

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

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ST. WULSTAN'S LITTLE MALVERN

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30th MARCH 2025 / FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT IN YEAR (C) - LAETARE SUNDAY

Today is 'Laetare Sunday', so named after the first word of the Introit. The Violet vestments of the penitential season are put aside, and the vestments worn today are 'Rose' (the colour of Joy) to indicate the hope which should fill our hearts as we look forward to Christ's victory over sin at Easter.

HOLY MASS THIS WEEK

SATURDAY Vigil Mass 5pm (Confessions 4.30pm by request)

SUNDAY 10.30am

MONDAY 10am

TUESDAY 10am

THURSDAY 10am

FRIDAY 6pm Stations of the Cross 5.30pm

SATURDAY Vigil Mass 5pm

Readings for Sunday Mass

First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

The Israelites celebrate their first Passover in the Promised Land.

Psalm 33(34):2-7

R./: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Second Reading; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

God reconciled himself to us through Christ.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3,11-32

The prodigal son.

PRAYING FOR OUR DEARLY DEPARTED LOVED ONES AND ALSO THE SICK

We pray for the repose of the soul of John Crowe, R.I.P., Patricia V Petit R.I.P. and Ida Hodges, R.I.P, who died recently. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray also: for all the sick including Pope Francis, John Bilsborough, Rosemarie Kay, Pat Sweetman, Mark Pillon, Patricia Soper and Lea Maloney, and all who are unwell or housebound.

SUNDAY COFFEE

There will be coffee after Mass this Sunday.

PRAY FOR POPE FRANCIS

Almighty and Eternal God,
you are the everlasting health of
those who believe in you.
Hear our prayers for your sick servant Francis
for whom we implore the aid of your tender mercy,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Our Lady of Lourdes, Health of the Sick, pray for him.



TUESDAY Lent reflection at St. Joseph's, Upton, 'Hope against Hope'. Gathering from 6.15pm (refreshments), Talk at 7pm, Home 7.45pm.

FRIDAY Stations of the Cross 5.30pm, Mass 6pm, Talk in Parish Room 6.30pm 'Calvary and The Empty Tomb'

SATURDAY 7pm we host concert for Little Malvern Priory's 875th anniversary celebration. Admission £10 cash (payable on the door) and well worth it !!!:

A CELEBRATION OF BACH

Double violin concerto in D Minor / solo cello suite 3 in C (Jane Hyland)
arias for Tenor (Bryan Husband) / Brandenburg concertos 3&6
ST.GILES 875 FESTIVAL PLAYERS, (Leader Brigid Kirkland-Wilson)

NEXT SUNDAY 6th April 3pm: four Priests hearing Confessions here at St.Wulstan's

MALVERN PARISH CLUSTER:

St.Wulstan's, 3pm 6th April Four Priests hearing Confessions

Confessions at

TALK: St.Wulstan's: FRI.6.30pm (in Parish Room, after 6pm Mass)
Dolorosa & Calvary'

'The Via

MALVERN PARISH CLUSTER 'LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE'

6th APRIL 3pm here, at St.Wulstan's: FOUR PRIESTS hearing Confessions

MALVERN PARISH CLUSTER: LENT REFLECTIONS ON 'HOPE' gathering from 6.15pm for light refreshments with a Talk at 7pm followed by sharing & Prayer...ending 7.45pm

TUESDAY 1st: at St. Joseph's, Upton: HOPE AGAINST HOPE

TUESDAY 8th: at St. Joseph's, Malvern: CHRIST OUR HOPE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: FRIDAYS IN LENT 5.30PM

WE WORSHIP YOU CHRIST AND WE BLESS YOU, FOR BY YOUR HOLY CROSS YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD!

IN THE PARISH ROOM:

background information to help us better understand the scenario of The Lord's Passion

FRIDAY 28th MARCH after 6pm Mass: 'The Via Dolorosa/ (Way of the Cross) & Calvary'.

FRIDAY 4th APRIL after 6pm Mass: 'Crucifixion & Burial'.

SUMMER TIME

Remember clocks go forward one hour this Saturday 30th March at 1am.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH - FOR FAMILIES IN CRISIS

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.



A Prayer for Peace in the Middle East

God of mercy and compassion,
of grace and reconciliation,
pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East:
Jews, Muslims and Christians,
Palestinians and Israelis.
Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope,
oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation,
that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces,
and peace and justice could be experienced by all.
Amen.

The Reverend Saad Alabbasi, Senior Pastor
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LENT PARISH MAGAZINE

Please forward contributions, including photos if you wish, to michaelseales@hotmail.com. Word documents, font size 12, are ideal.

PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI 25.5.25

A group of parishioners from St Wulstan's and the Malvern Cluster will be making a pilgrimage to Assisi from 25th to 31st May (maximum 12-15 people) and there are currently a few spaces available.

You can download the flyer here: <https://www.jcjourneys.com/mc-assisi> also the booking form, which enables the deposit to be paid online via a secure link.

Alternatively, if you would prefer this information by email, please don't hesitate to contact carvercharlotte400@gmail.com or bernadetteekin@gmail.com

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"Pilgrims of Hope"
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