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1<sup>st</sup> March 2026

2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

**ST GEORGE'S MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**

Sat 28 Feb	5.30 pm	Annie McCandless RIP, 24th anniversary
Sun 01 Mar	9.30 am	People of the Parish
Mon 02 Mar	9.30 am	Sp. Intention for Stephanie Scanlon on the occasion of her baptism
Tues 03 Mar	9.30 am	Donor's intention, in thanksgiving St Anthony
Wed 04 Mar	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Thu 05 Mar	9.30 am	For world peace
	6.00 pm	Reception into church of Peter Kavanagh RIP
Fri 06 Mar		<b>NO 9.30 am MASS</b>
	10.30 am	Requiem, Peter Kavanagh RIP
Sat 07 Mar	9.30 am	People of the Parish
	5.30 pm	Margaret Ellis RIP
Sun 08 Mar	9.30 am	Margaret Freeman RIP, anniversary

**GOSPEL REFLECTION:**

Each of the Synoptic Gospels refers to the Transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor (Matthew 17:1-8, Mark 9:2-13 and Luke 9:28-36). John doesn't but Peter does in his second letter. 'For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honour and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice...., for we were with him in the holy mountain' (2 Peter 1:16-18).

The transfiguration is a glimpse of the life beyond the veil, the hope and promise of eternal life. This is a great mystery but one we can touch and penetrate. Rather like Rudyard Kipling's poem 'I Keep Six Honest Serving Men' we have to be inquisitive, probing and unafraid to ask questions. 'I keep six honest serving-men (They taught me all I knew); their names are What and Why and When and How and Where and Who.' St Paul employed two of these men. 'How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?' (1 Corinthians 15:35). There are earthy bodies and there are heavenly bodies (1 Corinthians 15:40). We do not lose heart, our nature is being renewed every day (2 Corinthians 4:16). But every day isn't a mountain top experience for 'we must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God' (Acts 14:22). Our pilgrimage is one of transformation and hope, and as we eat the Lord's Body and drink his Blood in the Eucharist we rejoice that we 'are being changed into his likeness from one degree of glory to another (2 Cor.3:18).

*'For by the sacrifice of his own body, he (Jesus) did two things. He put an end to the law of death which barred our way; and he made a new beginning of life for us, by giving us hope of resurrection.'*  
(St Athanasius)

**CYCLE OF PRAYER DURING LENT, we pray for these intentions:**

For candidates for the Sacraments, especially on the Sundays of Lent.  
For women, especially on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March (Women's World Day of Prayer).

For the needy and hungry of the world, especially on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, CAFOD Lent Fast Day.  
For penitents and wanderers.

**CATHOLIC POST & CATHOLIC NEWS – Free Papers**

Lots of interesting articles and reports on different activities in our diocese of Nottingham and further afield.  
It is good to get a sense of what is happening in the wider church.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)  
on Saturday 10.15-10.45 am.**

**SAINTS THIS WEEK:**

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> March: St Casimir

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March: Ss Perpetua & Felicity, martyrs

**SECOND COLLECTION:** CAFOD envelopes to be collected and any donations.

**HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR MARCH**

*For Disarmament and Peace:* Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, especially nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Fridays before the 9.30 am Mass. Starts at 8.45 am. To be led by parishioners.

**Be a Blessing**

*I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. Genesis 12:2*  
The Lord desires greatness for us – to become holy and saints. We don't necessarily want the Lord to make our name great – we value humility – but we should desire to become a blessing to others.

Before we can bless others, we must first recognise how we've been blessed by God and those around us. We've received countless blessings: life, faith, hope, love, joy and peace. Can you recall how God has blessed you? Or how someone has inspired your life with kindness?  
Think of Peter, James and John at the Transfiguration. (see Matthew 17: 1-9) What a blessing to witness that glory. Later, after Jesus' death and resurrection, they were sent to share the blessing of his life with the world.  
Who is God asking you to bless today, tomorrow or next week? And to whom have you already been a blessing? This Lent bless someone with your presence, your encouragement, your love or your service.

**THE ENABLING MISSION CAMPAIGN AND BISHOP**

**PATRICK'S 5-YEAR PLAN:** Sincere thanks to all who have given and pledged their support. We look forward to more parishioners supporting as you study the packs sent out. May God bless all our efforts to make Our Lord Jesus more widely known and loved, for he is the saviour of the world, the King of Kings and the Lord of life and hope and love.

**PARISH PRAYER MEETINGS**

Mother's Prayers meets every Monday in church after Mass. All welcome.  
On Thursdays from 2.45 pm a prayer group prays the Divine Mercy, the Rosary and prayers for peace. All are welcome.

**A FEW THOUGHTS ON THE EUCHARIST:** The Eucharist is the source and summit of the life of the Church, of the life of Christians. In the Holy Eucharist is contained all the spiritual good of the church, the people of God, namely Jesus Christ our Passover. For on that first Easter by his cross and resurrection he enabled us to be set free of sin and evil and to journey towards eternal life. By our Eucharistic celebration we already unite ourselves with the heavenly liturgy of love and praise of God our heavenly father and we anticipate eternal life when God will be all in all.