appeal

Please bring items for 'Personal Hygiene' this week. Next week will be 'Meal in a Tin'. Thank you for your support.



Lenten Alms

Our Lenten Alms collections and donations will be distributed equally between our local SVP project at St Charles Borromeo and also Let the Children Live, a priest helping Columbian street children, see [here](#). Collections throughout Lent.



VISITATION OF THE NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE (NPVS) OF *Our Lady of Fatima* AND THE RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA AND FRANCISCO

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Adur Valley BN43 5WG

7 March 2026 (first Saturday)

- 0950H: Procession and Enthronement of the NPVS of Our Lady of Fatima and the Relics of Saints Jacinta & Francisco Marto
- 1000H: Holy Mass
With the Prayer of re-Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 1050H: Tea break
- 1120H: 15 minutes meditation
- 1135H: Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary
- 1200H: Veneration of the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco
- 1215H: Lunch
- 1315H: Holy Hour with Confessions
- 1415H: Benediction
- 1425H: Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 1435H: Tea break
- 1500H: Showcase of Fatima Programmes / Initiatives
Station 1: Fatima Prayer Cell
Station 2: COTE/YMM
Station 3: Promoters
Station 4: Home Pilgrim Statue Visitation
- 1630H: Enrolment and Investiture of the Brown Scapular
- 1645H: End of day 1.

8 March 2026, Sunday

- 0900H: Holy Mass (St Peter)
- 1000H: Veneration of the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco
- 1100H: Holy Mass (Christ the King)
- 1200H: End of visitation.



For more information, please contact the parish or visit the parish website.



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