









ST PATRICK'S PARISH
MORTLAKE

PREPARING FOR EASTER AT ST PATRICKS, MORTLAKE

Lent

A special period of 40 days (excluding Sundays) starting on Ash Wednesday to prepare for Easter by remembering Jesus' time in the wilderness, His death and His resurrection. We prepare by praying, going to Mass, fasting (giving up something eg; a favourite food) and giving to others (eg; through charity).



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb 11 Pancakes on the Parish Green - 9.45am Masses 9am, 10.30am, 6pm	Feb 12 Communion Service 8am	Feb 13 Shrove Tuesday Mass 8am 	Feb 14 Ash Wednesday  Mass & Distribution of Ashes - 8am and 7pm.	Feb 15 Mass 8am Family Adoration & Prayer 8.25-8.50am	Feb 16  Mass 8am Stations of the Cross in Church 8.25-8.50am <i>Choose a family Lenten offering to do together eg; Giving up desserts.</i>	Feb 17 Reconciliation 5.30-6pm Mass 6pm
Feb 18 1st Sunday of Lent Masses 9am, 10.30am, 6pm	Feb 19 Communion Service 8am	Feb 20 Mass 8am	Feb 21 Mass 8am	Feb 22 Mass 8am Family Adoration & Prayer 8.25-8.50am	Feb 23  Mass 8am Stations of the Cross in Church 8.25-8.50am <i>Have a fish and chips picnic.</i>	Feb 24 Parish 'Spring Clean' Reconciliation 5.30-6pm Mass 6pm
Feb 25 2nd Sunday of Lent Masses 9am, 10.30am, 6pm	Feb 26 Communion Service 8am	Feb 27 Mass 8am <i>Invite a friend you don't normally play with to play with you.</i>	Feb 28 Mass 8am	Feb 29 Mass 8am Family Adoration & Prayer 8.25-8.50am	Mar 01  Mass 8am Stations of the Cross in Church 8.25-8.50am <i>Help your mum or dad prepare a vegetarian meal.</i>	Mar 02 Reconciliation 5.30-6pm Mass 6pm
Mar 03 3rd Sunday of Lent Masses 9am, 10.30am, 6pm	Mar 04 Communion Service 8am <i>Do a chore without being asked eg; cleaning your room.</i>	Mar 05 Mass 8am	Mar 06 Mass 8am	Mar 07 Mass 8am Family Adoration & Prayer 8.25-8.50am	Mar 08  Mass 8am Stations of the Cross in Church 8.25-8.50am	Mar 09 Reconciliation 5.30-6pm Mass 6pm

Ash Wednesday



Ash Wednesday marks the start of Lent. A special time to help us prepare for Good Friday and Easter Sunday by remembering that: God created us from the dust in the ground and that one day when we die, our bodies will return to dust.

Why do we eat pancakes on Shrove Tuesday?



Shrove Tuesday is the day before Lent starts (on Ash Wednesday). So on this day, it was an opportunity to use up any food such as eggs, milk and butter which were made into Pancakes that couldn't be eaten during Lent.

Laetare Sunday

The 4th Sunday of Lent. Laetare means "internal joy" as the middle of the Lenten season is reached and we anticipate in "joy and love" of Christ's coming through His resurrection. On this day, Fr Tom may wear pink/rose-coloured vestments and the Church may now be decorated with flowers and more upbeat music can be played again.

Who was St Patrick?



Known as the "Apostle of Ireland" for bringing Christianity to Ireland. According to Irish legend, he introduced Christianity using the shamrock as a metaphor to teach people about the Holy Trinity (God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit).

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Mar 10 4th Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday Cross Making workshop by the Altar after 9am mass Masses 9am, 10.30am, 6pm	Mar 11 St Joseph's Day Communion Service 8am	Mar 12 Mass 8am <i>Think of someone you don't like and say 3 nice things about them.</i>	Mar 13 Mass 8am	Mar 14 Mass 8am Family Adoration & Prayer 8.25-8.50am	Mar 15  Mass 8am Stations of the Cross in Church 8.25-8.50am	Mar 16 Reconciliation 5.30-6pm Mass 6pm
Mar 17 5th Sunday of Lent St Patrick's Day Cross Making workshop by the Altar after 9am mass Masses 9am, 10.30am, 6pm	Mar 18 Communion Service 8am	Mar 19 Feast of St Joseph Mass 8am	Mar 20 Mass 8am	Mar 21 Mass 8am Family Adoration & Prayer 8.25-8.50am	Mar 22  Mass 8am Stations of the Cross in Church 8.25-8.50am Say a prayer for the people in the world who are hungry.	Mar 23 Reconciliation 5.30-6pm Mass 6pm
Mar 24 6th Sunday of Lent: Palm Sunday Masses 9am, 10.30am, 6pm Family and Baptism Anniversary Mass - 10.30am	Mar 25 Communion Service 8am	Mar 26 Mass 8am	Mar 27 Mass 8am	Mar 28 Holy Thursday 7.30pm Mass of The Lord's Supper, washing of the feet and Adoration On the Parish Green until 10pm.	Mar 29 Good Friday Stations Station of the Cross: - Children's Liturgy 10am Parish Green - Adults Liturgy 10am in the Church Commemoration of the Lord's Passion and Holy Communion 3pm	Mar 30 Holy Saturday Reconciliation 5.30-6pm Easter vigil: Festival of Light 7pm
What is Palm Sunday?  This is the Sunday before Easter celebrating Jesus entering into Jerusalem where he was greeted by the people waving palm branches and placing them along the road as He walked in.						
Mar 31 Easter Sunday Masses 7.30am, 9am, 10.30am						
						
						