

Readings for Seventh Sunday of Year B

First Reading

1 Samuel 26:2.7-9.12-13.22-23

Thus says the Lord: o need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises. Jacob, you have not invoked me, you have not troubled yourself, Israel, on my behalf. Instead you have burdened me with your sins, troubled me with your iniquities. I it is, I it is, who must blot out everything and not remember your sins.

The Word of the Lord.

Ps: 40:2-5.13-14

[R]: *Heal my soul for I have sinned against you.*

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 1:18-22

I swear by God's truth, there is no Yes and No about what we say to you. The Son of God, the Christ Jesus that we proclaimed among you - I mean Silvanus and Timothy and I - was never Yes and No: with him it was always Yes, and however many the promises God made, the Yes to them all is in him. That is why it is 'through him' that we answer Amen to the praise of God. Remember it is God himself who assures us all, and you, of our standing in Christ, and has anointed us, marking us with his seal and giving us the pledge, the Spirit, that we carry in our hearts. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!*

Gospel Reading

Mark 2:1-12

When Jesus returned to Capernaum, word went round that he was back; and so many people collected that there was no room left, even in front of the door. He was preaching the word to them when some people came bringing him a paralytic carried by four men, but as the crowd made it impossible to get the man to him, they stripped the roof over the place where Jesus was; and when they had made an opening, they lowered the stretcher on which the paralytic lay. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralytic, 'My child, your sins are forgiven.' Now some scribes were sitting there, and they thought to themselves, 'How can this man talk like that? He is blaspheming. Who can forgive sins but God?' Jesus, inwardly aware that this was what they were thinking, said to them, 'Why do you have these thoughts in your hearts? Which of these is easier: to say to the paralytic, "Your sins are forgiven" or to say, "Get up, pick up your stretcher and walk"? But to prove to you that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins,' - he said to the paralytic - 'I order you: get up, pick up your stretcher, and go off home.' And the man got up, picked up his stretcher at once and walked out in front of everyone, so that they were all astounded and praised God saying, 'We have never seen anything like this.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



The Reminder

Sunday 19th February 2012
Seventh Sunday of the Year
Year B

Holy Souls' Presbytery
Frodingham Road
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Holy Souls' Catholic Church

Mass Timetable for the Week

Day	Time	Intention
Saturday 18th February 2012 <i>Our Lady's Saturday</i>	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish 5.30 pm Winterton 5.30 pm	May Bowers RIP Polish Priest's Intentions People of the Parish Domingos Antonio RIP
Sunday 19th February 2012 <i>7th Sunday</i>	9.30 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Barry Fagan RIP Polish Priest's Intentions The Neary Family RIP
Monday <i>Feria</i>	9.00 am	Joaquim Rodrigues RIP
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish	Lopes Correia RIP Polish Priest's Intentions
Ash Wednesday	9.00 am Polish 12 noon 6.30 pm	Polish Priest's Intentions Rose Guilfoyle RIP James Watson RIP
Thursday <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish	Joe Colins RIP Polish Priest's Intentions
Friday <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish 6.30 pm Stations 7.00 pm	Betty Wolkowski RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Stations of The Cross Niland Family RIP
Saturday 25th February 2012 <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish 5.30 pm Winterton 5.30 pm	Dennis Bowman RIP Polish Priest's Intentions John Mallon Intentions People of the Parish
Sunday 26th February 2012 <i>1st Sunday of Lent</i>	9.30 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Kath Finn RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Mary Bowers RIP
Rosary	<i>20 minutes before Mass Monday to Friday</i> <i>Saturday after 9.30 am Mass</i>	
Confessions	<i>Saturday 11.00 am-12 noon; 4.30 pm-5.00 pm</i>	
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<i>Wednesday 12.30-1.30 pm concluding with Benediction</i> <i>Saturday 4.30-5.15 pm concluding with Benediction</i>	

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Scunthorpe General Hospital – For the ministration of a Catholic priest contact Fr Eddy Jarosz on (01724) 842197

Welcome

Welcome to any visitors this weekend. Please come and join us in the Parish Hall for tea and coffee after the 9.30 am Mass.

