

## LENT 2024

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 14 February. There will be a Mass at 12 Noon and a Mass with Hymns at 7.00 pm, both with Imposition of Ashes.

Stations of the Cross will take place during Lent on Saturdays at 11.30 am.

Smartie tubes will be distributed at Mass today. Please fill them with coins and bring them back on Easter Day. We will donate 50% of the money raised to St Joseph's Hospice, Hackney. The other 50% of the income will go towards the cost of replacing the church carpet.

Copies of *Walk With Me* are available today, just £1 a copy.

At 7.00 pm each Tuesday in Lent we will have *Live Lent Together*, which is an opportunity to look ahead to the Sunday Gospel and use it as an inspiration for prayer and meditation. Each session will last about an hour.

## DIARY DATES

Sunday 18 February – First Sunday of Lent

11.00 am All Age Parish Mass with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

12.45 pm Bring & Share Fellowship Lunch

Sunday 10 March – Fourth Sunday of Lent & Mothering Sunday

11.00 am All Age Parish Mass with blessing and distribution of flowers.

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## Welcome to SAINT SILAS, PENTONVILLE in the Parish of St Silas with All Saints & St James

### OUR MISSION

Bringing people in. Bringing people on. Witnessing to Jesus Christ.



### SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

**THE ORDER OF SERVICE** is in the Mass book. Hymn numbers are on the right-hand pillar at the front and printed below. The Bible readings are on the separate white sheet.

Toilets and baby changing facilities are in the entrance lobby.



We have a loop system in the church and hall.  
Please switch your hearing aid to T.

**TODAY WE WELCOME SUSIE BLOOR** as our speaker at the Parish Mass. Susie is a volunteer at St Joseph's Hospice, Hackney, our Lent charity for 2024. Susie will talk about the work of the hospice and her experience as a volunteer.

**JUNIOR CHURCH** is on half-term holiday.

**TEA AND COFFEE** will be served after Mass today in the Community Hall. Do join us if you can.

**FAITHLIFT: GROUP PRAYER** takes place after Mass today, at about 12.30 pm. Do join us for thirty minutes of guided prayer, which is mainly silent.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS** will be an All Age Parish Mass, so children will stay in church for the whole of the Mass.

### SPONSORSHIP OF THE ELEMENTS

Today the elements have been sponsored by Patricia Thomason, for Patrick Power recovering from surgery.

### HYMNS AT MASS TODAY

**602** Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven  
**239** Hail Redeemer, King Divine  
**209** God forgave my sin  
**745** To God be the glory

**WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK  
@ ST SILAS CHURCH & COMMUNITY HALL**

**Monday 12 February**

19:00 Overeaters Anonymous

*Pray for King Charles III.*

**Tuesday 13 February**

12:00 Al Anon Family Group

**18:15 Rosary Prayers**

**18:30 Mass**

19:00 Bible Study

*Live Lent Together*

19:00 Alcoholics Anonymous

*Pray for peace in the Holy Land.*

**Wednesday 14 February**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**12:00 Mass with  
Imposition of Ashes**

**19:00 Mass with Hymns and  
Imposition of Ashes**

*Pray for our keeping of a holy Lent.*

**Thursday 15 February**

**12:00 Silent Prayer before the  
Blessed Sacrament**

**12:30 Mass**

19:00 Drop-In @ St Silas

*Pray for St Joseph's Hospice,  
Hackney.*

**Friday 16 February**

*Pray for the lonely.*

**Saturday 17 February**

09:30 Holy Dusters (cleaning)

10:30 Alcoholics Anonymous

**11:30 Stations of the Cross**

**12:00 Requiem Mass for  
Doreen Cox and  
Sidney Bearne RIP**

*Pray for the faithful departed.*

**Sunday 18 February**

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (B)**

**11:00**

**ALL AGE PARISH MASS  
AND BENEDICTION  
followed by tea and coffee**

12:45 Bring & Share Lunch



*Pray for the people of our parish.*

<p align="center"><b>BIBLE READINGS THIS WEEK</b></p>	Monday 12 February	James 1:1-11 / Mark 8:11-13
	Tuesday 13 February	James 1:12-18 / Mark 8:14-21
	Wednesday 14 February <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	Joel 2:12-18 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2 Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
	Thursday 15 February	Deuteronomy 30:15-20 / Luke 9:22-25
	Friday 16 February	Isaiah 58:1-9 / Matthew 9:14-15
	Saturday 17 February	Isaiah 58:9-14 / Luke 5:27-32

**MUSIC AT MASS**

Do you remember from last week's news sheet, the young J S Bach walked 250 miles to study with Buxtehude? Well, Buxtehude's "highly-treasured friend" Werckmeister had worked out an improved way of tuning musical instruments called "well tempered" and one of the most famous works J S Bach went on to write was *The Well Tempered Keyboard*. You will hear pieces from that collection today, 10.45-10.55 am, and after Mass. **Martin**

**BRING & SHARE LUNCH**

Our next Bring & Share Fellowship Lunch will take place next Sunday after Mass, at about 12.45 pm. Do join us if you can. Sign the list at the back of church to indicate what you will bring. Fr Rayner will provide drinks and dessert.

**CONFIRMATION 2024**

Bishop Jonathan will be with us on Sunday 9 June to celebrate the 11.00 am Festival Mass and confirm candidates who have been prepared. If you would be interested in being confirmed, please speak with Fr Rayner so that he can make plans for the preparation classes.

**PRAYER FOR ASH WEDNESDAY**

God of goodness and mercy,  
hear my prayer as I begin this Lenten journey with you.  
Let me be honest with myself as I look into my heart and soul,  
noticing the times I turn away from you.  
Guide me as I humbly seek to repent and return to your love.  
May humility guide my efforts to be reconciled with you  
and live forever in your abundant grace.  
Transform me this Lent, heavenly Father.  
Give me the strength to commit myself to grow closer to you each day.  
Amen.