

St Peter and the Guardian Angels

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – 27TH MARCH 2022

“LENT is a time for believing, for welcoming God into our lives and allowing him to “make his dwelling” among us (cf. Jn 14:23). Fasting involves being freed from all that weighs us down – like consumerism or an excess of information, whether true or false – in order to open the doors of our hearts to the One who comes to us, poor in all things, yet “full of grace and truth” (Jn 1:14): the Son of God our Saviour.’ He says that Lent is the season of hope; that the “living water” of the Holy Spirit will enable us to continue our journey. This hope is given to us as inspiration and interior light through recollection and silent prayer. The experience of hope during Lent ‘means receiving the hope of Christ, who gave His life on the Cross and was raised by God on the third day.’” (Pope Francis)

GACS Energy Fast 2022

Week Four (27 March): Finding the Energy Phantoms

Do you have electronic devices in your home that are always on? Computers, tvs, appliances...even when devices are in sleep mode, they still use electricity (as much as 25% of your total usage, according to some estimates). This week, walk through your home and turn off any and all unused electronics at the mains, and see if it makes a difference on your meter.

Southwark Catholic Youth Service

In readiness for Lent, young people from around the Diocese have been sharing how they plan to mark Lent 2022. These pledges are being shared daily via social media in the week leading up to Ash Wednesday. In addition to their regular posts reflecting on the day's Gospel or feast day, throughout Lent SCYS social media will be releasing regular video reflections. You can find out more by following **Southwark Catholic Youth Service** on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#).

This Lent PACT, the major Catholic prisons charity, is sharing with parishes a new Stations of the Cross liturgy. The simple text includes the words of prisoners, people with convictions and people who have served a ‘hidden sentence’ alongside a family member in prison. PACT invite you to use the liturgy in your parish or community during Lent.

“All my life I’d been in this defeated place. I thought I was just a bad person; a bad apple and I was just going to be like that for the rest of my life. Then I came into contact with an addiction programme and I had already been praying...For the first time in my life, I was not just wanting to be a good person but trying to be a good person on a daily basis and having the tools to do it through prayer.”

The human dignity of those among us whose lives have been shaped by their experiences of the criminal justice system, shines through this text. We invite you to truly listen. You can download the Stations of the Cross liturgy here: <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/stations-of-the-cross>

Marriage preparation: Engaged couples seeking marriage in Church should inform the Parish office at least **six** months before the intended wedding date so that there is enough time for all the necessary administration to be completed. This requirement applies to marriages taking place here in the parish, in other parts of the UK, and overseas.

Mass Times and News

SUNDAY: 27th March, FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT C 9am: for the people 11pm:	THURSDAY: 31st March 9:15am: Mass
MONDAY: 28th March No Mass	FRIDAY: 1st APRIL 9:15am: Mass; 7pm Station of the Cross
TUESDAY: 29th March 12pm Funeral of Late Breda Davies; 7:30pm: Mass	SATURDAY: 2nd April 6pm: Mass –
WEDNESDAY: 30th March 9:15am: Mass – For Holy Souls 6pm Baptism preparation session for parents	SUNDAY: 3RD APRIL – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT C 9: 00am: for the people 11:00am: James & Julia Brennan RIP - Anniversary

The new Gift Aid Boxes for 2022/23 are available for collection at the back of the church. If you are not a box holder, and are a taxpayer, please do consider signing up for the Gift Aid Scheme, you can also donate by Banker's Order. The relevant forms are at the back of the church or on the parish website.

<https://stpeterandtheguardianangels.com>. Please contact Diane Rampling on dmrampling@aol.com or 07808 006228, if you would like to discuss further.

Pope's prayer Intentions for March: We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS; 6th March collection - **£847.95.** 13th March collection **£755.81!**; collection -20th March 593.55. Standing order February, 2022 - **£307.** **THANK YOU!**

Prayer for the sick & housebound; we remember those who have asked for our prayers;

"Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ.

Rest your weary ones.

Bless your dying ones.

Soothe your suffering ones.

Pity your afflicted ones.

Shield your joyous ones.

And for all your love's sake. Amen."

(St Augustine)

Your prayers are also requested for: Jeany McDonagh, Anna, Monika, Lusía & Slawek; Esther, Oliver, Stephen, Pepe, Goren, Sharon, Philip, James, Mary, Rosemarie, Paul, Mark, Noel, Dany, Daniel, Saher Sinclair, Marek, Charlie, Fergie, Kohen.

Holy Souls: please pray for the repose of the soul of **Judy Cumberbatch** and **Eugenie Dudek** and for those who have died recently, **May they rest in peace.** Also, for those whose anniversaries that occur this time.

How To Have a Mass Offered: Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope, which you will find at the back of Church. Once completed, place in the Collection bags on Sunday or hand it to the priest, or if during the week put it through the Priest's House letterbox.

A retreat for Lent: Southwark Spirituality Commission: Online Lent Retreat:

Make some space to develop your relationship with God this Lent. Sign up for our Diocesan 'retreat at home' called **Saving Grace**. Every week you will receive an email with links to a 25minute video in which our Archbishop John will introduce the theme and the reading, Chris Chapman will deliver the retreat, with others contributing. You will also receive materials to use in your own prayer and reflection. All you have to do is sign up and then set aside what space you can for Saving Grace!

For full details and to sign up: <http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/>

Do you know any elderly, Housebound or Sick Parishioners that would benefit from a home visit from Fr TesfaMichael if so, please visit the Presbytery or call 020 237 2969 or can speak directly to Fr after each Mass.

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