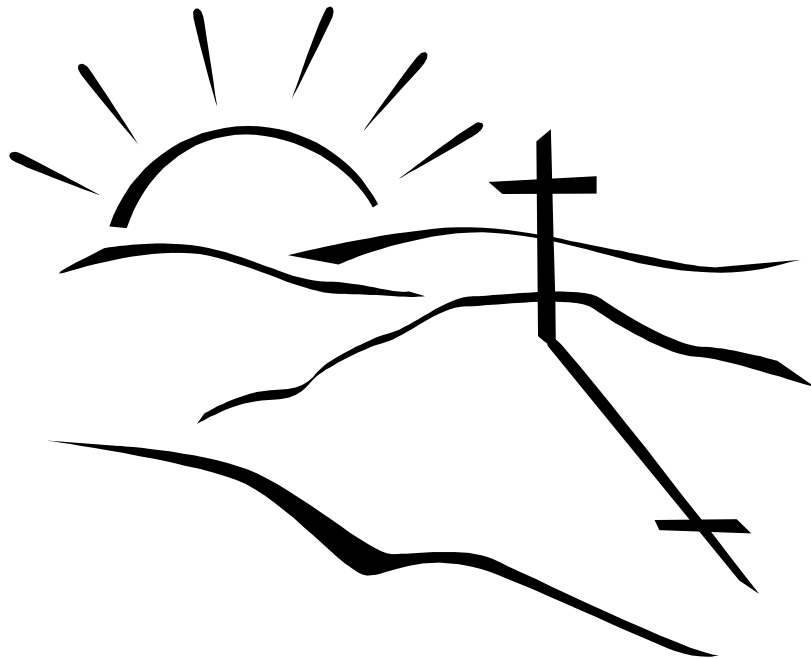


Catholic Parish of Our Lady and All Saints

St Basil the Great – Most Holy Trinity – St Therese of Lisieux



# **Wonderful opportunities for prayer and deepening faith during Lent 2017**

“Jesus prayed, saying ‘Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me. Nevertheless, let your will be done, not mine.’ Then an angel appeared to him, coming from heaven to give him strength.

In his anguish he prayed even more earnestly, and his sweat fell to the ground like great drops of blood.

When he rose from prayer he went to the disciples and found them sleeping for sheer grief. He said to them, ‘Why are you asleep? Get up and pray not to be put to the test.’” (Luke 22:42-46)

## Weekly during Lent\*

<b>Monday</b>	St Basil	9.10am	Morning Prayer
		9.30am	Mass
		10.00am	Rosary
	St Therese	8.00 – 9.00pm	Compline
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>(7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March)</i>	St Basil	9.10am	Morning Prayer
		9.30am	Mass
		10.00am	Stations of the Cross with children
	Holy Trinity	6.45pm	Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	Holy Trinity	9.10am	Morning Prayer
		9.30am	Mass
	St Therese	6.30pm	Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	Holy Trinity	9.10am	Morning Prayer
		9.30am	Mass
	St Basil	6.30pm	Mass
<b>Friday</b>	Holy Trinity	7.00am	Mass, then coffee & croissants “to go”
	St Basil	9.30am	Stations of the Cross
	St Therese	8.50am	Rosary
		8.50 – 9.10am	Reconciliation
		9.10am	Morning Prayer
		9.30am	Mass
		10.00am	Stations of the Cross
	Holy Trinity	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday</b>	Holy Trinity	9.15 – 9.45am	Reconciliation (not 18 <sup>th</sup> March)
		10.00am	Mass (not 18 <sup>th</sup> March)
	St Basil	4.15 – 4.40pm	Reconciliation

*\*Weekday Mass times may vary due to Funeral Masses and celebrations of major Feast Days – do check the newsletter.*

## Special Opportunities during Lent 2017

**Cafod Fast Day, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March.** As ever, we are invited to miss a meal, or give up a treat, and give the money to Cafod, to support vital aid across the world. More information at Masses on 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> March.

**Wednesday evening Bible Study group, Holy Trinity, 7.30 – 8.30pm** (Starting on 8<sup>th</sup> March). Led by Aisling Gallagher, and open to all, this will give an opportunity to reflect on passages of the Bible that illuminate Lent. Please bring a Bible with you, and do feel free to turn up on any Tuesday. If you would like to know more, email [aishxo@gmail.com](mailto:aishxo@gmail.com).

**Monday night Compline, St Therese, 8.00-9.00pm** A candlelit service of music, prayer and reflections for Lent. Peace and candlelight. More details from Eileen Prizeman (07718 530421).

