



1. This coming Sunday will be the **Fifth Sunday of Lent**, sometimes known as 'Passion Sunday' since it marks the beginning of the season of 'Passiontide', the last fortnight of Lent. During this time the images in the church are veiled, as a visual reminder that Holy Week is drawing near. The readings for Mass can be found on page 176 of the Parish Mass Books.
2. **Our final Lenten talk will be this Tuesday 5th April**, just before Holy Week, and will be given by Fr. Marcus Holden, previously an assistant priest at Holy Ghost, and now Parish Priest of St Bede's Clapham Park. He is also Episcopal Vicar for Catechesis and Evangelisation in our diocese. He will speak on **the Passion and Crucifixion of Jesus**, drawing on his own experiences in the Holy Land, where he walked the original 'via dolorosa'. Do come along to inform and deepen your faith! This talk will take place in church, with refreshments available afterwards in the crypt.
3. A reminder that during Lent, there is a **12.30 lunchtime Mass** on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. These take place in the Lady Chapel.
4. **During Lent we celebrate the Stations of the Cross on Sundays at 5.15 pm.** This devotion replaces the usual Sunday evening Eucharistic Adoration during Lent. However, there will

still be Adoration on Fridays from 10.00 – 11.00 as usual (with Confessions available). The Stations of the Cross are a wonderful way to enter into the spirit of Lent, and we encourage everyone who can to take part.

5. We would be very pleased if there were more people willing to assist the **Welcomers Team in April**. Please sign up using:

https://doodle.com/poll/tuk7fh5vk7ssf36?utm_source=poll&utm_medium=link.

People can also volunteer sending Monse Cisa an email at: holyghostvolunteers@gmail.com.

6. Since schools break up early for Easter this year, and people will soon be travelling, the **'Easter Offering'** envelopes will be available in the church porch from this Sunday. The Easter Offering is your personal gift to the priests of the parish.

With our prayers and blessing during this holy season of Lent,

Fr. Richard and Fr. Giovanni