

THE SEASON OF LENT in the 3 CHURCHES

Lenten opportunities to help us prepare for Easter this year

All services take place in St Brigid's and are live-streamed via the 3 Churches website - www.3churches.org or directly at <https://g0.ipcamlive.com/player/player.php?alias=5f1869f461c9f>

Mass

Sundays 10.30am Weekdays [Monday - Friday] 9.30am

Please check the Newsletter in case of any changes

Ash Wednesday Mass [17 February]

This year you are invited to prepare your own ashes either by burning last year's palms or by using earth from your garden. Your ashes will be virtually blessed during Mass ready for you to put on each other, or on yourself.

Reconciliation

Confessions are by arrangement with one of the priests.

The Penitential Rite will be emphasised at each Sunday Mass during Lent culminating in communal Absolution on the 4th Sunday of Lent, 14 March.

Stations of the Cross

This year, when so many have joined Jesus in his struggles, we will follow the Stations of the Cross every Saturday at 9.30am commencing Saturday 20 February. The Stations will be live-streamed from St Brigid's and take the place of Saturday morning Mass. We will pause at two or three Stations each week in a reflective way and bring the Stations alive by listening to one another's story.

Sunday Evening Service via Zoom

During Lent our Sunday evening service via Zoom will include interactive worship on various themes. Everyone is welcome to join us at 6pm for this 40 minute service which always includes the joy of being able to sing together, accompanied by Simon on the keyboard. The Zoom code is 9851280988 and the password is Church.

Lenten Scripture Groups via Zoom

This year our Lenten Scripture Groups will, of necessity, take place via Zoom. We will be using last year's course - 'Hearts on Fire' - which we had to abandon because of the pandemic. The material is a Churches Together publication for Lent 2020, available to view and download at ctbi.org.uk. If you would like to join a group please get in touch with Tania Walsh (phone 029 2061 1494 email tania.walsh@rocketmail.com) or Elizabeth Taylor (tayleat@gmail.com) by Monday 22 February. If anyone needs a copy of the material and is unable to print it, copies can be provided.

Children's Liturgy

Children's resources for Lent are provided by many agencies e.g.

Mission Together - www.missiontogether.org.uk

Cafod - www.cafod.org.uk

Redemptorist - www.rpbbooks.co.uk

Wednesday Word (emailed each week with the 3 Churches Newsletter)