



**THIRD SUNDAY  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
27 JANUARY 2019**

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**Today's Scripture readings**

**Nehemiah 8:2-10** This passage represents part of the process whereby Jews who had returned to Judaea from their Babylonian exile are, under the benevolent rule of the Persian Empire, permitted to practise their own religion. The Temple is rebuilt. The Law is proclaimed.  
**1Corinthians 12:12-30** We know from elsewhere in this Letter that Paul was deeply concerned about the serious divisions within the Corinthian Church. He shows how unity can come about by respect for the different charisms exercised by its members.  
**Luke 1:1-4;4:14-21** We do not know who Theophilus (lover of God) is: perhaps an interested non-Jew. Luke has carefully organised the many accounts of Jesus' life, death and resurrection he has received. After the infancy narratives, the baptism in the Jordan and temptation in the wilderness, Jesus starts his ministry by reading publicly in the synagogue, as any Jewish man might be invited to do.

**MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM** Today (Sunday) 3pm

**WEEKDAY MASSES** Monday (Latin) and Friday 10am in Church.

**PFFC MEETING** Thursday 31 January 6pm.

**SECOND COLLECTION** next weekend for Life.

**LENT QUESTIONNAIRE** If you took one away last weekend and are interested by any of the suggestions, please fill it in and return it to the box at the back of the Church by next weekend.

**BLESSED CANDLES** It is the custom in some places to have a blessed candle in your house during Lent and Easter. It can be lit, in particular, when you are undertaking any Lenten activity such as praying or reading a chosen book. If anyone would like a candle, we can order some and bless them for this purpose. Please let the Parish Secretary (Claire Bailey) or a member of the PPC know.

**LITTLE MALVERN PRIORY** will be holding a series of conversations, led by Rev Eric Knowles, in our Parish Room on Wednesday mornings (10.30-12) during Lent. Centred around the idea of our own life as a pilgrimage, he will offer recollections of his recent expedition as a RAF Cadet Chaplain in the Himalayas as a prompt. Headings include: Faith, Risk, Commitment, Prayer, Singularity. Members of St Wulstan's Parish are invited to take part.

**LOGA SMITH** (Registered Nurse) has provided care for several elderly people connected with St Wulstan's in the last couple of years and lives near our Church. She offers "care and support in your home in Malvern and surrounding areas". tel. 01684 563802 (some cards at back of church).

**BIDDING PRAYERS** If anyone has a theme/topic they would like incorporated into a bidding prayer, please contact Geoff Markham or me in good time.

**Pray** for Leonie Rimmer, Denise Soper, Norah Lawley, Michael Noakes, Teresa Fry and Arthur Thurlow, who died recently, for Rosemarie Kay, Christopher Kouwen, and Raymond Turner, who are recovering, and for Paul Hothersall, Ellen Verdult, Nicholas Ratcliff, and Les Miller who are housebound. (Pauline Mills is temporarily housebound).