

Cycle of Prayer : 1 - 7 March 2021



It is customary, Lord
to give something up
during the season of Lent.
What would you have me do without?
I who have so much.
Chocolate?
Cream cakes?
Cigarettes?
Sweets?
Swearing?
The list is endless
and I could give up all those things
for the span of 40 days
quite easily and almost painlessly.
But what difference would it make
other than making me feel 'holier'
that my friend who makes no such sacrifice?
What would you have me do without?
I who have so much
Selfishness?
Conceit?
Envy?
Pride?
I fear before I ask,
that the answer might be 'yes'
and the giving up
would be all too real, Lord.
It would be difficult,
painful,
sacrificial,
a real cross to carry for 40 days,
and more?

Monday 1

Carsington Deanery

In a United Benefice the parish of St Michael & All Angels Alsop-en-Dale
Clergy: Carollyn McDonald, Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation

Tuesday 2

In a United Benefice the parish of St Peter Parwich. Clergy: Carollyn McDonald, Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation

Wednesday 3

In a United Benefice the parish of St Mary Tissington, Clergy: Carollyn McDonald, Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation

Thursday 4

In a United Benefice the parish of St Edmund King & Martyr, Fenny Bentley, Clergy: Carollyn McDonald, Reader Rosalind Hunt, PCC and the congregation. The Fitzherbert CE Primary school with staff, governor and children

Friday 5

The Women's World Day of Prayer is celebrated in over 170 countries, This year's material has been prepared by the women of Republic of Vanuatu who have taken the theme : "Build on a firm foundation" and the focus is on living wisely.

Saturday 6

In a United Benefice the parish of St Mary the Virgin South Darley
Clergy: Stephen Monk; PCC and the congregation.
South Darley CE Primary school the governors, staff and children

Sunday 7

Lent 3

Diocesan Registrar and Registry Administrators

May we by the prayer and discipline of Lent enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings and follow in the Way.

For hearts and minds that are open to all that God would say. Pray for a renewed sense of God's love for us all through Lent

In the blazing light of your love

our failings are illuminated;

our failure to give, our failure to love