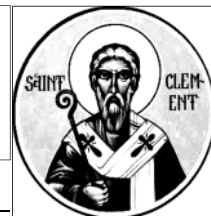


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First Sunday of Lent - Year B - 1st March 2009

Please remember in your prayers all those in our parish community who are sick especially: Jean McLaughlin, Charles McLaughlin, Donna Small, Joe Kingdom, Norman Fyffe, Fr. David Ward, Margaret Reid, Sunil Joseph (Fr. John's nephew), Cathie Cochrane, Gertrude Dignan, Ina Carlin, Aileen Low, Moira Cord, Helen Donachie, Ruby Garvin, Deacon David Forsyth, Bob McCartney, Terry Reynolds, Elizabeth Gibson *Our Lady of Lourdes pray for them.*

Please remember names on the sick list are kept on for two weeks. Please re-enter them in the book if necessary!

Please pray for the peaceful repose of the souls of those who recently entered eternal life: . *May they be raised to new and everlasting life in Christ.*

Please remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Bob McKinnis, Diane Elizabeth Hendry, James Gray, Edward Devlin. *May they rest in peace*

World Day of Prayer: This is an annual ecumenical event celebrated across the globe. This year it takes place on Friday 6 March at 7 p.m., in St. Mary's, Lochee. The service has been prepared by the women of Papua New Guinea and the theme is: *In Christ there are Many Members, yet One Body.*

Parish Quiz Night: For all you brain-boxes out there, a Quiz Night is planned for Tuesday 10 March at 7.30 p.m., in the hall. Entry is open to teams of four, £5 a team. Come along on the night and make up if team if you are not already in one! Wine and nibbles will be provided, but bring your own refreshments!

Parish Council: There will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council, tomorrow, Monday, at 6.30 p.m. In the hall.

SCIAF Boxes: Remember to pick up your SCIAF box today, if you didn't get one last week. Included in your SCIAF pack is lots of information about how you can make the most of Lent.

Sunday Soundbite

It's Lent—and your covenant is “up for renewal.” A covenant is an agreement that binds two parties. In today's first reading from Genesis, we hear of the agreement God makes with Noah, never again to destroy the earth by water. In return, Noah and his family were to populate the earth.

In every Mass, during the eucharistic prayer, we hear Christ's words, “This is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant...” In Christ, the ancient relationship between God and humankind has taken on a human face.

Why do I say Lent is a time to renew your covenant? Well, in centuries past, Lent was observed as a time of penance. With the renewal of the catechumenate—the process of becoming a Christian—the Church now sees Lent as a time of preparation for those to be baptized at Easter, and a time of renewal of Baptism for all the rest of us. The Lenten penances we choose—and they're still appropriate—are signs of “covenant renewal,” our pledge to deepen our commitment of love and service. In Mark's Gospel this Sunday, Jesus calls us to that kind of repentance and renewal. In the Lenten Sunday readings this year, listen for the theme of “covenant.” In these weekly reflections, I'll be pointing out the “covenant connection” from each Sunday's Scriptures.

Father Greg Friedman, O.F.M.

From the Catechism...

41. In what way is God the truth?

God is Truth itself and as such he can neither deceive nor be deceived. He is “light, and in him there is no darkness” (1 John 1:5). The eternal Son of God, the incarnation of wisdom, was sent into the world “to bear witness to the Truth” (John 18:37).

Sunday Mass at 11 a.m.
With Children's Liturgy of the Word

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday to Thursday at 9 a.m.
Friday at 7 p.m.
Saturday at 10 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER
Monday to Thursday at 8.45 a.m.
Saturday at 9.45 a.m.

CONFESSION
Sunday before Mass; on request.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Tuesday after Mass until 10.30 a.m.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS
Offertory: £406.61
Many thanks for your generosity!

Response to the Psalm: Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant

Today there is a special second collection for the Sick & Retired Clergy Fund.

Lenten Devotions: Way of the Cross on Sundays at 5 p.m.; Tuesdays during adoration and Fridays after 7 p.m. Mass.

Lenten Evenings of Reflection: During Lent it is intended to have three evenings of reflection. These will take place on Mondays 2, 16, 30 March at 7.30 p.m., in the hall, the evenings will be led by Moira Leck, Father Rogi and Michael Carrie respectively.

S.V.D.P. Lenten Masses: During Lent, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be having their annual Lenten Masses in the University Chaplaincy, Cross Row at 7 p.m. The Masses take place on Wednesdays 4, 11, 18, 25 March and 1 April. All are invited to join with them.

Annual Lochee Guild Rally: Will be held in Balgay Parish Church, Tullideph Road on Tuesday 3 March at 7.30 p.m. Guest speakers will talk on the subject “Long Distance Loving”. Tickets cost 50p and are available from Aileen Swan.