

## Lent Fast Day Prayer

God of love, maker of all,  
transform my heart through my Lenten journey  
of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Help me to see the dignity  
In all my sisters and brothers,  
Made in your image and likeness.

Inspire me to share the fruits of your creation  
So that all your people can become  
Artisans of their own destiny.

Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

We will collect the contribution from our fasting on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

### Saints of the Week

#### **St Robert Southwell, Priest & Martyr**

**21<sup>st</sup> February**

He spent part of his boyhood at Roughway (now Roffey) Place, near Horsham. He was ordained Priest in 1584. He returned to England from Rome in 1586 and spent six years in England until he was arrested by Topcliffe and sentenced to death. He was martyred on 21<sup>st</sup> February 1595 at Tyburn.



#### **The Chair of St Peter**

**Apostle**

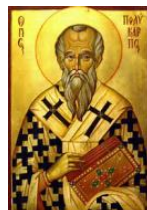
**22<sup>nd</sup> February**

This feast has been kept at Rome since the fourth century, as a symbol of the unity of the church.

#### **St Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr**

**23<sup>rd</sup> February**

Bishop of Smyrna in the second century, a disciple of the apostle John, Polycarp was martyred in Smyrna in 155 AD.



*God Bless Fr Tony*

**18<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**First Sunday of Lent**

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### **OUR LADY IMMACULATE & ST MICHAEL BATTLE with ST TERESA OF LISIEUX NORTHIAM**

The Presbytery, 14 Mount Street, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0EG

### **MASSSES FOR THE WEEK: SAT 17<sup>th</sup> – SUN 25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**

- SAT: 17<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm** INTENTION OF ROD RICHARDSON  
**SUN: 18<sup>th</sup> 9.00am** BRENDA CAMPBELL, R.I.P. – ST TERESA'S  
10.45am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH – BATTLE  
**MON: 19<sup>th</sup> 10.00am** HOLY SOULS  
**TUES: 20<sup>th</sup> 10.00am** IDINA, MARY, VISCOUNTRESS  
BRASSEY, R.I.P. (F.M.)  
**WED: 21<sup>st</sup> NO MASS**  
12noon – 2pm LENTEN LUNCH – EMMANUEL CENTRE  
**THURS: 22<sup>nd</sup> 7.00pm** FIRST LENTEN MASS –  
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
**FRI: 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am** CONSTANCE CANE, R.I.P. (F.M.)  
**SAT: 24<sup>th</sup> 10.00am** PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
6.00pm REV DAVID WESTON, R.I.P.  
**SUN: 25<sup>th</sup> 9.00am** INTENTION OF RICHARD BEATY-POWNALL –  
ST TERESA'S  
10.45am ELIZABETH (TONI) KOLSEN, R.I.P. – BATTLE

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 9.30am – 9.50am**

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## **Introduction to the Scripture Readings**

### **First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15**

God gives us the rainbow as a sign of God's everlasting covenant with humankind.

### **Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22**

God's will is to save us all. Baptism is God's pledge to us of this desire.

### **Gospel: Mark 1:12-15**

After being tempted in the wilderness by Satan, Jesus begins his proclamation of the Good News from God.

## **Events and Feast Days This Week**

**Wednesday** is the memorial St Robert Southwell, Martyr, Diocesan Feast.

**Thursday** is the feast of the Chair of St Peter the Apostle.

**Friday** is Lenten Family Fast Day.

Memorial of St Polycarp, Bishop.

### **We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our community:**

**From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael:** Elsa Oliver, Margaret Thunder, Ingrid Reeves, Jo Cooper, Stephen Bould, Daphne Kilner, Pauline Fraser, Martin Guiver, Jean Jameson, Dreda Mahoney, Michael Conroy, Tom Healy, Jeanne Cogdell, Philip Francis, Maureen Dixon, Rod Richardson.

**From St Teresa's:** Derek Robinson, Pat Hoskins, Keith Bourne, Roland Frank, Barney O'Neill, Terry & Audrey Evans, Gerard & Joy Scothern & their family, Martin Mooney, Kathleen Courtney, June Nottage.

## **Offertory**

The collection for the weekend of 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> February was £273.59 in Battle and £90.40 in Northiam. £130 was collected for the Crib Collection and £271.01 was collected for the Diocesan Lourdes Fund. Thank you all for your generosity.

Please note the old £10 note will no longer be accepted after 1<sup>st</sup> March, please check your wallets/purses and use them before this date.

## **Sacramental Programmes**

**First Communion:** The next meeting of the First Communion Group is this Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm, in the Presbytery, the theme is 'Sharing'.

**Confirmation:** The next meeting of the Confirmation Group is this Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 7.00pm for our Taizé evening.

## **Lenten Lunch**

We need some help on the day of the Lenten lunch, Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February, please. If you can spare an hour between 11am and 2pm we should be very grateful. Please contact Christine - 774302 or Terri - 853384.

## **Lenten Happenings**

**Lenten Lunch** – Our first Lunch this Lent is on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February, at the Emmanuel Centre, prepared by the Methodist Church.

**First Station Mass** – this is on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February in the Church, as we reflect on the first four stations of Christ's journey to Calvary.

### **Deanery Penitential Services –**

- Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2pm at St Mary Magdalen Church, Sea Road, Bexhill.
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 7pm at St Thomas of Canterbury & English Martyrs Church, St Leonards on Sea.

## **Taizé Experience**

Please try to come along to our Taizé Evening on the 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm. It is always a great experience. Just a little effort to get to the Church.

## **Battle UCM – Union of Catholic Mothers**

The UCM will meet on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 2:15pm for 2:30pm, in the parish rooms, our Speaker will be John Reid and his talk entitled Signs and Symbols. All ladies of the Parish welcome.

## **Parish Book Group**

The next meeting will be held on 22nd February at 2pm to discuss 'The Muse' by Jessie Burton. 'The Trouble with Goats and Sheep' by Joanna Cannon, and 'The Essex Serpent' by Sarah Perry, will be discussed when dates have been arranged. We welcome new members.

## **Women's World Day of Prayer**

The Women's World Day of Prayer service will take place in our church on Friday 2nd March at 2pm. Please come and support us if you can.

## **Catenian Quiz Night**

The Catenians are holding a Quiz at Beauport Park Golf Club from 7.00pm on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of March. Entry is £7.50 and includes a light supper. Proceeds go to the Hastings Snowflakes and The Railway Children. Please let Richard or Brenda Widenka know if you are coming: Tel 01424 772090.

## **Family Fast Day**

Next Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February, is Family Fast Day.

- Fast, pray and give today (a great Lenten slogan of the three great ways of penance).
- Miss a meal so a family can eat – also helps our reflection.
- Don't forget your donation this Fast Day can make double the difference. Donations will be matched by the UK Government pound for pound up to a total of £5million, at no extra cost to you.