

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Reading Cycle A

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Psalter Week 3

Sunday 8TH MARCH 2026

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| SAT | 7 TH MAR | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT | 6.00pm | Joao Camacho R.I.P Winnie and Paul Rein R.I.P |
| SUN | 8 TH MAR | | 10.00am | Patricia Barry R.I.P |
| MON | 9 TH MAR | Weekday in the Third Week of Lent | 10.00am | Deceased of the Parish |
| TUES | 10 TH MAR | Weekday in the Third Week of Lent | 9.00am | Thomas Roche R.I.P |
| WED | 11 TH MAR | Weekday in the Third Week of Lent | 10.00am | Holy Souls |
| THURS | 12 TH MAR | Weekday in the Third Week of Lent | 10.00am | People of the Parish |
| FRI | 13 TH MAR | Weekday in the Third Week of Lent | 10.00am | Darrah McDonnagh R.I.P |
| | | FUNERAL SERVICE | 12.45pm | MICHAEL MCDONALD |
| | | STATIONS OF THE CROSS | 3.00pm | |
| SAT | 14 TH MAR | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT LAETARE SUNDAY MOTHERING SUNDAY | 6.00pm | Josephine Page R.I.P Margaret McCarthy R.I.P Angela Venables R.I.P |
| SUN | 15 TH MAR | | 10.00am | ALL MOTHERS |

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Michael McDonald, Janet Doyle, Sheila Donovan (nee Hodge), Pauline Lukawekyj, a Special Intention, Dila Gjoni, Tina Lucas and Jason Micallef May they rest in eternal peace.

This week we also pray for John Ryan, Catherine O'Reilly (1983), Richard Cowley, Edith Friday (1984), Angelo Dimech, Olive Collins, Angelo Tabona, Arthur Whelan (1985), Lilian Baker, Daniel Flynn (1986), Doreen Floode (1987), William Fitzgerald (1988), Catherine Barnett (1989), Muriel O'Neill, Kathleen Chappell (1990), Patrick Feeney (1991), Beryl Murray, John Dacey (1992), Lilian James (1993), Pasquale Lapore (1995), Hugh Daver (1998), Lawrence Sloman, James O'Brien (1999), Ellen Fitzgerald (2000), Bernard Murray, Mary Johnson, Ivy Barry (2001) Catherine Rayer (2002), Maureen Decano, Nancy Mayled, Ann George, Sarah West (2003), Fr Thomas Nulty (2004), Lily Higgins, Constance Matthews (2005), Anita Walaron (2007), Stacey Butler (2008), Margaret Owens (2009), Ellen Feehan, Grace Robinson (2011), Terence Bailey (2012), Phillip Hawkins, Stephen Ray (2014), Bernard Flowers (2015), William Hasson, Audrey Prew (2016), Fr John James Thomas (2018), Sheila Amor (2019), Kevin Collins, Bernard Glasson (2021), Betty Knight (2023), and all whose anniversaries we remember at this time.

We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them during the coming week.

To all our parishioners who are indisposed we ask that they may receive every grace and blessing.

CANDLES You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left at the Sacred Heart or Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week.

This week candles will be lit for the Well Being of Molly, and Peace in our troubled world

SVP CAMINO PILGRIMAGE: Chris Hinds is busy in training, so if you see her striding purposely forward around Grangetown and Cardiff Bay, please wish her well. She will be walking 76 miles, from Baiona on the border between Portugal and Spain to Santiago in North West Spain. You will be able to track her progress on the Parish Website. She starts the Pilgrimage on April 11th. Not long to go !! She is still taking donations for our SVP.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION Each Friday during Lent at 3.00pm. All welcome.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: The SVP Mini Vinnies in St Patrick's School invite the Grandparents from Years 1 and 2 and Parishioners from St Patrick's Church to an afternoon Easter Preparation Celebration on Friday 13th March 1.30- 2.30pm. See poster on Event's Board for more details.

