



Lent

# Encounters

‘I invite you therefore, in the name of the church to observance of a holy Lent, by self examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy word’

*Introduction to the Ash Wednesday Liturgy*

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday continuing until the Holy Triduum (Holy Three Days: Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Eve) and Easter Day.

This Lent our programme encourages us to recognise Jesus is always with us; to explore our encounters with God and to see how we encounter God through worship, prayer, scripture and each other.

Come, join us on the journey.

# Lent at St Peter's

## Ash Wednesday—6th March

7.30am Mass with ashing

8.00am Ashes to Go,  
at the Church Steps

8.00pm Ash Wednesday Mass

Daily Prayer: 8.30am Morning Prayer

Monday to 5.00pm Evening Prayer  
Friday

Tuesday: 7.30pm Stations of the Cross:  
Encounters on the way

Wednesday: 6.30pm Simple supper followed  
by: In Word & Sacrament:  
Encounters with Jesus

Thursday: 1.30pm Contemplative Outreach:  
Encounters in Silence

## Sunday Services:

10.00am Parish Eucharist

5.30pm Evening Prayer

### **In Word & Sacrament: Encounters with Jesus**

On Wednesday evenings through Lent (6.30-8.15pm) we are offering a programme reflecting on encounters with Jesus in scripture. The evening will begin with a simple supper for those who want it (please sign up), continuing with a time of reflection and study, finishing with mass.

Wednesday 13th March

Mark 2, 1-12

Forgiving, healing, offending – ‘Who is this?’

Wednesday 20th March

Mark 7, 24-30

Pagan woman enlarges horizons

Wednesday 27th March

Luke 7, 36-end

Much love shows much forgiven

Wednesday 3rd April

Luke 19, 1-10

A Scrooge transformed

Wednesday 10th April

John 8 1-11

Sin and hypocrisy ... but mercy prevails

Wednesday 17th April

Mark 8, 27-35

Not just naming, but following

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### **Contemplative Outreach: Encounters in Silence**

Contemplative Outreach ([www.contemplativeoutreach.org.uk](http://www.contemplativeoutreach.org.uk)) promotes centering prayer as an approach to prayer, opening the mind and heart; our whole, to God.

John O'Brien and Christiane Ghose are practiced leaders and teachers in the field of Contemplative Prayer and will be leading us on encounters with God through silence in a five week course beginning Thursday 7th March, 1.30pm in the Lady Chapel.

# Holy Week & Easter

Saturday 13th April: 1.00pm—4.00pm Quiet Afternoon

Palm Sunday  
14th March : 10.00am Palm Procession from  
Montpelier Park (weather  
permitting) followed by Parish  
Eucharist with the Reading of the  
Passion.

Monday in  
Holy Week 8.30am Morning Prayer  
5.00pm Evening Prayer  
7.30pm Showing of

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Maundy Thursday: 10.30am Chrism Mass  
(St Paul's Cathedral)  
8.00pm The Mass of the Last Supper  
Followed by Vigil Watch until midnight

Good Friday: 10.00am Ecumenical Good Friday  
Witness  
12.00 noon –3.00pm The Three Hours  
Reflections at the foot of the cross

Easter Day  
21st April 5.15am Vigil Readings, First Light of  
Easter and the Dawn Mass followed  
by breakfast.  
10.00am Parish Mass  
(followed by an Easter Egg Hunt!)