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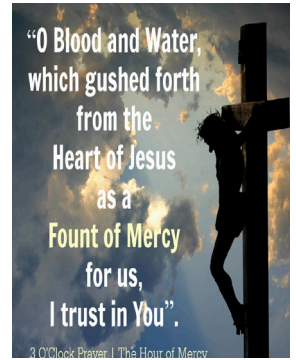
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2nd Sunday of Lent B 25th February, 2024 Holy Mass & Services

Mon - Fri: 10am

Saturday: 10am, 4pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 10am, 12 Noon & 5pm

Children's Liturgy 12 Noon Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: -Mon - Sat 9am - 9.55am

Divine Mercy Novena: Mon 2pm

Confessions: Mon - Sun 9.30am - 9.55am

Baptisms & Marriage: - To arrange a baptism or marriage please contact Father Ghislain

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- First Reading: Gn22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18
- Responsorial Psalm: **I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living**
- Second Reading: Rom: 8: 31-34
- Gospel: Mk 9: 2-10
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Weekly Collection

Please support your Parish through the weekly collection, our income relies solely on the donations of our parishioners.

Last week's collection

First Collection: £841.37

Building Fund: £580.74

There will be second collection this weekend for sick and retired priests

Thank you for your generosity.

500 Club Winners!

1st Prize R Charnley (204)

2nd Prize D McManus (142)

3rd Prize K Hannah (176)

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Parish Social Night on Friday. We raised £900 for our Church Building Fund.

We look forward to seeing you all at the next one!

Please keep in your prayers

Sick: Ann & John McShane & Family, Linda Webb, Isobel Reilly, Carol McGuinness, Pauline O'Rourke, Anne Marie Snodden, James Donnelly, Patricia McGhee, Kelly Noble, Michael McGarrity, Sadie McBride, Mary Torbett, Sharon, Elizabeth McKenna, Alex Cooper, Sr Kathleen Owens; Ann Smith, Helen Smith, Alice Kilmurry, Danny Dick, Peter Alexander, Ann McAlinden, Mary Cunningham, Patricia McGhee, Margaret Wallace, Irene Leckie, Kay McDonagh, Mary Glasgow, John Slevin, Andrew Maxwell, Hugh Kelly, Kerry Marshall; John Paul Devlin, Caroline Miller; Carrie Miller, Mathew Miller, Maria Bolton, John Paul Devlin, Thomas Lally, Marion Moran, Sadie Harkin, Charlie Martin. John Paul Devlin, David Love, James Brown, Jim McCormick,

RIP: A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of James (Jeff) Peacock on Wednesday 28th February at 10am his body will be received into the Church on Tuesday 27th February at 6pm Cathie Wilson, Thomas Keane, Daniel McAuley (Requiem Mass in St Augustine's on 4th March at 10am)

Month's Mind: Sadie Slowey, Patsy Robertson, Gerald Joseph Murphy, Lawrence, William & Mary Brankin, William, Ellen & Annie Brankin, John & Kevin McGrath, Joseph, Agnes, Eddie & Joe Mina, Brian, Patricia, & Brian Jnr Sharkey, Kathleen Smith, David Hayton, Mary McSwiggan, Tom Sharp, Ellen & Helen Moore, Eddie Fagan, Jim, Betty & Phil Duffy, John Moore, Margaret McAuley, Sam & Anne Black, John Black Charlie & Kevin Trower, Margaret Maxwell, Ellen Madden, Ita Bolton, May & Jimmy McLaughlin, Kathleen & Peter Dolan, Tilly & Marie Clarke, Mattie, Thomas & Tommy Collins, Jim Boyle

Anniversaries: Anna McGrath, Peter Moore, Jim McAuley, Thomas J & Agnes Murphy, John & Mary McPhee, Brian Lowe, Francis Boyle

Birthday Remembrance: Patrick Thomson

Please also remember the souls who have no-one to pray for them.

2nd Sunday of Lent B - Transfiguration of the Lord.

Today's readings are about transformation. We have to transform our dull and sleepy spiritual life into dynamic Christian life. How? By co-operating with the grace of God and the strengthening of the Holy Spirit through prayer, fasting, and sharing our blessings with those in need. What result is expected? A renewal of our spiritual life radiating Christ's love around us.

The three readings refer to transfiguration on three mountains. The first reading explains how Abraham's obedience and faith were transformed to blind obedience and trusting faith in his God, when Yahweh saved Isaac from being sacrificed on Mount Moriah, making Abraham the Father of Faith. In the second reading, St. Paul speaks about the Mount Calvary transfiguration of Jesus, the only begotten Son of God when instead of saving him from death as He spared Isaac, God the Father permitted Jesus to die a shameful death by crucifixion, suffering horrible pain and humiliation.

Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 116) speaks of God's distress at the death of anyone. "Too costly in the eyes of the LORD is the death of His faithful." In the Transfiguration story in today's Gospel, Jesus is revealed in His Heavenly glory, superior to Moses and Elijah on the Mountain of Transfiguration, Tabor. The primary purpose of Jesus' Transfiguration was to allow him to consult his Heavenly Father and ascertain His plan for His Son's suffering, death, and Resurrection. God's secondary purpose was to comfort and strengthen Jesus and the apostles so that they abandon their worldly ambitions and dreams of a conquering political Messiah



We welcome Logan Brown who is to be Baptised this weekend. We implore God's blessing upon him and his family as we welcome him into our parish community.

Children's Liturgy

Would like to become part of our Children's Liturgy Team? We are looking for new leaders to join our team. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Father Ghislain

Altar Servers

Our next meeting will be on **Friday 1st March** at **3pm** in the church. If you would like to become an altar server you are welcome to come along to this meeting.

Food Parcels

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far to our foodbank.

If you know of anyone who needs help with food, please ask them to come and speak to Father Ghislain. Discretion is assured.



Wellspring Project

Our Parish Assembly will take place on **Wednesday 6th March** from **7 - 8.30pm** in the church hall to reflect on Vision, Missions and Parish Renewal. **I would encourage as many people as possible to attend this.** This is an opportunity for everyone to let their voice be heard and share ideas on how we move forward and grow our Parish Community.

2 nd Week of Lent Service Schedule	
Monday	Early morning Mass 7.30am Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass 10am Divine Mercy Devotions 2pm Stations of the Cross 7pm
Tuesday	Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass 10am
Wednesday	Early morning mass in St Monica's Primary School 8.40am Holy Rosary 9.30am Requiem Mass For James Peacock 10am
Thursday	Early morning Mass 8.15am Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass 10am
Friday	Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass 10am
Saturday	Holy Rosary 9.30am Holy Mass 10am First Holy Communion Children's Lenten Retreat starting at the 10am Mass to 12 Noon Vigil Mass 4pm
Sunday	Holy Mass 10am, 12 Noon & 5.00pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday to Saturday 9.30am to 9.55am	

Wishing you a Holy and Peaceful Sunday

