



Sacred Heart Parish, Bordon

'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured.

Our First Reading today explains the serious implications of contracting leprosy. Not only is it a very unpleasant disease, but it also isolates and separates the individual from society.

Jesus not only heals our illness and infirmity but also reaches out and reconciles us to the community.

The Lord has decided to do this primarily in Holy Baptism, then in Confession or in the Last Rites of the Church.

As we ask the Lord to 'cure' us this Lent, to rid us of vice and to help us to grow in virtue, let's take courage from the Lord's response to the leper 'of course I want to cure you'.



Parish Mission Statement:

"We are here to make Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament better known, loved, honoured, worshiped and adored. All of our efforts in this parish will be geared towards helping every individual to discover the Lord waiting for them to approach Him in the tabernacle".



The Sacrament of Confirmation

Parents: If your child has completed two years of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, you are invited to attend a meeting after Mass on Sunday 18th February.

PARISH GIVING



Making your weekly offering via **Standing Order** is the best way to give, if possible. It means we know how much will come into the parish each week / month and it also means that if you happen to be away, the parish will still receive your support. The Bank details you need to set up a Standing Order are:

Account Name:

CDP BORDON AND GRAYSHOTT

Sort Code: **30-93-04**

Account Number: **01755138**

GIFT AID

Anyone who pays income tax on pensions, wages etc can complete a **Gift Aid form** and increase whatever they offer to the parish by 25% at no extra cost to them (**the taxman donates it to the parish from what you have already paid him!**)

First Sunday of Lent Evening Prayer

Please come along to Vespers (Evening Prayer) next Sunday at 6pm.

Thank you Rebecca Pethybridge

Rebecca has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the Friday soup drop-in café.

Parish welcome hub – Friday soups!

Our first step towards forming a 'welcome hub' in the parish will begin on Friday 16th February with the 'Friday soups' drop in. If you can help with this, please do speak to Rebecca. Or come along and enjoy some soup and a chat with others! **ALL WELCOME.**

Butterflies Bereavement support

We are looking forward to Butterflies Bereavement establishing a centre here in the parish, offering professional counselling and support to those in need. Would you be interested in being trained by professionals and being part of the team? Butterflies is a secular charity, supporting people of all faiths and none. Please let Fr John know if you'd like to know more or visit www.bflies.org.uk



ASH WEDNESDAY

HOLY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday (VIGIL) 13th Feb 7pm
Wednesday 14th 10:00am



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Lent is different

On Ash Wednesday we will hear in the First Reading:

“Sound the trumpet in Zion! Order a fast, proclaim a solemn assembly, call the people together, summon the community, assemble the elders, gather the children, even the infants at the breast.

Let the bridegroom leave his bedroom and the bride her alcove.

Between vestibule and altar let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, lament. Let them say: ‘Spare your people, Lord’.

And this sets the scene for the next 40 days and 40 nights of Lent.....

So, during Lent the priests pause between the vestibule and the altar and lament ‘Kyrie eleison!’ Lord have mercy. Instead of standing, we all kneel and examine our conscience and we call upon the mercy of God.

There will be no ‘Gloria’ no ‘alleluia’; no flowers in the church and the liturgical colour is violet reminding us that Lent is a time of penance, sacrifice and self-denial.

We pray and fast in the weeks of Lent and the usual parish activities will take place to support you in all your efforts and to offer ideas for things you might do during Lent:

Mon: 10am Mass followed by Bible studies.








Tues: Confessions at 6pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:15pm and then Holy Mass at 7pm. Adult formation will take place after Mass until 8:30pm.

Wed: early morning Mass at 0730am.

Fri: Adoration and Confessions at 11am, Stations at 11:15am and Holy Mass at Midday followed by a Lenten soup lunch.

Sat: Adoration and Confessions at 5pm followed by Holy Mass at 6pm.

Sacramental Preparation in the Parish

						
<p>Baptism preparation:</p> <p>The next Preparation course begins in the New Year.</p>	<p>Confession:</p> <p>Available 30mins before every Mass and:</p> <p>5pm Sat 6pm Tues 11am Fri</p>	<p>First Confession and Holy Communion:</p> <p>Saturday 10th February at 10am</p>	<p>Confirmation class:</p> <p>Sunday 18th February after Mass</p>	<p>Marriage Preparation:</p> <p>It takes approx. 1 year to prepare for Marriage. Catholics must be Confirmed before Marriage.</p>	<p>Holy Orders:</p> <p>If you have ever considered a Vocation to the Priesthood / Deaconate, please speak to Fr John.</p>	<p>Last Rites:</p> <p>If there is ever the danger of death, please contact Fr John immediately.</p>



Confession Times:
30mins before every Mass &
 5pm on Saturdays
 6pm on Tuesday
 11.00am on Fridays
 Or by appointment



Family Catechesis:
 Learn about our faith as a family.... Every two weeks at 10am on Saturday mornings



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:
 Tuesday 6pm
 Friday 11.00am
 Saturday 5pm

Benediction: 5:45pm on Saturdays



Devotions:
 Holy Rosary: Wed after Mass
 Fri 11:30am
 First Friday: Every first Friday



EVERY TUESDAY

Adult Formation

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Tuesday evenings are given over to Adult formation.

