



Parish Newsletter Supplement

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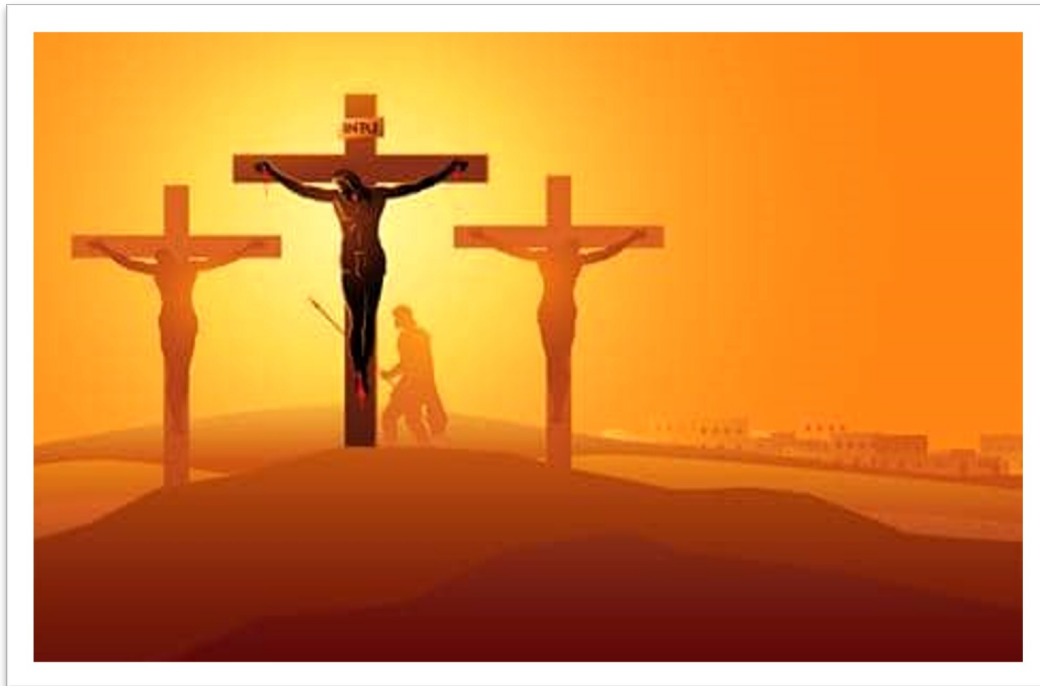
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Lent Initiative

Stations of the Cross in house groups

Lent is a time of contemplation, a time of dedication, and a time of preparation.



There are many ways and places to pray the wonderful Lenten devotion of the Stations of the Cross and it doesn't need to be in Church or led by a Priest or Church leader. This Lent we would like to offer as many people as possible, adults and children, the opportunity to pray the Stations by organising these to take place in small house groups across the Parish at different times and on different days.

Could you provide a space in your home for others to gather and pray the Stations with you? The Parish will supply a booklet or cards with all the words. All that will be needed is an appropriate room and seating, perhaps a central focal point with a crucifix and candle, and a warm welcome.

The Parish boundaries cover the areas of Halliwell, Smithills, Doffcocker, Heaton and Lostock. Do you live in one of these areas? Would you be willing to be a host and help build our Parish family in this way?

Please let any of the Parish Leadership Team know if you can assist and/or contact the office office@stcuthberts.org.uk - or telephone 01204 497068.



BIBLE STUDY Meeting

The next Bible Study Meeting will be Tuesday 7 February at 1.00pm –2.00pm

This will be weekly throughout Lent

Tea & Coffee will be served

after the

9.30 am & 11.15 am Sunday Mass at

St Joseph &

St Thomas of Canterbury Church.

