

# **ST GEORGE, BICKLEY**

## **NEWSLETTER 15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026**

### **6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Quinquagesima)**

**LENT BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY**, Ash Wednesday, when the imposition of ashes will take place at both the 9.30 Mass and the 8.00pm Sung Mass. Please bring your old palm crosses to church for incineration.

**OUR LENT APPEAL** this year is for Tariro, a small charity working with young people in our partner diocese of Harare, Zimbabwe, which was founded by Fr Nicolas Stebbing CR. On your way out of church today you will be given a jamjar in which to put your Lent savings. The idea is that you give a pound a day. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNK-E4YZ8O4>

**CONFESSIONS BEFORE LENT** Fr Owen will be available to hear confessions after Mass today in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Fr Henry will be available on Tuesday after the 9.30 Mass, or by appointment.

**LENT PROGRAMME** There will be Bible Studies, and Stations of the Cross. See flyer for details. Penitential Service at St John's Sevenoaks at 5pm on 8<sup>th</sup> March.

**(WOMEN'S) WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Local service at St Patrick's, Red Hill, Chislehurst, at 11am. See posters.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND NEXT YEAR** We are going to the Holy Land next year (January 11-21), making a pilgrimage to the holy sites in Israel, Palestine and Jordan, led by Fr Henry and Fiona, and organised by an experienced specialist tour operator. If you missed the meeting last week, and are interested in the pilgrimage, please contact Fr Henry and ask for the detailed itinerary.

**WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June. £188.80. Forms are available at the back of church and should be returned either electronically to Graham Callow, or in hard copy either to Graham or to Fr Henry.

**FETE MEETING NEXT SUNDAY** 12.15pm Small Hall for stallholders and anyone willing to help or run a new stall.

**THIS WEEK NO CHILDREN'S CHURCH** as it is half-term.

**SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>      9.30 Mass  
*James 1; 12-18. Mark 8; 14-21.*

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>      9.30 Mass **(ASH WEDNESDAY)**  
*Joel 2; 12-18. 2 Corinthians 5; 20-6; 2. Matthew 6; 1-6, 16-18.*  
8.00pm Sung Mass

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>      9.30 Mass  
*Deuteronomy 30; 15-20. Luke 9; 22-25.*

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>      9.30 Mass  
*Isaiah 58; 1-9. Matthew 9; 14-15.*  
3pm Stations of the Cross  
6.30pm Confessions.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>      9.30 Mass and Rosary  
*Isaiah 58; 9-14. Luke 5; 27-32.*

**NEXT SUNDAY: THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**8.00 Mass (Traditional Rite)**

**10.30 Sung Mass with Children's Church**

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

**THOSE IN NEED:** HM The King, Lizi Benjamin, Keith Bowley, Sylvia Braybrooke, Sue Byers, Jim & Janet Connor, Julie Couldridge, Beatrice Dadson, Madeleine Donlan, Sandra Donohue, Roger Edwards, Stuart Esk, Matthew Fairweather, Ahmed & Asma Farid, Norman Good, Elaine Greasley, Alison Hadfield, Caroline Houston, Mary Huggins, Kim James, Maxine Johnson, Catherine Jones, Ralph Jones, Marie Kerrigan, James Lofthouse, Margaret McKensie, Alistair Messenger, Joseph Milad, Nelly Oakeshott, Teresa O'Rourke, Debbie Platt, Lee Ramsey, Lyn Ramsey, Scott Ramsey, David Richards, Ray Shaw, Joan Turpin, Norman Vaughton, Trevor Walker, Elaine Warner & family, Leslie Watmore, Laila Williams, Wojciech.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Jill Simner, Chris Brennan.

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