



# Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace and Blessed Margaret Pole

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Second Sunday of Lent

1st March 2026

## His face shone like the sun

### Mass Times

<b>Sat 28th</b>	<b>Lent Weekday</b>	12.00 Percious Daniel De la Cruz+
<b>Sun 1st</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b>	9.30 Gottelier Family
		11.00 People of the Parish
<b>Mon 2nd</b>	<b>Lent Weekday</b>	10.00 Rosaleen 'Roz' Rogers+
<b>Tue 3rd</b>	<b>Lent Weekday</b>	10.00 Amy Margaret Mann
<b>Wed 4th</b>	<b>Lent Weekday</b>	10.00 Thanksgiving for Blessings (Davies)
<b>Thu 5th</b>	<b>Lent Weekday</b>	No Mass
<b>Fri 6th</b>	<b>Lent Weekday</b>	10.00 Barbara & John Arthur (Golden Wedding)
		18.00 Stations of the Cross
<b>Sat 7th</b>	<b>Lent Weekday</b>	12.00 Mary & Francis Cunningham+
<b>Sun 8th</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>	9.30 Celia Beal
		11.00 People of the Parish

Tea & Coffee in the Parish Hall .....after Sunday masses  
 Children's Liturgy (Sign in required)..... Sunday 9.30  
 Holy Hour .....after Wednesday morning mass  
 Confessions.....during Holy Hour Wednesday & at call  
 Choir Practice..... 18.00 Monday in Church  
 Sunday Readings:..... Year A  
 Weekday Readings: ..... Year 2  
 Baptisms.....Contact the Deacon  
 Marriages: .....Contact the Parish Priest  
 Mother's Prayer Group..... 2nd & 4th Fridays 10.30  
 Rosary Group....Fridays 10.30 when no Mother's Prayers  
 Friendship Club ..... 14.00 Fridays  
 Safeguarding & Data Protection Officer  
 ..... Mary Basing 07969 120264

### Cycle of Prayer: Lent

Candidates for the Sacraments, The Needy and Hungry of the World, Women's World Day of Prayer, Survivors of Sexual Abuse, Penitents and Wanderers



Transfiguration of Christ by Giovanni Bellini 1487

### The Transfiguration

On this Sunday, the Church lifts our eyes from the desert to the mountaintop. Jesus, radiant in divine light, stands with Moses (representing the Law) and Elijah (representing the Prophets), fulfilling the Scriptures. The apostles fall in fear and wonder, but the Father's voice calls them—and us—to 'listen to him.' This moment of glory strengthens us for the coming Passion: it reveals that sacrifice leads to resurrection, suffering to joy, and death to life everlasting.

Lent is not merely about giving things up but about being transformed by God's grace. Like Abram, we are called to step out in faith; like the apostles, we glimpse Christ's splendour to sustain us through trials. As we pray, fast, and give alms, may we heed the Father's command to listen to Jesus, allowing His light to transfigure our hearts and prepare us for Easter joy.

### Prayer Suggestion:

Heavenly Father, who revealed Your beloved Son in glory on the mountain, grant us the grace to listen to Him amid the busyness and struggles of life. Transfigure our hearts through this Lenten season, that we may follow Christ faithfully to the Cross and rise with Him in new life. Amen.



### First Communion

We recently had a meeting for parents and children who wish to make their First Communion in 2026. Classes commence next Sunday 8th March after the 9.30 mass.

The other dates for classes are: 22nd March, 19th & 26th April, 10th & 17th May. The rehearsal will be on Friday 5th June with the First Confession on 9th May and the First Communion itself on Saturday 6th June at 12.00. For information contact Angie on fhcteam.olqp@gmail.com. Note date corrections.

**The two best times  
to keep your mouth shut  
are when you're swimming  
and when you're angry**

### Cafod's Big Lent Walk

Are you ready for a challenge this Lent? Walk anytime, anywhere 200 Kms in 40 days and raise funds for life-saving water. Step up this Lent to help our neighbours. Go to [cafod.org.uk/biglentwalk](http://cafod.org.uk/biglentwalk) and sign up today or contact Jackie on 07948516854 or more information.

### Confirmation

There will be no Confirmations this year. Next year Confirmation will be at Corpus Christi Church in Boscombe, and the classes will be notified well in advance.

### Lent Penitential Service

There will be a Penitential Service for Lent at Corpus Christi Church on Friday 27th March at 19.00.

**The diminutive chains of habit  
are seldom heavy enough to be felt,  
till they are too strong to be broken**

Samuel Johnson

### Funerals

The funeral of **Anthony Min-Ho Ng** will take place on Monday 9th March at 10.30 followed by burial in Bournemouth North Cemetery. Please note no 10.00 mass that day.

The funeral of **Veronica Bevan** will take place on Friday 13th March at 12.30 in Bournemouth Crematorium West Chapel. Mass is at 10.00 as usual.

The funeral of **Anita Goddard** will take place late in March when the date is arranged.

### A Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits

who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



### Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be at 18.00 on the Fridays of Lent. Booklets are available so you can make the Stations of the Cross at any time.

*We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you,  
because by your Holy Cross,  
you have redeemed the world.*

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from Monday 6th July until Friday 10th July departing from Heathrow Airport. The group will be staying at Hotel La Solitude close to the sanctuary. If you would like more information and a booking form, please email [lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

### CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection this Sunday. You can donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10. CAFOD envelopes available in Church for the retiring collection.

**Only Robinson Crusoe  
had everything done by Friday**

### CAFOD

Thank you for your prayers and continuing support for CAFOD through your donations (refreshments on Sunday mornings, Taizé), the weekly envelope collection for our current project and our two Family Fast Days. Thank you also for all your online donations and direct debits (amount unknown). We started our new project 'Hands on Madhupur' in Bangladesh in January 2024 and so far raised £3,838.26 towards it. This will help CAFOD's experts on the groundwork alongside families as they fight for their land and stand up against justice. Many thanks also for your generous response to our two Family Fast Days where £1,993.20 was raised through the envelope collection alone. Finally, thank you to the CWL who organised a cream tea which raised £410.33. Thanks to your generosity we raised a total of £4,175.48 in 2025 but your prayers and financial support are needed more than ever to continue protecting and helping the lives of those in poor communities as, without you, the work that CAFOD does around the world would not be possible.

### Recent Collections

Standing Orders £463, Sunday £192 with thanks.

### Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

**Readers:** 9.30 J Carr-Jones, R Hernandez 11.00 A Alagbaoso, M-A Jean-Francoise **Ministers:** 9.30 M Smith 11.00 L Hanson **n/w Readers:** 9.30 E Taylor, S Crump 11.00 T Hook, H Gardiner **n/w Ministers:** 9.30 S Smith 11.00 N Jean-Francoise

### Forthcoming Dates

Penitential Service (Corpus Christi)..... 27th March  
Easter Sunday..... 5th April