

# St Stephen's Newsletter Archdiocese of Liverpool Registered Charity No. 1199714

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C) 9TH MARCH 2025

Saturday 8 March	5.00pm Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Rose Corry (1st Anniv) / Parishioners
Sunday 9 March	10.45am Mass: Val Lomas  After Mass: Coffee/Tea/Refreshments
Tues 11 Mar	9am Mass: Theresa O'Connor
Wed 12 Mar	10am Mass: Moira Wilson
	Followed by Coffee/Tea/Toast
Thu 13 Mar	9am Mass: Thanksgiving to Parishioners (E)
Fri 14 Mar	5.30pm Stations of the Cross
	6pm Mass: Fr Gerard Dakin & the LISC

### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (C) **16TH MARCH 2025**

Saturday 15 March	5.00pm Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Bill & Mary Burland
Sunday 16 March	10.45am Mass: Elizabeth Mulholland / Parishioners  After Mass: Coffee/Tea/Refreshments

From Fr John's desk...

Lenten Day Retreat: The Ladies Guild have opened up their day Retreat to any parishioner (men or women) who would like to join them on the day. The Retreat will take place at Hyning Hall Monastery just outside Carnforth. The coach will leave St Stephen's Church at 9am on Saturday 29 March - the cost for the day is £35 - you will also need to bring a packed lunch. If you would like a place on the Retreat please sign the list in the church foyer.

**Rhys Jones:** The Vocations Director asked me if we would be willing to host our seminarian Rhys Jones for a pastoral assignment in Holy Week. If you recall Rhys was with us last summer for his pastoral placement. I was delighted to say that Rhys would be very welcome for Holy Week - an extra pair of hands is always very welcome!

Lent: 'What every Christian should always be doing must now be performed more earnestly and more devoutly. These forty days...should be given over to fasting which means not simply a reduction in our food, but the elimination of our evil habits. To these...we should link almsgiving which covers a multitude of praiseworthy charitable deeds.

Pope St Leo the Great (440-461)



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#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK Please remember in prayer:

Anne Bland, Cecilia Taylor, Shirley Byrne, Vin Mulholland, Laura & Barrie Cooper, Howard Buxton.

**LADIES GUILD** 18th March 2025 7.30pm



#### St Stephen's - De Paul Room

A warm welcome to the ladies of St Bridget's and St Stephen's and neighbouring parishes.

St Stephen's Church For arch at 7.30pm Levery 2nd Saturday

of the month!) Pray Through Singing

Monday 10th March 2025 at 7pm St Stephen's Church



De Paul Room

#### St Oliver's Tote

**Nest Of Hope 2025** 

A Special Collection will be taken later in the Year

PARISH BONUS BALL 6th March 2025



No Winner This Week