

St Matthias Church

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 8th March 2020

Welcome all visiting with us for the first time and invite you all to join us, after mass, for Coffee/tea at the back of Church

Sunday 8th	LENT II	Parish Mass 11am
Monday 9th	Feria of Lent	Mass 10am
Tuesday 10th	S Frances	Mass 6pm
Wednesday 11th	Feria of Lent	Mass 10am
Thursday 12th	Feria of Lent	
Friday 13th	Feria of Lent	
Saturday 14th	Feria of Lent	Mass 10am
Sunday 15th	LENT III	Parish Mass 11am

CORONA VIRUS

Please ensure you have your hands cleansed when entering the church.

LENT

Do try and attend Wednesday midweek Mass and the poverty lunch that we will have as part of our fellowship; all are welcome to attend. This week, the soup committee team thought it would be nice to have a Vegetable Soup!

Forms are now available to fill in for **Easter Flowers** to dedicate in memory of a loved one. Monies for this should be in by **Palm Sunday which begins on Sunday 5th April**. Please give your monies to Yvonne Nichols.

Lent Study Group begins this **Tuesday evening** following mass at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to come along, just turn up to the side entrance of the church. We will be looking at "What it means to be Anglican"! We will begin at 6:40 and finish no later than 7:45

Holy Week Diaries will be available soon.

MOTHERS' UNION

At the last branch meeting a few weeks ago, it was discussed that the branch should close. This is due to lack of numbers and also, Icilma, who has faithfully been the branch leader for many years wishes to stand down as leader. It would be a great loss not to have a Mother's Union branch, and so Icilma and Fr David met to discuss the possibility of allowing anyone else to take a lead as a Branch Leader. If you feel that you are being called in this capacity, then have a word with either Icilma or Fr David.

Mother's Union are dedicated to supporting the church members and the parish priest, so it would be great if we can have an enthusiasm to keep the branch open. If no one comes forwards, then the branch will sadly shut after the APCM.

HEATING

As you are aware, it costs a lot of money to keep the church warm, but as we are now in March, the heating will be turned off on the weekend when the clocks go forward on Sunday 29th March, after the service!

CONFIRMATION AND BAPTISM

We hope to offer Confirmation at the end of the year, if you are interested in getting Confirmed, please have a word with Fr David.

RAFFLE TICKETS

It is encouraging that many have taken books to sell, please persevere with selling them so that we may hit our target. The draw will take place at our Patronal Festival **on Sunday 17th May '2020**.