

Lent is a Gift!



Lent is a gift! Perhaps we don't always see it that way, but that is how it is given, as a gift. How we receive it is a different issue.

When I was young my parents pushed me through school; well, 'pushed' seems like a too passive word, they shoved me through school often with me screaming and kicking. So I never saw school as a gift, but now I do, an incredible gift.

If only I had seen it as such at the time.

Lent is a gift! You can let guilt shove you through Lent screaming and kicking, or you can accept it as a gift.

Give God a chance to do a bit more leading.

Let yourself do a bit more listening.

Open yourself to the gift that God is offering you.

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Come and join us for a series of talks and Masses that will present Lent in different ways. At this time of 'lockdowns' and changed ways of doing things, we have a chance to see what our experiences of the last year are inviting us to bring to our understanding of Lent and God's call to all of us to be closer to Him.

Details of Our Series of Talks for Lent

*All talks and Masses are at 12noon Mountain Time (11am Pacific time, 7pm England)
Talks followed by questions will last about an hour
(and then some might choose to stay on-line and visit over a cup of tea!)
The Masses will be shorter, perhaps about 30 minutes.*

Week One

Monday 22nd February	Gerard Barry	“The Freedom of Lent” <i>How celebrating Lent in Prison can be a guide to our reflection in Lockdown</i>
Wednesday 24th February	Sarah Kate Adams	“Transforming and Healing the wounded soul”
Thursday 25th February	Mass from Sparwood	

Week Two

Monday 1st March	David John	“A Lenten Walk in the Mountains with Thumper”
Wednesday 3rd March	Mass from Fernie	
Thursday 4th March	Peter Coxe	“Lent, empowering our relationship with God, ourselves and our fellow creatures”

Week Three

Monday 8th March	Mark Nash	“Mending the Nets” <i>Preparing for Mission</i>
Wednesday 10th March	Mass from Fernie	
Thursday 11th March	Peter Montgomery	“Guilt and Shame in a Post modern world”

Week Four

Monday 15th March	Ned Wall	“A radical Jesus in Lent”
Wednesday 17th March	Jonathan Stewart	“Vice or Virtue – the Path to Holiness”
Thursday 18th March	Mass from Sparwood	

Week Five

Monday 22nd March	Anthony Hodges	“The Ecology of Lent – a call to Life”
Wednesday 24th March	Karen Cortes Foong	“The Black Madonna’s Invitation to honour the Other”
Thursday 25th March	Mass from Sparwood	

Zoom Links for Talks and for the Masses

*Please Note: there are two links, one for all the talks
and a different link for all the Masses.
But these two links are valid for the talks and Masses for all five weeks.*

*Please also note that if you are entering via the Meeting ID
you will also have to enter the Passcode,
and then you will enter a waiting room
and someone will let you in as quickly as possible.*

Zoom Link to All the Talks

To get the link to our Lenten talks please send an e-mail to one of our parish offices with your name and you will then receive the link each week.

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Zoom Link to All the Masses

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