Meeting for First Communion Parents

Wednesday 29th February at 7.00pm to explain the arrangements for First Confession. *Please note* this meeting is for parents only.

Deanery Retreat

We will be hosting the Deanery Lenten retreat on Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd March 2012. Please see poster for further details and timetable.

Women's World Day Of Prayer

Friday, 2nd March. "Praying for Malaysia". All Saints Church, East Common Lane, at 2 pm; The Salvation Army Church, Ashby High Street at 7.30 pm. See poster in porch.

KSC Draw Tickets

The Knights of St Columba will be selling draw tickets after Mass with a top prize of £1,500. They are, as always, priced at £1 per ticket.

Joseph (New Price)

Tickets are now reduced in price to £22. Please hand money (or cheques payable to Holy Souls Parish) to Fr Eddy to secure your ticket.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

16th to 21st July. "With Bernadette praying the Rosary", the pastoral theme for Lourdes 2012. For further information please contact Fr Gregory Tobin on 07760 372105, email: admin@nottingham-lourdes.org.uk or Tangney Tours on 01732 886666.

New TV Series about the Catholic Church in England

The Catholic church is set to feature in a new series of three films to be shown on BBC 4 Television in February and March 2012. Each of the three films – one about men, one about women, one about children – is an intimate portrait of a different Catholic world, revealing Catholicism to be a rich and complex identity and observing how this identity shapes people's lives. The series starts on Thursday 23rd February, at 9.00 pm, with 'Priests' filmed over six months and an intimate behind-the-scenes portrait of Allen Hall seminary in London.

Stations of the Cross

On Friday evenings at 6.30 pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm.

Station Masses

On Thursday evenings from 1st March. Devotions and Confessions from 7 pm with Mass at 7.30 pm.

The First Station Mass will be at St Mary's in Brigg.

8th March - St Bernadette's

15th March - St Thomas, Gainsborough

22nd March - St Augustine Webster, Barton

29th March - St Norbert's, Crowle

Deanery Penitential Service

Tuesday, 3rd April, 7 pm, Holy Souls

Lent Reading

Lenten Walk with Me, priced £1 and also a new selection of CTS booklets.

Churches in North Scunthorpe

"Looking at what we believe." A five week course written and presented by local churches in North Scunthorpe through Lent, starting this week.

Tuesdays, 7 pm - Ferry Road Congregational Church

Tuesdays 7.30 pm - St Lawrence's, Frodingham

Wednesday 7.30 pm - St George's, Crosby

Thursdays 10.30 am - St Lawrence's, Frodingham

Web Site

Recent developments include a 'useful links' section under the contact tab which will take you to a number of other sites of interest. Any other suggestions for links welcome.

Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday

In this country Shrove Tuesday is often known as Pancake Day. In medieval times people not only gave up meat in Lent, but also all dairy products. Hence the need to use up any eggs, milk, and cream. If you toss your pancakes, try and toss each pancake three times (in honour of the Trinity). Other countries have different traditions. In French this day is called Mardi gras (Fat Tuesday) and in other places it is carnival time (carni-vale farewell to meat). All these traditions are worth keeping, but only if we then go on to recognise the proper purpose of Lent.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. It is a day of Fasting and Abstinence. All Catholics aged 14 to 65 who are in good health are asked to abstain from meat and to eat less than usual on that day. It is not a Holyday of Obligation although more people attend Mass on Ash Wednesday than on many Holydays. At Mass (or at other liturgies if there is not Mass) ashes are placed on people's forehead with the words 'remember you are dust and to dust you shall return' or 'repent and believe in the Gospel'. If you receive your ashes in the morning, don't wipe them off straight away, but display them publically throughout the day as a sign of your faith and a reminder to others of the day.

(Taken from the CTS Book 'Lent and Easter: Catholic Customs and Traditions')