



St. Bartholomew's Church, Armley

Sunday, 28th February

2nd Sunday in Lent

Parish Mass, via zoom

Celebrant: Fr. Michael

We pray for the Sick and the Suffering:

Emily Mosley, Jean Pratt, Claire Chappell, Christine Burton, Fr. David Hopkinson, Marion Sarchfield, Paul Wigglesworth, David Reynolds, Constance Waine, Joe Dawes, Dawn Newsome.

Recently Departed: David Jessop, Sheila Blair.

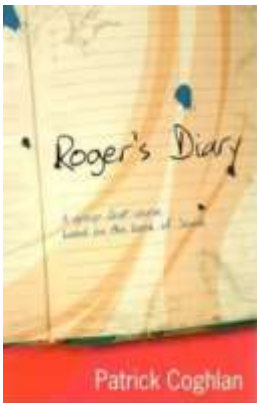
Years Mind: Brian Richmond 1992, Charles Hanchard 1992, Colin Maw 2020, Laura Riddlesdon 2009, Russell Abbott 2017.

Sunday, 7th March: 10.00am, PARISH MASS via Zoom only.

Sunday, 14th March, Mothering Sunday: 10.00am. PARISH MASS in church, and on Zoom

Thursdays: 10:30am, SOCIAL COFFEE MORNING via Zoom.

Please let Fr. Michael know if you would like the link to join us on Zoom, for Mass, and/or Coffee Mornings, phone 0113 2797766, email frmwstbart@gmail.com



It isn't too late to join our Lent Study Group

A look at the book of Jonah in six parts to be held online via Zoom

Monday evenings, 1st March at 7:30pm for one hour.

Themes looked at are: Hard Times; Crying to God; A fresh start; Loved and Valued.

Each week is based around a scene from a fictitious "Parish Bible Study".

Course books will be available for £7.99, but the cost of the book must not put anyone off joining in.

Email Fr Michael – frmwstbart@gmail.com to receive your course booklet and the link to the meeting.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent we have usually walked the Stations of the Cross each week. This year you will find a streamed version on the parish website and Facebook page using our own stations in church and with me leading the reflections. Please use them as part of your journey through this holy time.

If you haven't already, do join our One Lottery for St. Bartholomew's Funds

<https://www.onelottery.co.uk/support/st-bartholomews-church>

No computer? Contact Jon, tel: 0113 2636745, or Thelma, tel: 07808443354 or Fr. Michael, tel: 0113 2797766

Winner 20th February: Eileen

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.*

Or

*Remember your compassion, O Lord,
and your merciful love, for they are from of old.
Let not our enemies exult over us.
Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.*

COLLECT

O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

A reading from the book of Genesis.

God put Abraham to the test. "Abraham, Abraham" he called. "Here I am" he replied. "Take your son," God said "your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you."

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood. Then he stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. "Abraham, Abraham" he said. "I am here" he replied. "Do not raise your hand against the boy" the angel said. "Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son." Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. "I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 115

RESPONSE: *I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.*

1. I trusted, even when I said:
"I am sorely afflicted."
O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful. **R.**
2. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name. **R.**

3. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem. **R.**

SECOND READING Romans 8:31-34

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
"This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him!"
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!*

GOSPEL Mark 9:2-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. "Rabbi", he said "it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him." Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what "rising from the dead" could mean.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray,
cleanse us of our faults
and sanctify your faithful in body and mind
for the celebration of the paschal festivities.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we receive these glorious mysteries,
we make thanksgiving to you, O Lord,
for allowing us while still on earth
to be partakers even now of the things of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

