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Times of Mass this Week

27th/28th February 2016

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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| <u>Saturday</u> | 5.30 pm Adele Lloyd RIP |
| <u>Sunday</u> | 11.00 am People of the Parish |
| <u>Monday</u> | 10.00 am Gary Hobbs Int |
| <u>Tuesday</u> | 10.00 am Rev Pat Flanagan Int |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | 10.00 am Margaret Ruddy RIP |
| <u>Thursday</u> | 6.15 pm Mary O'Driscoll RIP |
| <u>Friday</u> | 9.00 am Mrs Amal Hannah RIP |

NEXT SUNDAY

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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| <u>Saturday</u> | 5.30 pm Bill Malone RIP |
| | 11.00 am People of the Parish |

Confessions: Saturday after Mass

LENT LUNCHES On Mondays in Lent the Christian Churches in Bidford come together for a simple lunch. The venue is The Methodist Church from 12.15 – 2.00 pm. The money donated will be given to 'Open Doors', a charity which supports persecuted Christians around the world. Each church takes a turn.

THIS WEEK'S TWEET The Diocese has asked me to contribute a Tweet each Wed., bearing in mind the context of Prison Chaplaincy.

Pope Francis in Mexican Prison: "Brothers, I always ask myself when I go into prison, why them and not me? It is a mystery of divine mercy."

The Diocesan website is very interesting:
www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

LENT COLLECTION FOR CAFOD

Thank you for your generous collection last weekend for CAFOD. The cashier in the Bank wondered what had happened! It came to £704.47

NEXT SUNDAY there will be a second collection for the maintenance of St Chad's Cathedral, the Mother Church of our Diocese. It was designed by Pugin. It does not have a resident population as it is surrounded by commerce.

LENTEN "WALK WITH ME" BOOK-LETS

in this Year of Mercy. In his introduction, His Grace, the Archbishop, writes: "(In Lent) So many of the scriptures invite us to rediscover the merciful face of the Father. The Holy Spirit gives us the grace to make our own the many rich passages from Scripture from the Lenten liturgy. Lent is a season of mercy because it is also a time of repentance and conversion. ... As Pope Francis has said in his message for Lent, during these weeks we are to give first place to a 'prayerful listening to God's word, especially his prophetic word.' Let us do just that!"

ST JOSEPH'S WEBSITE UP & RUNNING Address:

<http://sjtw-bidford.org.uk>

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Led by Archbishop Bernard, 28th May – 3rd June. There are two choices of travel: By **COACH** all the way from various points in the Diocese to Lourdes via the short sea crossing Dover/Calais. By **AIR** from Birmingham to Lourdes. The Coach Section: fares from £407.00: Air Section: fares from £695.00. I have some booking forms if you wish to see more details.

Offertory Collection 13th/14th Feb: Offertory £158.31 plus Standing Orders. Thank you.
20th/21st Feb: Offertory £128.50 Thank you.

Please pray for the sick, housebound and those who care for them: Niamh Coyne, Pat Hopkins, Betty Gowers, Mary Normoyle, Clive Stanbrook, David Ryan, Michael Moore, John Fisher, Archie Parsons, Heather Gerard, Harry, Chris Browne, Brian Holberry, Mary Palmer, Emily Parker, Shelly & Margaret Gray, Phil Palmer, Liz Gowers, Mary Lamming, Martin Prickett.