

Roman Catholic Church of Saint Teresa of the Child Jesus

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 234091

NEWSLETTER 21st & 22nd February 2026

1st SUNDAY LENT			
Sat 21 st Feb	6.30pm	Gerry Hughes - RIP	1 st Sunday Lent
Sun 22 nd Feb	9.30am	Edward Kelly - RIP	1 st Sunday Lent
Mon 23 rd Feb		NO MASS	Weekday of Lent
Tues 24 th Feb	9.00am	Eamon McDonald - Int	Weekday of Lent
Wed 25 th Feb	10.00am	Kathleen Moody - RIP	Weekday of Lent
Thurs 26 th Feb	10.00am	Christine Bradshaw - RIP	Weekday of Lent
Fri 27 th Feb	12.00pm	Gill Bacon - RIP Stations of Cross after Mass	Weekday of Lent
Sat 28 th Feb	6.30pm	Roger Beavil - RIP	2 nd Sunday Lent
Sun 1 st March	9.30am	Kathleen Moody - RIP	2 nd Sunday Lent
HOLY DAY MASSES usually at 10:00 am; Baptisms and Marriages by arrangement; Confessions: on Tues – Fri before morning Mass from 9:30 - 9:50am and on request; Coffee & Company on Tuesdays from 10:30am.			
ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Thomas Mead, Albert Carthy, Bernard Morrisroe, Mary Anne Horan, Susan Jane Soane, Rev Francis Dreves, Madeline Hardwick, Gertrude Thompson, Dorothea Gibson, Norah. West, Mary Pinnington, William Dunn, Kathleen McCullagh, Fredrick Chartier, Molly Britain			

ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 28th Feb & 1st March 2026

Mass	Welcomers	Readers
6:30pm	Celia Sparkes	Katie/Trish Heatley
9.30am	Gabriel/Ian Durrant	Margaret Cripps/Susanne Nun

Offertory: Keith/Margaret Drummond **Cleaning:** Jan Guerzoni/Polly Sklenar

Coffee after Sunday Mass Gill O'Kelly/Angela Bailey

Flowers:

Last Weekend's Plate Offering £182.00

ONLINE DONATIONS : <https://donate.mydona.com/st-teresa-princes-risborough>

PLEASE NOTE

Mass on Tuesday 24th will be at the earlier time of 9.00am.

STATIONS OF CROSS

Stations of the cross will follow on from Mass 12.00pm on all the Fridays during Lent

LENT SOUP LUNCHESES:

The CAFOD Group are hosting soup lunches in the Club Room on each Friday of Lent, continuing **this Friday, 27th February.**

The lunches will be at 1.00pm, following Mass and Stations of the Cross, which on the Fridays of Lent will be held at 12 noon. All are most welcome to join us in sharing a simple meal and fellowship.

CAFOD LENT APPEAL-

FAMILY FAST DAY COLLECTION:

This Lent, please donate to our parish Family Fast Day collection. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. Please take a CAFOD envelope as you leave mass this weekend, to bless others with your support, and return it next weekend if possible. You can also donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope. Thank you.

MISSION MEETING

Our next Parish Mission meeting takes place on 3rd March at 7.00pm in the Clubroom. Everyone is welcome. We will be discussing upcoming events and alignment with the Pastoral Area Council. If you have any ideas for the Risborough Festival (1st week in July) and how our parish can be involved, please come along.

THE EMMAUS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Emmaus Bereavement Support Group will meet this Sunday, February 22nd, between 3.00pm and 4.30pm in the Club Room; call Jean for a lift. 07588401608

POPE LEO XIV – MESSAGE FOR LENT 2026

In his Message for Lent 2026, Pope Leo XIV presents Lent as a renewed time of conversion centred on listening and fasting. He calls the Church to deeper attentiveness to the Word of God and to the cry of the poor, reminding us that true listening forms compassionate and discerning hearts.

Fasting, he teaches, orders our desires and must be lived with humility and rooted in the Word, not as mere external discipline. Of particular pastoral relevance is his invitation to fast from words that wound, urging us to “disarm our language” and foster speech that builds communion.

Lent, the Holy Father concludes, is a shared ecclesial journey in which renewed listening and fasting can transform our relationships and communities as we move towards Easter.

JOURNEY WITH JESUS THROUGH LENT

During Lent, the Pastoral Development Vicariate is offering the opportunity for online small-group sessions once a week for 6 weeks, beginning the week commencing 16th February.

During each weekly small-group session, facilitators will use St Beuno's Outreach Prego resources, allowing you to pray and reflect on Scripture for the coming Sunday. Within the session, there will also be time for silent reflection and sharing what spoke to you from Scripture. Sessions will be available on various days and times.

To find out more information and to sign up to our introductory webinar on Tuesday, 27th January, 7:30pm, visit our diocesan website: <https://northamptondiocese.org/lenten-journey/>

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<https://northamptondiocese.org/#signup>