**Saturday night Lenten Films.** Each film will begin at 7pm, in the comfy “Parish Lounge” at St Basil’s. The films chosen tell powerful stories that speak deeply into the Gospel themes during Lent. These films are **rated 15**; please do not bring young children. There will be tea, coffee and biscuits, and a chance to chat at the end of each film.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March, “Romero”** 2017 is the centenary year of the birth of Blessed Oscar Romero. This film is the story of his life – it is an exceptional witness of faith.

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March, “I, Daniel Blake”** An award-winning British film from 2016, with a searing portrayal of life on the edge of the benefits system.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April, “Amazing Grace”** The cast includes Benedict Cumberbatch and Michael Gambon; this is the story of the ending of slavery in the USA, with powerful resonance for issues in our time.

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April, “The Shawshank Redemption”** A timeless classic starring Morgan Freeman; the triumph of hope over fear.

**Stations of the Cross** – **Friday mornings, 9.30am at St Basil’s and 10.00am at St Therese, and Friday evenings, 7.00pm at Holy Trinity.** If it has been a while (or never!) since you have prayed this most ancient of Lenten devotions, this is a very good opportunity to do so. For four **Tuesdays** in Lent there will also be a **Stations of the Cross for children/families** at St Basil’s at 10.00am – all are welcome.

**Mass with Anointing (“Healing Mass”) and Lunch, Holy Trinity, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 12.30pm.** Within a special Mass, we celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, a Sacrament of grace and mercy. All are welcome, with transport for those who could not otherwise attend. Details of how to offer or give a lift will be in the newsletter. Mass will be followed by buffet lunch; a wonderful chance to meet old friends and make new friends.

**Communal Reconciliation Services** will include **individual absolution**, and will take place on **29<sup>th</sup> March at 2.00pm at St Basil’s, on 29<sup>th</sup> March, 7.00pm, St Therese** (replacing evening Mass), and **11<sup>th</sup> April, 7.00pm, Holy Trinity** (replacing evening Mass). They will follow the format we have used in recent years, and as ever there will be the opportunity for individual celebration of the Sacrament after each service, for those who wish.

**And finally ... the Lenten Commuters’ (and school students!) Mass and Breakfast is back. 7.00am** Mass at Holy Trinity on Fridays in Lent (starting Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March), followed by “grab’n’go” croissants and coffee for you to take into the day. It is wonderful to celebrate Mass as the sun rises. Come and see ...!

## Ash Wednesday and Holy Week

### Ash Wednesday (1<sup>st</sup> March) Mass Times:

9.30am	St Basil	Mass with distribution of ashes (with St Teresa's Year 3-6)
9.30am	Holy Trinity	Mass with distribution of ashes (with St Anne Line Juniors)
6.00pm	St Therese	Mass with distribution of ashes
6.00pm	St Basil	Mass with distribution of ashes
7.30pm	Holy Trinity	Mass with distribution of ashes

### Holy Week and Easter

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Mass	St Basil's
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Mass	St Basil's
	7.00pm	Reconciliation Service	Holy Trinity
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Mass	Holy Trinity
	7.00pm	Diocesan Chrism Mass	Cathedral

<b>Holy Thursday</b> (13 <sup>th</sup> April)	8.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	St Basil's
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<b>Good Friday</b> (14 <sup>th</sup> April)	10.00am	Walk of Witness starting at Holy Trinity	
	3.00pm	Passion of Our Lord	St Therese
	3.00pm	Passion of Our Lord	St Basil's
	7.00pm	Passion of Our Lord	Holy Trinity

<b>Holy Saturday</b>	8.00pm – 10.30pm	The Easter Vigil	St Basil's
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<b>Easter Sunday</b> (16 <sup>th</sup> April)	8.00am	Easter Sunday Mass	Holy Trinity
	9.00am	Easter Sunday Mass	St Therese
	<b>9.30am</b>	Easter Sunday Family Mass	Holy Trinity
	<b>11.15am</b>	Easter Sunday Family Mass	Holy Trinity
	12noon	Easter Sunday Family Mass	St Basil's

*NB There is no 6.00pm Mass on Easter Sunday.*

### Further special prayer needs for Lent 2017

On **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March** please pray for our **First Holy Communion children** as they celebrate Reconciliation for the very first time.

On **Friday – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> April** please pray for our young Confirmation Group and youth leaders from the parish who will be **sleeping outside from midnight to 7.00am** to raise money for the homeless (**Project 58:7**) and for **youth projects in the parish**.

**At the Easter Vigil** we will welcome eight adults into the Catholic Church, with great joy. Please pray for them, and for their families, as they prepare for this wonderful moment.