HEART SPEAKS TO HEART – A SIX-WEEK PROGRAMME for LENT: LED BY ARCHBISHOP MARK

Please look at the Parish Website for the links.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: If you use envelopes please collect your new box. These start after Easter. Thank you to all who have signed up for this. There is no cost to you and it means the Parish can collect an extra 25p from the Tax Man for every £1 you give

LIVE STREAM LINK: Church Services can be viewed live on the Parish Website. This should be available on computers, tablets and phones. Parishioners are reminded that the live stream is always active in the Church and covers the Altar and first 6 rows of the church. If you do not wish to be on the live stream please sit further back.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION after any Mass. just ask Canon Mike.

PIETY STALL: Easter Cards have arrived!! Also Mothering Sunday gifts, cards and candles. (some from 50p)

DONATING TO THE PARISH ONLINE: Please see the link on the Home Page on the Parish website

OLD SPECTACLES/ GLASSES: **THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA** are collecting any old prescription spectacles/glasses There is a box at the back of the Church.

PARISH WEBSITE: This is updated every day. There is the reading for the day, and a reflection, the latest newsletter, times of Masses. There is also a link to the online stream. Find out more, www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk

MASS INTENTIONS At the back of the Church there are envelopes for you to put your donation and the details of when you would like a Mass and for whom. Please indicate if the person is deceased. Please put your envelope in the Offertory Bag or the Brown Box at the back of the Church.

SAFEGUARDING: Helplines on the Parish Website and on the Parish Noticeboard First Aid Box is in the Sacristy.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain. If you are a relative and would like the Catholic Hospital Chaplain to make a visit please leave the name of the person you want them to see and Ward details if possible. Chaplaincy 02921 843230 Please leave your contact details so that they can contact you.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS: If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion contact Canon Mike.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: 28th Feb/ 1st March £ 657 .26

WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

As we read our newspapers and listen to the TV news broadcasts we see terrible conflicts which seem to be spreading throughout the world. Please pray that peace will be restored and that those in authority will seek ways of reconciliation and discussion rather than weapons of destruction.

You have often heard me say that **ALL WATER IS HOLY** . The most precious gift for life both within the animal and human world . NO Water NO Life ! Today we fight over oil or land , tomorrow it will be water , for water sustains life .

Today's Gospel shows both the Humanity of Jesus as well as His divinity . The Man Jesus, the man of skin and bone was thirsty . He must have completed a long and arduous journey which made him both tired and thirsty so he sought rest in the shade along with a drink from a well . That famous line in the film 'Casablanca' when Rick (Humphrey Bogart) sees Ilsa (Ingrid Bergman)

"OF ALL THE GIN JOINTS IN ALL THE WORLD SHE WALKS INTO MINE . . . "

Of all the water wells in the desert Jesus had to come to mine !

Ilsa was searching , looking for Rick , and when she found him she thought her journey was over , but we know differently . Jesus came to the well asking the woman for water to drink in order to quench his thirst but wanted to share with the woman Life Giving Water . He knew she was on "The Journey" searching for a deeper understanding and purpose to her life . She had Faith but the Lord wanted to deepen that Faith, to show her a different way.

Have you started your journey this Lent ? Maybe today is the right time to start , taking encouragement and direction from the Man at the well who offers us "Water from the Well that will NEVER dry up ' **“PLEASE GIVE ME DRINK . .”**

**“IF YOU ONLY KNEW WHAT GOD IS OFFERING AND WHO IT IS THAT IS SPEAKING TO YOU.
EVERYONE WHO DRINKS OF THIS WATER WILL BE THIRSTY AGAIN,
BUT THOSE WHO DRINK OF THE WATER THAT I WILL GIVE THEM WILL NEVER BE THIRSTY.
THE WATER THAT I WILL GIVE WILL BECOME IN THEM A SPRING OF WATER
GUSHING UP TO ETERNAL LIFE.”**

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What did the inflatable teacher say to the inflatable boy who took a pin into the inflatable school? "You've let me down, you've let the school down but most of all you've let yourself down."
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A white horse goes into a bar and orders a pint of bitter. "Blimey!" the barman says. "We sell a whiskey named after you." "What, Eric ?" says the horse