



Saint Vincent de Paul Parish

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1st Sunday of Lent

1st March 2020

Readings: Sunday Cycle A Psalter Week 1

Monday	10.00am	Novena for Life
Tuesday	10.00am	Novena to Saint Vincent de Paul
Wednesday	7.30pm	Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
Thursday	10.00am	Novena to Saint Philomena
Friday	N/A	Father Devlin's Day Off
Saturday	6.30pm	Novena to Most Sacred Heart
Sunday	10.00am	Family Mass



First Reading *Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7*

Eve and Adam eat from the tree that was forbidden to them by God.

Responsorial Psalm
A prayer for mercy

Second Reading *Romans 5:12-19*
Through the obedience of Jesus, many will be made righteous.

Gospel Reading *Matthew*

4:1-11

Jesus fasts for 40 days in the desert and is tempted by the devil.

In each of the three Synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew, and Luke), after Jesus' baptism by John, Jesus is reported to have gone to the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. In each case, while in the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

In Matthew, as in Luke, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger; he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test; and he offers Jesus all of the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship the devil. In each case, Jesus resists the temptation, rebuking the devil with words from Scripture.

The account of Jesus' temptation in the desert is filled with allusions and parallels to the Old Testament, including the story of the people of Israel. The Israelites spent 40 years wandering in the desert in Exodus, for example, and Jesus spends 40 days in the desert. As the Israelites were tempted during the Exodus, so too is Jesus tempted.

Each temptation offers insight into both God and the human condition. Jesus' rejection of the temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil, confident in God's protection and faithfulness.

As we start our journey through Lent, our Sunday readings call us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice; God's promise of protection can be trusted; God alone is God.

Saint Vincent de Paul Parish News

Eucharistic Adoration

Resumes Monday 24th February

Monday 10-12 Tuesday 10-12 Wednesday 6pm-8pm Thursday
10-12.

There is also one Hour of Prayer on the First Sunday of every Month for Priests lead
by the Indian Community. (11-12pm, i.e. 1st September 2019)

"Life has changed but not ended"

For the McIlwaine, Logan and Carter Family, Sam Watters, Paul Morgan and May Chapman, Bridget Mc Allister, Anne Millar Sophie Hamilton, Samuel Cavanagh, Teeney Rogan, Elizabeth Stage. Sophie Hamilton, Tommy McKee, Molly Rocks. Benny Lynch, Brigid Mc Quade, Rose Hanson, Catherine and Alice Mackessy, Rosie Morgan, Winnie McArdle, Imelda Murphy.

Our Collections and Draw:

Last week Collection: Weekly Offering

This week Collection: Weekly Offering; Monthly Offering

Next week: Weekly Offering; Restoration Fund



Week 9

First Prize £40: Mrs Hutchinson

Second and Third Prize £10: Lottie McIlwaine and Edwina Noble

Cards are available in the Sacristy

New Promoter and members needed

Thanks for the Support - Fr Devlin

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Parish Draw

£1 Weekly

No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

No.



Our Candles:

Sacred Heart - Mary Special Intention

Our Lady's - Mary Special Intention

Sanctuary -

Saint Vincent de Paul Parochial Hall/ House

Monday:



- Knit and Knatter group: Why not come and join us in the Parochial House on a Monday between 11.00-12.45. It's a 'Knitting Good Time'



-Ladies Boxercise, 2nd of September, 7:30pm-8:30pm, 10 weeks, cost - £1 per session provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre

Tuesday: Boot Camp 7pm provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre



Wednesday: Pilates 7pm, 10 weeks, cost - £1 per session provided by Ligoniel Healthy Living Centre



Thursday evenings: Girl Guides - Welcome back! New members welcome 6pm-8pm



Saturday Morning: Saint Vincent de Paul School is providing Transfer Tuition 2 sessions 10am-11.30am, 1130 -1pm Cost £10 per Child, per Class.



A reminder the Parochial Main Hall is available for hiring. Check availability and for parties especially Saturday daytime and night times.



Sunday: Bingo 8pm

Deaf Chaplaincy Down and Connor / Saint Joseph's Centre



Add us as your Friend! Saint Joseph's Centre for the Deaf is now on Facebook!
- So to ensure you are kept most up to date with our happenings then add on as your friend on Facebook, you will find us under "Saint Joseph's Centre"

New event



Each first Saturday of the month, the Saturday evening mass will be fully signed and the Deaf Community will gather in the parochial house for light refreshments and entertainment. This begins on Saturday the 7th of September.

Invitation

What are you doing for Lent 2020? This year, I would like to invite and encourage you to take a 'free trip' to the Holy Land, travelling with Jesus as he enters into his Passion.

'No Greater Love' is a Lenten programme based on a series of short films shot on location in the Holy Land and presented by Edward Sri. During five sessions, Christ's amazing love for us is revealed, as we walk step-by-step with Jesus on a Biblical journey through the Scriptures from the Garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Each session will provide an opportunity to pray and talk together as members of our parish family.

The **'No Greater Love'** programme will be offered in three venues in our Pastoral Community:

Holy Family Church, 226 Limestone Road, BT15 3AP

Dates - Tuesday 3rd, Tuesday 10th, Monday 16th, Tuesday 24th and Tuesday 31st March

Time - 7.30pm to 9.00pm

Refreshments will be served in the Gathering Space

To register, please contact Holy Family Parish Office T: 9074 3119 (no fee required)

The Houben Centre, Holy Cross, Ardoyne, 434 Crumlin Road, BT14 7GE

Dates - Monday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th March

Time - 11am to 12 noon

Refreshments will be served at 10.30am following the celebration of 10am Mass

To register, please contact Holy Cross Parish Office T: 9074 8231 (no fee required)

Sacred Heart Church, 1a Glenview Street, BT14 7DP

Dates - Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th March and 1st April

Time - 11.00am to 12 noon

Refreshments will be served at 10.30am following the celebration of 10am Mass

To register, please contact Sacred Heart Parish Office T: 9075 1543 (no fee required)

Health Care Advice

Empty

Holy Water Fonts

**Suspend
Sign of Peace.**

Receive Holy Communion in hand.

Communion Ministers to wash hands before and after sharing Communion.