

## Services, Mass Times and Intentions

### Third Sunday of Lent

In Private	Saturday	Mary Green Anniversary
In Private	Sunday	David Warbis R.I.P.
In Private	Tuesday	Maureen Beirne Anniversary
In Private	Wednesday	People of the Prish
In Private	Thursday	Staff & Children of Twelve Apostles
In Private	Friday	Deceased Members of the Yates Family

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

In Private	Saturday	Vera Cottingham (Nee Hampson) R.I.P.
In Private	Sunday	Jones & Griffin Family

### Children's Corner

Why did the chef get sent to prison?  
Because he beat the eggs and whipped the cream.

What do you call a rich elf? **Welfy.**

When does it rain money?  
When there is "change" in the weather.



St Edmund Arrowsmith



### Sanctuary Lamp

Next week our  
Sanctuary Lamps will  
shine for....  
  
Children in Care  
at Sacred Heart  
  
and  
  
The Worden Family  
  
At St Joseph's

## The Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith

Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph



Sacred Heart Church  
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### Third Sunday of Lent 7th March 2021

#### Clergy Team:

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[www.leighdeanery.co.uk](http://www.leighdeanery.co.uk)

### FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

All of us know what it feels like to be angry - and anger is one emotion we can feel very uncomfortable with. We may feel, upset and disappointed in ourselves that we've lost our temper - yet, anger is ok when it arises from a suitable cause –and when it's correctly expressed and directed to the appropriate people. Jesus got angry when He met situations of injustice. In today's Gospel we hear how Jesus got angry because He must have been overwhelmed when He went to the temple and saw how people had pushed God to one side, and allowed money and business to become more important. It had become normal practice for the marketing side of worship to flourish, and the corruption and profit making involved was probably something people had come to expect - but Jesus was angry and found it highly offensive as He knew what was really going on in their hearts. As we journey through Lent we aim to make our hearts like His so that whenever we feel appropriate anger, we will express it in the right way. Just as Jesus cleansed the temple, He can cleanse us too... not with whips... because He cleanses with mercy... with His tender words...He cleanses us with His embrace. He cleanses anything inappropriate in our lives – if we open our hearts to Him!

Praise Him!

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Maureen Donnelly, David Oliver, Kathleen Stott (not from Twelve Apostles), Margaret Fletcher, Joseph Crusham, Mary Talbot, Fr Peter Fox, Deacon Gerry Marsh:  
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord...

**We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them.**  
Including: Craig Hardman & Dennis O'Halleran

## LITURGICAL WEEK

**Today:** Third Sunday of Lent  
**Monday:** St John of God  
**Tuesday:** St Frances of Rome  
**Sunday:** Fourth Sunday of Lent



## MASS ON THE PHONE

**Mass at Middlesbrough Cathedral** can now be accessed through your phone. The Mass is provided free of charge, except for the local phone charge. Phone: 01642 130 120 to be connected to the Mass for that week. You can listen at any time of day or night.

## Family Fast Day

Because our churches are closed, please give directly to:  
[WWW.cafod.org.uk](http://WWW.cafod.org.uk)  
CAFOD Head Office  
Romero House  
55 Westminster Bridge Rd,  
London, SE1 7JB

## Offertory Collection Envelopes

A big thank you to all of you continuing to push your envelopes through the presbytery doors. We still have bills to pay, so many thanks for recognising this.

**Lenten Resources** from the Jesuits: [www.ignatianspirituality.com/lent](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com/lent)

## Funerals this week

Wednesday	<b>Kathleen Stott</b>	Howe Bridge Crematorium
Wednesday	<b>Maureen Donnelly</b>	Leigh Cemetery
Thursday	<b>David Oliver</b>	Howe Bridge Crematorium

## Reopening of our Churches

Frs. Paul, Gordon, Paul and I have consulted together along with our stewards and following guidance from the Archdiocese we are looking to cautiously reopen our churches on the **weekend of 27th and 28th March**, which will be **Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week**.

But this will still very much depend on what the levels of infection will be in our local area at that time as we continue to safeguard our stewards and parishioners.

All the safety measures will continued to be observed especially the wearing of face masks over mouth and nose (unless your are medically exempt), and also social distancing.

Sadly, we are still not able to sing in church. No advice has yet been given about a change in regulations.

Remember there is no obligation to return yet.....only do so if you feel safe .....but know that each and every one of you will be at the centre of every Mass we celebrate.....none of you are forgotten, all of you cherished by the Lord through His Church!

## CAFOD's Lenten 'Walk for Water'

**The Parish Scout Group, 9th-15th Leigh**, are supporting this cause as part of our awareness of global issues. If anyone would like to sponsor them they can do it via the just giving page for their group [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/9-15thleigh-scout-group](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/9-15thleigh-scout-group)

Jane Riley, their Group Scout Leader, is aiming to do 10,000 steps per day in Lent to reach the target of 40,000 steps, plus publicise the group if she can. She will post updates so that we can see how they are progressing.