Also after the Thursday mass, unless it is a Requiem Mass



FLAME CONGRESS

YOUTH GATHERING AT
WEMBLEY, MARCH 2023

There is the opportunity from across the Diocese for in the region of 45 young people or so to attend the largest Catholic gathering of young people in England and Wales

This will be a great opportunity for them to get to know each other better and to experience together this great Youth event

Each Ticket costs £50.00. So that as many from our Parish as possible from our Confirmation Group and Youth Leadership Team are able to attend we are looking for sponsors to help subsidise or off-set the costs

Cheques should be made payable to
"The Parish of St. Cuthbert"

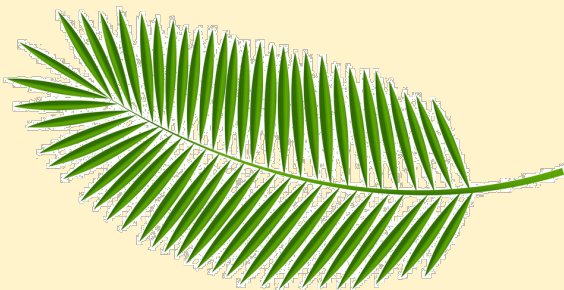
and please place payment (or if you wish to sponsor anonymously put your cash) in an envelope marked **"World Youth Day Ticket"** and please place it in the Red Box in the Church porches or hand in to the Parish office

For further information please email the office - office@stcuthberts.org.uk or telephone 01204 497068

THANK YOU

We would like parishioners to bring in palms they have at home so we can use them to burn for ashes used for Ash Wednesday.

The altar servers will be burning the palms on Tuesday 21 FEBRUARY before the pancake party.





The Food, Fellowship & Faith series for this year begins on Wednesday 15th February.

Everyone is very welcome.

Speaker Rev'd Hilary Howarth

The meal will be potato pie with crust and mushy peas or Veggie option

Names and food choices to

Anne-Marie Martin by Sun 12th February

The theme for this series is: *'My life in Five Objects and Two Songs'*

March 15th	Rev'd. Chris Pritchard
April 19th	Rev'd. Robert Creamer
May 17th	Mr. Steve Maslivec
June 21st	Rev'd. Carolyn Lawrence
July 19th	Mr. Bernard Carney
August 16th	Mr. Dave Bagley
September 20th	Mr. Walt Johnson



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Please note that the scheduled date for the next Sacramental Programme Mass is next weekend of 11th/12th February. All children on the current Sacramental Programme and their families should please attend one of the weekend Masses:



St Thomas of Canterbury
or 11.15 a.m. Mass
or
St. Joseph 9.30 a.m. Mass

5.30 p.m. Mass

Saturday 11th February
Sunday 12th February
Sunday 12th February

PANCAKE PARTY

INVITATION TO OUR ALTAR SERVERS AND YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM
TUESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY - BECKET SUITE
ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY CHURCH
6.00 P.M.
PLEASE COME ALONG AND ENJOY THE FUN!



PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE FOR CONFIRMATION

Dates For Your Diary

7 February	SVP meeting
7 February	Bible Study Meeting
7 February	Parish Prayer Meeting
10 February	Mass for Vocations to the Priesthood (<i>See Website</i>)
11/12 February	3rd Session Sacramental Programme
12 February	FFF at the Triangle
12 February	Young Adults Mass and Q&A with Bishop John (<i>See Website</i>)
18 February	Youth Mass
19 February	Mass for Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (<i>See Website</i>)
21 February	Pancake Party / Palms for the Ashes
24 February	Quiz Night (details to follow)
18 March	St Patrick's Night (details to follow)

For details please see the individual notices

The Confirmation Sessions:

No	Dates	Themes	Location
7.	Saturday 4 th March 2023	Flame 2023	London (Whole Day)
8.	Thursday 27 th April 2023 (tbc)	Awe & Preparation for Confirmation	Thornleigh
9.	Thursday 18 th May 2023 (tbc)	Confirmation – What Happens	Parish
10.	Saturday 17 th June 2023 (tbc)	Retreat Day	Thornleigh
11.	Thursday 6 th July 2023 (tbc)	What Happens Next	Parish
12.	Thursday 13th July	CONFIRMATION	Thornleigh

PARISH MONTHLY PRAYER EVENING

This Session is to be a hybrid session, in-person and on zoom.

Those wishing to attend in person please arrange to be at the
St Thomas of Canterbury Church

Tuesday 7 February 8.00 p.m. start.

please email Lucy lucy.cleary@live.co.uk

For the required link to join in the Zoom meeting