



# LENT



**Parish of Woolhampton**

**2024**

*Douai Abbey, Woolhampton RG7 5TQ*  
*St Bernadette's, Pangbourne RG8 7JL St Luke's, Theale RG7 5AS*

# **LENTEN REFLECTION**

## ***PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION***

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February at St Bernadette's Church 10:00am - 4:00pm

An opportunity to gather for reflection and prayer as together we prepare for the celebration of Easter, led by Abbot Paul Gunter. 10:00am Mass followed by coffee, then a presentation on the theme of 'Human Penitence versus God's Perfection'. There will be a simple lunch followed by a further presentation, concluding with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

If you can only make part of the day, please do come along and join in when you can.

There is no fee charged, however a rsup of attendance is appreciated so we may cater for everyone. Please contact the Parish Office on 0118 971 5350 or email [woolhampton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:woolhampton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

## ***PASTORAL AREA LENT RETREAT***

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hungerford 10:00am - 4:00pm

Join together with fellow parishioners from across our pastoral area for this Lenten Retreat. Led by Fr Thomas Kleinschmidt, OMV and concluding with Mass at 4:00pm. All will be most welcome and please bring a packed lunch.

## ***RETREAT - PACKING FOR THE WILDERNESS***

Residential Retreat at Douai Abbey Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March

Are you seeking God, perhaps yearning to follow Christ's way more faithfully and to have a greater sense of God's all-embracing presence, and of his love for you?

We want to reflect on our possible pathway through the frequent wilderness of our life, using Scripture images and texts. In this present time of appalling instability, all about us and within, we shall seek to explore our real and actual challenges to live as 'beloved disciples' of Christ, who died and then rose for us. Led by Fr Peter Bowe, a monk of Douai Abbey.

Cost £200 (shared room £160pp) payable during your stay please. Discounts considered. Enquiries: [www.douaiabbey.org.uk/bookings](http://www.douaiabbey.org.uk/bookings).

## ***REFLECTION DAY - FRIENDS FOR THE JOURNEY***

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at Douai Abbey 10:30am - 4:00pm

As we approach Holy Week, we reflect on those who supported Jesus on his journey - people who were called to be a friend for a particular moment. Through scripture, reflections and music we think about what they can teach us, and how we might respond. Led by Barbara Priest, an Anglican lay minister and oblate of Douai Abbey who specialises in contemplative ministry.

Contribution £25 (includes lunch) or £15 (bring own lunch). Payment made on the day. To book please visit: [www.douaiabbey.org.uk/bookings](http://www.douaiabbey.org.uk/bookings)

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER RETREAT

Residential Retreat at Douai Abbey Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March

This Retreat aims to help us enter more deeply into the Paschal Mystery and to see the sufferings and joys of our own lives in its light. We will reflect together on a range of texts, images and music drawn from and inspired by the Holy Week liturgy and the events it commemorates. Times of prayer, of listening and of sharing will enable all to make this retreat in a personal way.

Led by Sr Ann Catherine Swailes, OP, Assistant Chaplain at Fisher House, and lecturer at Blackfriars, Oxford.

Cost £275 (shared room £220pp) payable during your stay please. Discounts considered. Enquiries: [www.douaiabbey.org.uk/bookings](http://www.douaiabbey.org.uk/bookings)

## LENTEN PROGRAMME

### Ash Wednesday, 14 February

7:45am	Mass	Douai Abbey
10:00am	Mass	St Luke's
7:00pm	Mass	St Bernadette's

### Friday 16 February

6:30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Luke's
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### Friday 23 February

6:30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Luke's
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### Saturday 24 February

10am-4pm	Parish Day of Recollection <i>including Lunch</i>	St Bernadette's
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### Friday 1 March

12:00pm	Stations of The Cross, <i>followed by Lent Lunch</i>	St Bernadette's
6:30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Luke's

### Friday 8 March

12:00pm	Stations of The Cross, <i>followed by Lent Lunch</i>	St Bernadette's
6:30pm	Stations of The Cross	St Luke's

### Friday 15 March

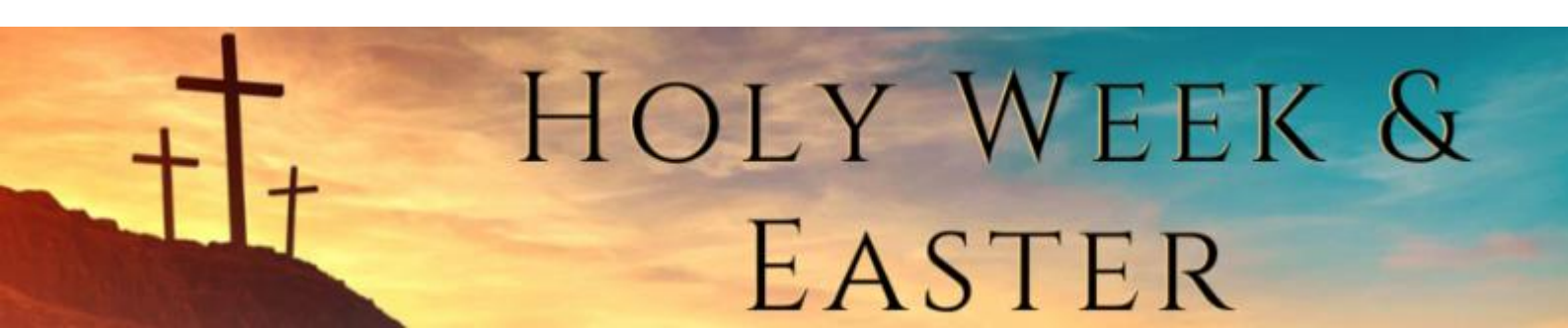
6:30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Luke's
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### Wednesday 20 March

7:30pm	Reconciliation Service <i>(individual Confessions available)</i>	St Joseph's, Newbury
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### Friday 22 March

12:00pm	Stations of The Cross, <i>followed by Lent Lunch</i>	St Bernadette's
6:30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Luke's



# HOLY WEEK & EASTER

## **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, 24 MARCH**

Vigil Mass at 5:30pm on Saturday 23 March

9:45am Mass

10:30am Mass

St Luke's  
St Bernadette's  
Abbey Church

## **MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK, 25 MARCH**

7:45am Mass

Abbey Church

## **TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, 26 MARCH**

7:45am Mass

11:00am Chrism Mass

Abbey Church  
Cathedral,  
Portsmouth

## **SPY WEDNESDAY, 27 MARCH**

7:45am Mass

Abbey Church

## **HOLY THURSDAY, 28 MARCH**

8:00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose until 11:45pm

Abbey Church

## **GOOD FRIDAY, 29 MARCH**

10:00am Children's Way of The Cross

3:00pm Celebration of The Lord's Passion

3:00pm Stations of The Cross

3:00pm Celebration of The Lord's Passion

St Bernadette's  
St Luke's  
St Bernadette's  
Abbey Church

## **HOLY SATURDAY, 30 MARCH**

8:30pm The Easter Vigil

Abbey Church

## **EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, 31 MARCH**

9:45am Mass

10:30am Mass

St Bernadette's  
Abbey Church

