

**HAPPY ST DAVID'S DAY
TOMORROW!!**



**SPECIAL BLESSINGS
TO ALL OF WELSH
DESCENT.**

SECOND COLLECTION:
Next Sunday is for the diocesan clergy assistance fund.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER
IN WOODLEY:** Is organizing an Easter egg hunt with a difference. The idea is to decorate and display an A3 paper egg in several houses, each with a letter of the alphabet on

GOING INTO HOSPITAL

On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.

**Royal Berkshire Hospital
Switchboard:**

0118 3225111

it. Completing the hunt/trail will reveal a special word/words related to Easter. If you would like to help, please email Linda Galpin at linda.galpin@stjameswoodley.org.

SJB is also looking for a CTW rep. Please email/telephone our office if interested.

**UNIVERSITY
CHAPLAINCY TALK:**
Monday 15th March
7.30-9pm: The Poetry and Theology of RS Thomas with Dr Carys Walsh. On Zoom. No booking required. Zoom: Meeting ID 994 1078 8443, Passcode 511 541.

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Adoration
Suspended

Confessions
Suspended

Tea/Coffee
Suspended

Priest's Mass Intentions
Please complete one of the special envelopes and arrange with the office

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**ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF
ST JOHN BOSCO, WOODLEY**

Sunday 28th February 2021

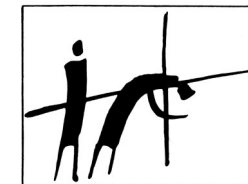
SECOND SUNDAY OF
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CHURCH REOPENING: Now that things are starting to look safer, Fr Bill has decided to reopen the church for public Mass starting next Sunday, 8th March. Booking is required via the website or by phone (see back page for details). After that, public Mass will be offered on Wednesdays and Sundays. As before, booking is not required for Wednesdays. There is still no obligation to attend Sunday Mass. If you can come on Wednesdays (not this week) please do so in order to leave Sundays available for those who cannot. Live streaming will continue on Wednesdays and Sundays.

We hope to have the usual Holy Week liturgies, but they will be much simpler that we are used to, in line with guidelines issued by the Holy See. These, too, will need to be booked. Please do not book unless you are sure you will be present: half of the places booked at Christmas Masses were "no-shows" and could have been offered to others who were unable to get places. Also, please make sure you speak with other family members first so that you do not double-book. There will be 40 places available on Sundays and 50 for the Holy Week liturgies. Please be considerate: do not book more than a few places (3/4 max). Thank you for your assistance in this.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ONLINE

There are hundreds of videos on YouTube: search for one you relate to. Here is a very good example:
<https://youtu.be/Zo4ZxbpDiEc>



TEN MINUTES-A- DAY RETREAT

A new picture, music video, short prayer and scripture passage daily throughout Lent.
<https://www.onlineprayer.net/knowning-jesus-2/>

FINDING HOPE IN SCRIPTURE

An online retreat for the Monday evenings of Lent led by Dominican Sisters of Sway. 7.30pm each Monday. Talk, adoration and night prayer. Please register at <http://www.pffm.org.uk>

*St John Bosco Parish is a vibrant
worshipping community in the heart of Woodley.
We are committed to serve, to grow, to connect
and to give.*

Today's Psalm Response:

**I will walk in the presence of the Lord
In the land of the living.**

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

LIVE STREAMING ON WEDNESDAYS AND SUNDAYS: NEXT SUNDAY OPEN TO PUBLIC

TODAY	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B	10.00AM	Tony Ford +
Mon 1	St David		No Mass
Tues 2	Of 2nd Week of Lent		Harper/Powell family
Wed 3	Of 2nd Week of Lent	10.00am	Peter O'Rourke + (4th ann)
Thurs 4	Of 2nd Week of Lent		People of the Parish
Fri 5	Of 2nd Week of Lent		No intention
Sat 6	Of 2nd Week of Lent		Alphonsus +
FEB 7	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B	10.00AM	Anita Souza + Booking required

PARISH LENTEN ALMS APPEAL

This year we are supporting
THE COWSHED:
<https://www.thecowshed.org/>

The Cowshed, run entirely by volunteers, provides cleaned and ironed clothes and other essentials free to anyone in need in Berkshire. These are donated by the public as well as retailers and manufacturers. Their referrals include Health Visitors, Social Services, Foodbanks, Schools, Refuges, Churches, Doctors and a number of local charities

We have a donate button on our website.

