ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD



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WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 9.00am Thursday 9.00am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4.30pm Sunday: 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.20pm

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday: 9.00am Friday: 9.00am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm Sunday: 10.30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.00am - 9.20am

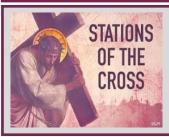
PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

FOR THE SICK: Iris Dixon, Margaret Roberts, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Ernestina Tatar,

Roberto Pisano

RECENTLY DECEASED: Giovanni Anania (1 month) **DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**: Lucia Ascenzo (1 year)





EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

CORPUS CHRISTI: After 9.00am Mass

ST THOMAS MORE: 7.00 pm

Lent is like a long 'retreat' during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism.

Pope Benedict XVI

1st Sunday of Lent — 6 March 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

26:4-10

Moses said to the people: "The priest shall take the pannier from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.' The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' **R**
- 2 Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. **R**
- 3 They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. **R**
- 4 His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name.
 When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.'
 I will save him in distress and give him glory. R

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

10:8-13

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, It is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved.

By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When Scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 4: 1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says' Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him. 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all there ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord.



Lent begins with a reflection on the Temptation of Jesus in the wilderness. The Church assigns temptation stories to the beginning of Lent because temptations come to everybody, not only to Jesus, and we seem almost

genetically programmed to yield to them.

We need to confront and conquer temptations as Jesus did, using the means he employed: Like Jesus, every one of us is tempted to seek sinful pleasures, easy wealth, and a position of authority, and is drawn to the use of unjust or sinful means to attain good ends. Jesus is our model for conquering temptations through prayer, penance, and the effective use of the "word of God." Temptations make us true warriors of God by strengthening our minds and hearts. We are never tempted beyond the strength God gives us. In his first letter, St. John assures us: "The One Who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world" (1 John 4:4). Hence during Lent, let us confront our evil tendencies with prayer (especially by participating in the Holy Mass), with penance, and with the meditative reading of the Bible. Knowledge of the Bible prepares us for the moment of temptation by enabling us "to know Jesus more clearly, to love him more dearly and to follow him more nearly, day by day," as William Barclay puts it. (Fr Tony cbci homilies)

PROJECT COMPASSION

We pray for all those whose access to food and water is insecure. May the whole human family respond generously in creating lasting justice in the distribution of life's necessities. May we respond to opportunities such as those presented by Project Compassion this Lent to build for all future generations.

Please take a PC box or set of envelopes in the front and side foyers and give generously this Lent. Thank you.

GRUPPO PREGHIERA ITALIANO / ITALIAN PRAYER GROUP resumes...

Il Gruppo di Preghiera Italiano riapre mercoledi 16 marzo ore 10 alle mezzogiorno nella sale di St John Paul. Tutti benvenuti. Se avete bisogno di ulteriori informazioni o se siete interessati ad attendere vi preghiamo di contattare Albina Gallu telefono 0450 529 497.

The Italian Prayer Group reopens on Wed 16 March in the St John Paul Room (10am to 12 noon). **Please contact Albina Gallu on 0450 529 497** if you are interested in attending. ALL WELCOME.



PARISH EMAIL LIST

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Being on our email list is a good way to keep in

touch with the Parish, receiving the weekly bulletins and any important notices or information.