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Third Sunday of Lent (Page 155)



In the Gospel reading we have just heard (Jn 2:13-25), we see how Jesus drove out from the Temple in Jerusalem the moneychangers and all the buyers and sellers. Why did Jesus do something this forceful and provocative? He did it because the

Father sent him to cleanse the temple: not only the Temple of stone, but above all the temple of our heart. Jesus could not tolerate his Father's house becoming a marketplace (cf. Jn 2:13-25). ...

Our heart must be cleansed, put in order and purified. Of what? Of the falsehoods that stain it, from hypocritical duplicity. ... We need the baneful temptations of power and money to be swept from our hearts and from the Church. To cleanse our hearts, we need to dirty our hands, to feel accountable and not to simply look on while our brothers and sisters are suffering. How do we purify our hearts? By our own efforts, we cannot; we need Jesus. He has the power to conquer our evils, to heal our diseases, to rebuild the temple of our heart.

Pope Francis homily 3rd Sun of Lent Apostolic Journey to Iraq, March 7, 2021

With the Feast of Saint Frances of Rome falling on a Saturday I thought I would we would adopt a custom associated with her feast which is the **blessing of motor vehicles** . This will be held on the carpark at 10 am and should last no longer than 10-15 minutes.





Could You Become an Auxiliary of the Legion of Mary?

The Legion of Mary are looking for new auxiliary members. An Auxiliary is a prayer partner who commits to a daily routine of praying five decades of the rosary and a five-minute Legion Prayer. It may not sound a lot, but you might be surprised at just how far your prayers can go! The graces

which the World receives via those prayers can be great indeed. We know, because we have seen them in action. Auxiliary or praying members help to provide the very foundation which allows us to do God's Will. If you want to help further the kingdom of God in a simple but profound way, why not become an auxiliary.

If you are interested in becoming an auxiliary, please email your contact details to Matthew Entwistle entwistlematthew@hotmail.com or call 01925 210218 / 07398556778.

Saint John of God, I honour thee as the Patron of the Sick, especially of those who are afflicted by heart disease.

I choose thee to be my patron and protector in my present illness. To thee I entrust my soul, my body, all my spiritual

and temporal interests, as well as those of the sick throughout the world. I consecrate my mind, that in all

things it may be enlightened by faith above all in accepting my cross as a blessing from God; my heart, that thou doth

keep it pure and fill it with the love for Jesus and Mary

that burned in thy heart; my will, that like thine, it may always be one with God's will.



Good Saint John, I honour thee as the model of penitents, for thou didst receive the grace to give up a sinful life and to atone for thy sins by untiring labours on behalf of the poor and sick. Obtain for me the grace from God to be truly sorry for my sins, to make atonement for them and never again offend God. Aid me in mastering my evil inclinations and temptations, and in avoiding all occasions of sin. Through thine intercession may I obtain the grace from Jesus and Mary to fulfil faithfully all the duties of my state of life and to practice those virtues which are needful for my salvation. Help me to belong to God and Our Lady in life and in death through perfect love. May my life, like thine, be spent in the untiring service of God and my neighbour.

Since Holy Mother Church also invokes thee in her prayers for the dying, I beg thee to be with me in my last hour and pray for me. As thou didst die kneeling before a crucifix, may I find strength, consolation and salvation in the Cross of my Redeemer, and through His tender mercy and the prayers of Our Lady, and through thine intercession, attain to eternal life. Amen.



Lent Retreat: The materials appear day by day on a dedicated website: <https://finding-god-in-all-things.gator.site/>



Envelopes will be available throughout Lent so that we can contribute our Lenten Alms for this cause.



Teas and Coffees will be served by Team C after the 5.30pm Mass on 2nd March and following the 9 am and 11 am Masses on Sunday 17 March



The life of any parish is enriched when its members find ways of contributing to its shared life. Some roles are more public as part of the liturgy; welcomers, readers, servers, ministers of the Eucharist. Others a little bit more behind the scenes; piety stall, school

governor, parish administration, preparing young people for the sacraments, leading Little Church gatherings, hospitality, church cleaning and decoration. Added to this are the Legion of Mary and the Saint Vincent de Paul Society who blend prayer and public service in a variety of ways. We are truly blessed with those who fulfil these roles, and we are very well served by their involvement. I mention this not because we have a pressing need for recruits but to emphasise that we are always willing to speak with those who might be interested in a greater level of involvement. I am particularly eager to see increased participation by those who have joined us in recent months, especially if you bring with you a similar experience from your previous parishes. Young and not so young, females as well as males, whatever ethnicity, or lifestyle, please feel welcome to speak with me so we can discern what contribution you might be able to make.

*Yet Lord instruct us to improve our fast
By starving sin and taking such repast,
As may our faults control:
That every man may revel at his door,
Not in his parlour; banqueting the poor,
And among those his soul.* George Herbert

2 -3 MARCH – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT – PAGE 155

Sat 2 March	5.30 pm	Bridie Delooze (Anniversary) RIP
Sunday 3 March	9.00 am 11.00 am 4.00 pm	Johana Ryan RIP Henry McNicholas RIP Lent Holy Hour - Retreat
Mon 4 March	10.00 am	Liturgy of Word & Communion
Tues 5 March		No Services
Wed 6 March		No Services
Thursday 7 March	6.30pm 7.00 am	Quiet Time Liturgy of Word & Communion
Friday 8 March	9.00 am	Liturgy of Word & Communion

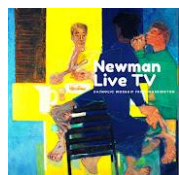
9 - 10 MARCH – FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT – PAGE 162

Sat 9 March	10.00am 5.30 pm	Blessing of Motor Vehicles (St Frances of Rome) Diane Thomson
Sunday 10 March	9.00 am 11.00 am 4.00 pm	Joseph Lawler RIP B/day Remembrance And All Grieving Mothers A Miriam Jones RIP B Richard Walter Ellis RIP (Anniversary) Lent Holy Hour - Retreat



KINDLY REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: **Kathleen Brennan, Joan Croughton** and **Joan Johnson** who died this last week, as well as those requesting our prayers including: *John & Marie Clowes, Harry Challoner, Margaret Daintith, Harold Entwistle, Mary Finn, Tony Graham, Rita Hutson, Barbara Lynskey, Rita Mahon, Kathleen Mannion, Roger Maxwell, Gerard Moulding, Christine Moores, Marcos Sala, Meryl & Tony Wernham, Tony Wright, Gordon Whittaker, & Carol Worsley.*

The Funeral Mass for **Kathleen Brennan** will be on Thursday 14 March at 12.45 and the Funeral Mass for **Miriam Jones** will be on Friday 15 March at 12 noon. **Joan Croughton's** Funeral service takes place at Walto Lea Crematorium on Monday 18 March at 12 noon. The Funeral Mass for **Joan Johnson** will be held on Friday 22 March at 10.00 am



A reminder that some of our services are broadcast and recorded on the Newman Warrington Live YouTube site. Usually, the 11 am Sunday Mass. If you wish to minimise your appearances on screen, please bear this in mind.