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ST GERTRUDE The GREAT

**1<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2015 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (Year B, Vol 1, P151)**

**Second Collection Today: CAFOD (Lenten Fast Day)**

**Next Week: None**

**PARISH STEWARDS**

**Fr Ugochukwu E. Nnaji MSP**

*(Parish Priest)*

**Fr David Gibbons**

*(Assisting Priest)*

**Barrister Tobias A. Riley-Smith**

*(Chairman Parish Pastoral Council)*

**Sister Irena Madej**

*(Co-ordinator of Catechesis/Liturgy)*

**Ms Mary Green**

*(Parish Secretary)*

**Mr Patrick Sanniez**

*(Sacristan)*

**Mrs Folasade Onile-Ere**

*(Catechist)*

**Mrs Bridget Kelly**

*(Safeguarding/Socials)*

**Mr Thomas McCarthy**

**MASSES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

**Sat 28 Feb 6:30pm: Kevin & Agnes Heary RIP**

**Sun 1 Mar 8:30am: Mr & Mrs Okonta**

**(P.Int.)**

**10.00am: Brigitte (P.Int.)**

**11.30am: Allou Miezen Teyba**

**RIP**

**Mon 2 Mar 9.30am: Holy Souls**

**Tue 3 Mar 7:30am: Mass at Holy Fam Convnt**

**Wed 4 Mar 9:30am: Mrs Osagie (Tgivg.)**

**Thur 5 Mar 9:30am: Pauline Galea RIP**

**Fri 6 Mar 9:30 am: Novelle Hughes RIP**

**10.00am-11.00am: Adoration & Benediction**

**MASSES/INTENTIONS NEXT WEEKEND:**

**Sat 7 Mar 6:30pm: People of the Parish**

**Sun 8 Mar 8:30am: Utomis family**

**10.00am: People of the**

**Today's Readings**

*By Fr David Gibbons, Centre for Catholic Formation*

**First Reading:** Abraham is prepared in faith to obey God's apparent command to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. This gives us as Christians an insight into the mind of God, who was prepared to sacrifice his only Son, Jesus Christ. The famous golden dome in Jerusalem, incidentally, marks the place where this event by tradition took place.

**Second Reading:** God did not spare his own Son. The last words in this reading inspired the belief that Jesus sits at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us, as we say in the Creed.

The **Gospel** on the Second Sunday of Lent is always the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus in the presence of His closest disciples. This gave them, and today gives us, hope of the glory that waits faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Please note that there will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent, from 7.00pm to 7.45pm.

**CAFOD**

Please remember to put your contribution for CAFOD's Lenten Fast Day in today's second collection.

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**JAMES COLDRICK, WILLIAM BURKE, JOHN WHEBLE, JAMES O'DONOGHUE, MARIA BRILHA, SIMONE JEAN, JOAQUIM BAPTISTA**  
**May they rest in the peace of God**

**FR THOMAS HENEGHAN RIP**

We remember especially in our prayers this week, Father Tom Heneghan, whose anniversary occurs on 6 March

**EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY**

**1<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

**\*\*Cake sales after Masses\*\***

**5<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

7:30pm-8:30pm: RCIA session

**6<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

7:00pm: Confirmation group

7:00pm: Stations of the Cross

(Prayer Group)

**11<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

7:30pm-9:00pm: Liturgy Group

**12<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

7:30pm-8:30pm: RCIA session

**OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD LAST WEEK**

1<sup>st</sup> collection: £860.18

Many thanks for your generosity  
£1,153 required each week to run the Parish.

**SACRAMENTS**

**BAPTISM**

The next Baptism preparation day will be on Monday 23 March 2015, from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Please call the parish office to register.

**RECONCILIATION**

5:45pm – 6:15pm- on Saturdays, or by appointment

**MARRIAGE ENQUIRIES**

For all marriage enquiries/proposals please make initial contact with the parish office six months in advance.

**PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL**

Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God