

Jerry Lee and Lent

When I think about Lent, I think about my old cat, Jerry Lee, Jerry Lee lived for 23 years, that is a long life. Through all those years, he brought calm into my life. He didn't rush, he didn't worry, he would sit on my lap, peaceful and still, as if nothing in the world was too big to face. In Lent, we are asked to become still, Jerry Lee was already a master of stillness. He taught me that peace doesn't come from noise or busy work, but from quiet trust. Jerry Lee trusted me completely, he would rest in my arms without fear, he knew he was safe. During Lent, I am reminded that God asks me to trust Him in the same way. Just as Jerry Lee trusted me to care for him, I am called to trust God to care for me.

There were times when I was tired or distracted and didn't give Jerry Lee all the attention he wanted. Yet he never held it against me. The next day he would come again, gentle and loving. He forgave quickly. Lent is a time to ask for forgiveness and to forgive others. Jerry Lee showed me that forgiveness can be simple and pure.

And he was loyal, through good days and hard days, he stayed. He didn't walk away when life was difficult. His quiet loyalty reminds me of God's faithfulness, God stays with us, even when we fail or fall. As I remember Jerry Lee during Lent, I thank God for the lessons he brought into my life: calm in the storm, trust without fear, forgiveness without keeping score, and loyalty that doesn't fade.

Lent is about returning to love. In his own small way, Jerry Lee helped lead me there.



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THIS WEEK

Sat 28 th Feb	Lent Feria	4.00pm
Sun 1 st March	Second Sunday of Lent	9.30am
Mon 2 nd March	Feast of St, Chad, Bishop	10.00am
Wed 4 th March	Lent Feria	10.00am
Fri 6 th March	Lent Feria	10,00am
Sat 7 th March	Lent Feria	4.00pm
Sun 8 th March	Third Sunday of Lent	9.30am

The Bible Time-line
7:00pm
Every Monday Evening
St. Benedict's Community Hall



Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the national and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is

Mrs. Jo Currie who can be contacted at

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For Your Diary
Milestone events in 2026 in our parish

World Day of Prayer Friday 6th March at 2pm.

Family Mother's Day Mass Saturday 14th March at 4pm.

First Holy Communion Saturday 6th June at 10.30am

Confirmation Tuesday 30th June at 6.00pm.

Volunteers Needed – Tea & Coffee Rota after our services.

If you're willing to help, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of church or speak to a member of the Welcome Team.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



If there are any children in year 3 and above who wish to make their First Holy Communion on June 6th and DO NOT attend St. Benedict's School. Parents will you please get in touch on 07502240034 in order that instruction on the sacrament may be arranged.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries fall at this time;

Ellen Looney, Gertie Griffin, Veronica Taylor, Jim Duignan, Diana Pretty, Ilene Bates, Florence Parsons, Muriel Clinton, John Mansfield, Monica Cullen, Catherine Mary Nakielski, Victor George Storer, Patrick Joyce, John Nolan.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord...

Easter Cards are on Sale



**This year the money will go toward the
Chinthowa Feeding Programme**

World Day of Prayer

(Led by the women of all the local churches)

St Benedict's Church on Friday March 6th at 2pm.

Refreshments afterwards.

(provided by the women of St Benedict's Church)

All are welcome.

Family Mass

for Mother's Day

Saturday 14th March

at 4pm

St Benedict's Church

Atherstone

Collections

1st Collection £146.69

2nd Collection £121.28

TOTAL £267.97