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15th March 2026

Fourth 'Lætare' Sunday of Lent

Year A

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

From Father Graham

Last Sunday we saw how the Samaritan woman at the well grew in faith by believing in Jesus. Today, the man born blind has a similar journey of faith except he didn't see Jesus at all until after Jesus had given him sight.

As before, Jesus knew everything about this man. He knew (contrary to Jewish thought) that neither he nor his parents had sinned and that sin was not the cause of his birth blindness. The glory of God was to come about through his blindness, some saliva, mud and spring water. Jesus is always ready to come to our aid and get His hands dirty!

What had this man to lose except to go and wash in the clean, living ritual waters? His cleansing revealed something about Jesus and himself. That Jesus is the spring of living water that, as the Messiah, washes the dirt of sin that clings to the soul. Also, that obedience to faith brings clear sight - not of the things of this world but of the spirit.

Everyone, even his parents, were too afraid to say publicly who Jesus was and what He had done. We still are. We are afraid of the repercussions from friends, family, society and even the law. Only the healed man who was blind was willing to speak of Jesus' divinity and say "I believe" and worship Him. It didn't win him any friends, only salvation. Obedience to faith brings healing.

God does not see as we see. God looks at the heart. Let us increasingly look from the heart rather than with the eyes of the body and see as God sees.

With my prayer for you each day and for all mothers.

May God bless you. Fr Graham

Fourth 'Lætare' Sunday of Lent

Mass Intention

Sat 14 Mar	10.00	SP	Mass & Rosary	<i>Ints of Daisy Cunningham</i>
Sat 14 Mar	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass <i>(for Sunday)</i>	<i>Veronica Bennett RIP</i>
Sun 15 Mar	09.00	SP	Mass	<i>Deirdre & Richard Duplock RIP</i>
	11.00	CTK	Mass	<i>For all Parishioners</i>
Mon 16 Mar	09.00	SP	Adoration	
<i>Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent</i>	09.30	SP	Mass & Rosary	<i>Ints of Louise O'Kelly</i>
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	Zoom	Rosary	
Tue 17 Mar	09.30	CTK	Stations of the Cross	
<i>Saint Patrick</i>	10.00	CTK	Mass	<i>Souls of the Faithful Departed RIP</i>
	10.30	CTK	Adoration & Confessions	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Wed 18 Mar	10.00	SP	Way of the Cross	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Thur 19 Mar	09.00	SP	Adoration	
<i>Saint Joseph</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	<i>Sister Pauline Boase RIP</i>
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	SP	Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Confessions	
Fri 20 Mar	09.00	SP	Stations of the Cross	
<i>Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	<i>Ints of Louise O'Kelly</i>
	10.00	SP	Lent Holy Hour of Adoration (no Confessions)	
	15.00	Zoom	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>with Stations of the Cross</i>	
<i>Day of abstinence</i>	16.30	TT	Mass	
	18.00	TT	Stations of the Cross	

Fifth 'First Passion' Sunday of Lent

Sat 21 Mar	17.30	TT	Vigil Mass <i>(for Sunday)</i>	<i>For all Parishioners</i>
Sun 22 Mar	09.00	SP	Mass	<i>Ray Brooks RIP</i>
	11.00	CTK	Mass	<i>Michael Donlevy RIP</i>

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please continue to bring your personal prayer intentions to the new Prayer Boxes at SP and CTK. These prayer intentions will next be offered at the Easter Vigil mass at St Peter's on 4th April.

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PARISH NEWS

PRAYER INTENTIONS, EVENTS, NOTICES

Please pray for our 1st Holy Communion children as they prepare to make their First Confessions

Please also pray for our Confirmation candidates, Come and See group and Enquirers, Saint Peter's school and our catholic schools, peace, vocations and Pope Leo's prayer intentions for Lent.

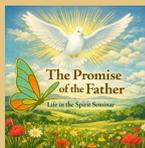
From Right to Life

As we celebrate the Solemnity of St Joseph on Thursday, let us pray for all fathers, that, through their example, they may demonstrate the loving provision and compassion of Almighty God to their children.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Event. Rows include Sat 14 (SP, 9.30am: 1st Holy Communion session), Sun 15 (SVP Appeal), Wed 18 (CTK Cuthman Room, 12.00pm: Lent lunch), Thu 19 (SP Parish Room, 10.00am: Coffee pop-in), Sat 21 (Please note; no mass at St Peter's today), Sun 22 (2nd Collection: for Easter Flowers), Future dates for your diary (5 Apr: Easter Egg Raffle and Easter Egg Hunt at St Peter's; 23 Apr: Afternoon Tea for St George's Day at St Peter's).

The Promise of the Father Life in the Spirit Seminar from Redhill, April 2026

This journey over seven sessions is an opportunity to deepen your relationship with Jesus and to experience anew the abundant power of His Holy Spirit. Each session includes inspiring teaching from excellent speakers, personal testimonies, small group sharing and prayer. See poster for details of how to register.



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.

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 this weekend. Thank you for your continued support.



CTK Hearing Aid Loop

The fault with the Hearing Aid Loop at CTK has been resolved. The settings for the new amplifier may not be optimum so any feedback on its performance would be appreciated. Thank you, Deacon Simon.

Unwrapping our Faith - do I need to go to confession?

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession, Penance) assures us of the forgiveness of God. We might think that we can go to God directly ourselves, and we can and should. But, when we make a daily confession like this, we are asking for God to forgive us, just as we do at the beginning of Mass. When we go to sacramental confession with a Priest, we celebrate the power and fruits of Jesus' death and resurrection. Jesus said to Peter that we can be assured of our forgiveness in this sacrament and He gave authority to priests to do so in HIS name. Only God can forgive sins. If we are sorry, do not want to commit the sin again and intend to do so, then we are REALLY forgiven. Just as at our baptism our souls are washed clean in the blood of Jesus. We are given new life. We should try to go to confession regularly, for venial sins and especially grave sins. God is waiting to pour His mercy into our hearts.

Thank you: Fr Graham writes...

We have had a few important events in our parish over the last week, notably the World Day of Prayer, the WAF visitation and the Healing Service. I felt immensely proud of the teamwork, welcome and hospitality, and prayer of parishioners.



From YouCat Daily

https://www.youcat.org/daily

468: What should a person yearn for most?

The ultimate and greatest longing of a person can only be for God. To see him, our Creator, Lord, and Redeemer, is unending blessedness.

Saint Teresa of Ávila prayed...

Whoever carries out any work against obedience, however good and holy it may be in itself, does not act on the inspiration of God, as he may flatter himself, but on the impulse of the evil enemy, because the inspiration of God is always in harmony with obedience.

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