

The Parishes of Our Lady of Victories Cinderford,  
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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2008

This Sunday's Masses    Next Sunday Masses:    Weekday Masses:

Coleford - <b>No Mass</b>	Coleford - Sat 6.00pm	Tuesday 9.00 Coleford
Cinderford 9.00am	Cinderford 9.00am	Wednesday 9.30 Cinderford
Lydney 11.00am	Lydney - <b>No Mass</b>	Thursday No Mass
Sedbury - 5.30pm	Sedbury 5.30pm	Friday 9.00am Sedbury

NB No Sunday Mass at Lydney 16<sup>th</sup> March

**Stations of the Cross**

Wednesday Coleford 7.30pm / Cinderford 7.00pm

**Tuesday 11 March** at 7.30pm there will be a meeting to discuss the Parish response to the draft on **Seeking The Face Of Christ**; at St Joseph's Lydney and all are welcome. If anyone would like a copy of the draft see Fr. Barnabas.

Responsorial Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.  
Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, O Christ!  
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die.  
Glory and praise .....

Communion Antiphon: He who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, said the Lord.

**First Holy Communion** Are there any children 7 or over due to make their First Holy Communion this summer? If so please see Fr Barnabas

**LENTEN SUPPER**

Thank you to all who attended and supported the Lenten Supper last Saturday evening. A total of £145.00 was raised and will be added to the CAFOD Collection making a grand total of £359.00. Once again thank you, every one seemed to enjoy the soup and rolls.

**MOTHER TERESA GROUP**

Would all members of the Mother Teresa Group please make a note in their diaries that the next meeting will be at 2 p.m. on the 19<sup>th</sup> March and we will be cleaning the church on the morning of the 20<sup>th</sup> March in preparation for Easter.

**Praying the Sunday Gospels in Lent**  
**Last Meeting this Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

**Please come and join us**

The sessions will be lead by Fr. Barnabas Page and Revd Geoffrey Burn, from St John's C/E Cinderford. Meeting on Monday evening from 7.30pm - 9.00pm, including time for coffee and a chat, but people can go home straight after the prayer if they wish.

The venue for these evenings is the school hall next to the church in Cinderford. You can park in the school playground.

**Cinderford Second Collection**

**This week** There will be a collection in Cinderford for flowers for the altar for Easter.

**SUNDAY 30TH MARCH - FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY:**

**SERVICE AT ENGLISH MARTYRS, TUFFLEY - AT 2.30 p.m.**

The service will include a short talk about the Feast, Blessing of Divine Mercy Image, Exposition, Chaplet, Stations - ending with Benediction and a short Mass (Confession will be available during the first part of the Service but people are encouraged to go to confession the day before). On this special day all sins and punishment can be wiped from our souls by; reciting the Novena of Chaplets (for 9 days) starting on Good Friday and finishing on the day before the Feast; going to CONFESSION on the Feast day, or within 8 days before; receiving HOLY COMMUNION on the Feast Day (after having been to confession) in a spirit of trust; attending the Special Service at English Martyrs to venerate the Blessed Image and recite the Chaplet; and carry out an act of mercy by way of a deed, word or prayer for someone. Jesus told St. Faustina that he desired the Chaplet (see Poster) to be said from GOOD FRIDAY through to the Feast Day, 30th March, when it would be particularly powerful said at this time.

**Lenten Penitential Service. Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm Cinderford.**

There will be three priests available to hear confessions,

NB. If you have any items for the Newsletter please could you phone or e-mail Teresa Hoult on 01594 861081, [tmhoult@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:tmhoult@tiscali.co.uk) by early Thursday.