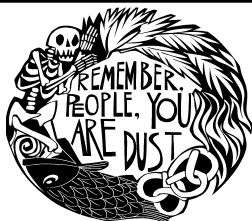


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1st March 2020

1st Sunday of Lent

Jesus
was led by the Spirit
out into the desert
to be tempted by
the devil.

(Matthew 4:1)

Sunday Reflection

By putting this scene at the beginning of Lent, the Church shows that it sees Lent as a period of testing. Matthew sees this period in the wilderness as the testing of God's Son, just as the People of God (Israel – God's son, whom he brought out of Egypt) was tested for forty years in the desert. We may also see it as the time when Jesus reflected on the mode of his mission. His mission was to bring the Kingship of God to a new realisation: how should he do this? The Tempter suggests false ways, which Jesus rejects one after another, each time using a word from scripture, the Word of God. He rejects the idea of the Messiah merely producing the luxury of the plenteous messianic banquet (stones into food). He rejects the idea of a startling personal miracle which none could gainsay (the leap from the Temple). He rejects the suggestion of entering into league with the Tempter's own values of pride and dominion (rule over the world). At the same time Jesus shows himself to be the Second Moses, the founder of a new People of God: like Moses, he spends forty days and forty nights fasting; like Moses he is taken up onto a high mountain, from where he can see not merely all the territory of the Holy Land, but all the kingdoms of the earth. What temptation do you find hardest to resist? What helps you to resist temptation?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

During Lent.....

Early Mass A tradition going back many years is to have an early Mass in OLMC which has proved very popular over the years

- early Friday Mass at 7am at OLMC

Each week during Lent there will be

Stations of the Cross

St Patrick Wednesdays 7pm (*not Ash Wednesday*).
OLMC Thursdays 7pm

During Lent morning/evening prayers will be said 15 minutes before mass begins.

MASSES AND SERVICES

Sunday 1st March

Sat 5pm	OLMC	Maureen Fitzgibbon & Edward Jackson
Sun 9:45am	SP	Parishioners
Sun 11:15am	OLMC	The Martin Family

Monday 2nd March

10am OLMC No Mass

Tuesday 3rd March

7pm OLMC No Mass

Wednesday 4th March

9.30am SP No Mass

Thursday 5th March

12.45 Funeral OLMC Marie Morton

Friday 6th March

7am OLMC Special Intention

Sunday 8th March

Sat 5pm	OLMC	Charlie Harris
Sun 9:45am	SP	Tony Robinson
Sun 11:15am	OLMC	Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat 4-4.30pm On Request

Collections

Many thanks

Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Loose	£ 278.42
St Patrick	Loose	£111.96
	Envelopes	£76.15

MINISTERS OF THE WORD AND EUCHARIST

Please find a substitute if you are not able to fulfil your ministry.

Readers please note we are now using the new Prayers of the Faithful books in both churches for our bidding prayers.

	Sunday 1st March			Sunday 8th March		
	Sat 5pm	Sun 9:45am	Sun 11:15am	Sat 5pm	Sun 9:45am	Sun 11:15am
Reader (1)	E. Lyons	-	S. Mendy	C. Barrett	-	M. Putt
Reader (2)	M. Bouche	-	E. Alvarez	M. Bouche	-	J. Mbirimi
EMHC	C. Barrett A. McCormack	D. Crook T. Keatley T. Lacey J. Dean Sr Johanna (H)	M. Farrell M. Brade M. Putt G. Lyons J. Mbirimi	E. Lyons A. McCormack	J. Dean B. Palmer T. Lacey J. Burquest T. Keatley (H)	M. Quayle S. Mendy B. Christian G. Lyons M. Brade



HYMNS
 Entrance: 61 Offertory: 158 Communion: 449 Recessional: 116



With You Always Sacramental Preparation: Our next meeting for those at non-Catholic Schools and St Finbars will be on Thursday 5th March 3:45 at OLMC. Holy Family's next session is on Thursday 26th March. Please keep all our children and their families in your prayers.

Tea/Coffee and Cake: After Sunday mass in both our churches please come and join us. *All welcome*

Spick and span: we especially thank our cleaners and decorating volunteers who are keeping our churches so bright and cheerful. If you haven't seen the meeting room at OLMC, do have a look: it has a spring like feel and looks very inviting. Thank you!

Food Appeal: At the moment our cupboards in OLMC are bare! Lent is an ideal time for us to help others in need. We get quite a number of people calling to the Presbytery looking for help. With this in mind we would be grateful for any donations of food to stock up our store cupboard. If you would like to donate, please bring your items along to OLMC church. Thank you.

Pastoral Associate Update: Along with so many others, I am sure, it was with a heavy heart that I read the internal report from L'Arche regarding the conduct of Jean Vanier. It reminded me how cautious we should be in idealising any one person, but also that the values that L'Arche embody remain a shining light of the all-encompassing love of God. It is God who is our never-failing guide. **Our Pastoral Area Pilgrimage** will take place on Saturday 7 March – please do join us for some, or all of our journey around our Pastoral Area Churches praying the stations of the Cross. *“God uses people who fail – because there aren't any other kind around”* quote by American writer John C Maxwell. God Bless, Helen

EVENTS www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk

Saturday 7 March Pastoral Area Lenten Stations of the Cross starting with Mass at 10am at Carmel - Maryton, St Anthony-Mossley Hill, St Garston, OLMC, St Vincent, St Patricks (lunch), St Charles – Aigburth, St Clare – Sefton Park, St Anne – Edge Hill, ending at the Met Cathed around 4pm. Timings and details on website/posters.

Monday 9 March Synod Talks: The Church as Fragmented Mirror David McLoughlin 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at LACE

Tuesdays 10 and 17 March Continuing Conversations for Catechists at LACE, 7.15 - 9pm Register at 0151 522 1040 or formation@rcaol.co.uk

Thursday 19 March Austin Ivereigh will talk about his book on Pope Francis: The Wounded Shepherd at St Anne's, Edge Hill 7:30pm

Wednesday 1 April Pastoral Area Lenten Reconciliation Service at 7:30pm at St Charles, Aigburth.

Prayers requested for

Sick: Mary Rice, Frances Ryan, Stephen Porter Veronica Boyd, Betty Kent, Mary O'Toole, Michelle Baxendale, Tony McKean, Anne McCourt, Lisa Balshaw, Mary Kewley, Freya Matheson, Bernard Duffy, Wally Williams, Marie Simpson, Tony Robinson, Erin Caulfield, Susie Bell, Carol Flannery, Mark O'Toole, Michael McNicholas.

RIP: Marie Morton & Maureen Jones.

Communion For The Sick

If you have a sick relative that would like to receive Holy Communion at home please contact the parish office. 0151 727 1463.

Bonus Ball / Mount Carmel : The bonus ball for Wednesday was no 4 Winners won £30 each