The homily during Mass is in an extended form (looking more closely at the previous Sunday's Gospel) and then after Mass there is a formation session aimed at exploring the fundamental elements of our Catholic faith.

Opposite is an overview of the topics that we will be covering.

EVERYONE is welcome to attend as much or as little as they like.

The session after Mass begins at 7:45pm and ends at 8:30pm.

Even if you cannot make a weekly commitment, come along when you can!

October

- ~~What is God?~~
- ~~What is Man?~~
- ~~Original Sin: The separation between God and Man~~
- ~~Covenants between God and Man~~
- ~~Jesus Christ – True God and True Man~~

November

- ~~The Immaculate Conception~~
- ~~Two types of Grace~~
- ~~The Saints~~
- ~~Purgatory~~

December

- ~~Advent: What is it?~~
- ~~The Eucharistic Prayer~~
- ~~Transubstantiation~~

January

- ~~The Sacraments~~
- ~~The Epiphany and Christmastide~~
- ~~The presentation of the Lord~~
- ~~Jesus' Public Ministry~~

February

- ~~The Church~~
- Membership and Precepts
- Lent: what is it?
- Repentance and Penance

March

- The Sacrament of Confession
- Virtues and Vices
- The 10 Commandments and an examination of conscience
- The Sacred Triduum – Easter and Eastertide

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FEBRUARY 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
		NO MASSES OR OTHER PARISH ACTIVITIES			Candlemas (The Presentation of the Lord)	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Confirmation Session	Bible Study	Formation	0730am Mass			First Holy Communion session
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TUES 7pm WED 10am				
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Confirmation Session	Bible Study	Formation	0730am Mass			First Holy Communion session
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
	Bible Study	Formation	0730am Mass			

Lenten Resolutions to help us grow in our faith:

- Mondays:** Scripture Studies
- Tuesdays:** Adult Formation
- Wednesdays:** Early Morning Mass 0730am
- Fridays:** Parish 'Lenten Fast' Soup

Adoration:

Tues 6pm, Fri 11am, Sat 5pm

Confession:

Tues 6pm, Fri 11am Sat 5pm or 30mins before each Mass.

Stations of the Cross:

Tues 6:30pm and Fri 11:30am

Passiontide: (HOLY WEEK)

- 23rd March Passion / Palm Sunday (VIGIL) 6:00pm
- 24th March Passion / Palm Sunday 10:00am
- 26th March Chrism Mass (CATHEDRAL) 11:00am

TRIDUUM: One liturgy across three days. What we begin on Thursday doesn't end until Saturday Night.....

- 28th March Maundy Thursday 7:30pm
- 29th March GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS 11:00am
- SOLEMN LITURGY 3:00pm
- 30th March EASTER VIGIL 8:30pm
- 31st March EASTER SUNDAY 10:00am

Saturday 10th Feb

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joyful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Adoration: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Confessions: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Holy Mass: 6:00pm June Warren Brooker RIP

Sunday 11th Feb

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Glorious Mysteries

Dedicated to the Resurrection

Holy Mass: 10:00am People in the parish – for the grace of a good Lent

Monday 12th Feb

6th Week in Ordinary Time

Joyful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Holy Souls

Holy Mass: 10:00am **NO MASS TODAY**

Tuesday 13th Feb

ASH WEDNESDAY VIGIL MASS

Sorrowful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Holy Angels

Adoration: 6:00pm – 6:45pm

Confessions: 6:00pm – 6:45pm

Holy Mass: 7:00pm People of the Parish

Adult Formation Session 7:45-8:30pm

Wednesday 14th Feb

ASH WEDNESDAY

Glorious Mysteries

Dedicated to Saint Joseph

Holy Mass: **10:00am** People of the Parish

Friday 16th Feb

Holy Cross 6th Week in Ordinary Time

Sorrowful Mysteries

Dedicated to the

Adoration: 11:00am – 11:45am

Stations of the Cross 11:15am – 11:45am

Confessions: 11:15am – 11:45am

Holy Mass: 12 noon Catholics persecuted for the faith

Saturday 17th Feb

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Joyful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Adoration: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Confessions: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Holy Mass: 6:00pm Private intention