ST. JOHN BOSCO LIVESTREAM:

link address:

<https://youtu.be/Psd1Vle59os>

PARISH WEBSITE DONATE

BUTTON: Please consider using this method if you normally give cash at the weekly offering. Go to stjohnbosco.co.uk

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY:

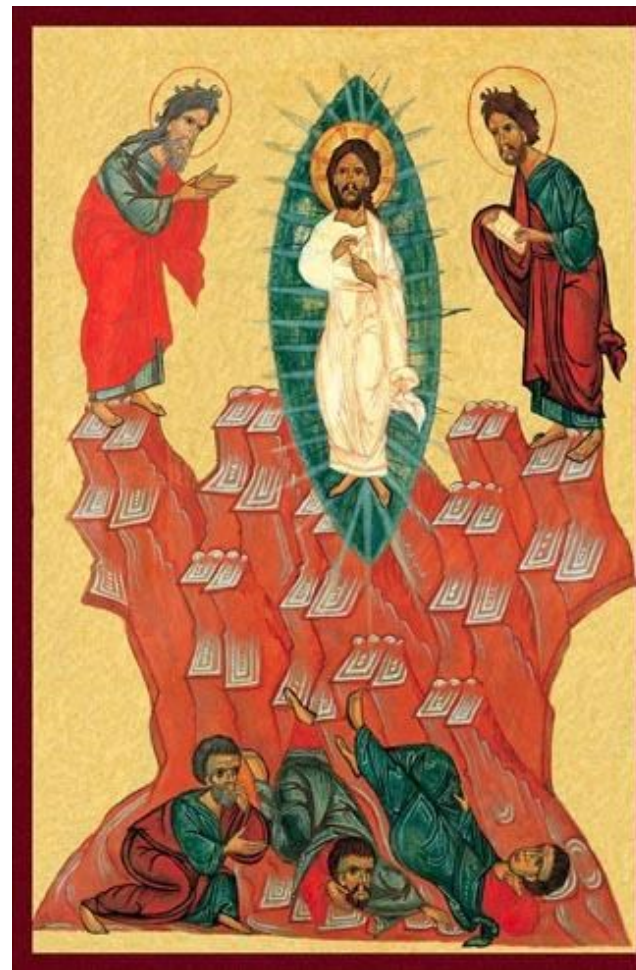
Collection is scheduled for today. Please follow donation process here:



To help people like Abdella
Text LENT to 70460
to donate £10 to CAFOD's Lent Appeal
Or visit
cafod.org.uk/give



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021: We are hoping to begin this year's programme of First Holy Communion shortly after Easter. The lessons may initially be on Zoom, but as soon as practicable, we will be teaching in church. We will be using the study guide 'I Belong' by Redemptorist Publications - a big hit with 2020's children. In order for us to order the right amount of supplies can you **please email your interest by April 1st**. First Holy Communion is open to baptised children in Yr 3 and above.



TODAY'S GOSPEL: THE TRANSFIGURATION.

Just as every 1st Sunday of Lent gives us an account of the Temptation in the Wilderness, every 2nd Sunday presents us with an account of the Transfiguration.

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CONFIRMATION 2021: Bishop Philip has asked that all parishes celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at 3.00pm on Pentecost Sunday, 23rd May. If your child is in year 8 or above please register your interest via the parish email. Again, we are just assessing demand at this time.

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially: Ellen Morganti, June Bremner-Tse, Gerry Houlton, Sr. Joseph, Patsy Gill, Chris Fido, Thelma McCarthy, Mimi Peat, Mary Knox and Anne Evans.

Also, for all the faithful departed, especially those in our *Book of Remembrance* for this month: Jan Pritchard, Ken Hay, Basil Gomez, Raymond Williamson, Paul Gualtieri, Tim O'Rourke, Edmund Sellens, Christina Sellens, Kenneth Tarvin, Terry Rogers, David Pritchard, Gladys Jacobs, Donald Pocock, Rosmary Sim Cardoso Florence Grenneau, Genowefa Klonowicz, Elsie Elizabeth Ivers, Daphne O'Dowd-Booth, Colin Dempster and Jane (Jean) Bartington. May they rest in peace.