Weekend 1st & 2nd March 2025 Day of Prayer for Temperance

- 1. We pray for our Holy Father, that the Lord may grant him wisdom and courage, to guide and govern the church. Lord, hear us.
- 2. May we always use the wonderful gift of speech to praise and thank God, and to comfort and encourage our neighbour. Lord, hear us.
- **3.** For the ability to look into our hearts, see our faults and refrain from passing comment on the shortcomings of others. **Lord, hear us.**
- 4. We pray for the sick, the sorrowing, and those troubled in mind or body. May the Lord touch their lives with his healing power. Lord, hear us.

Weekend 8th & 9th March 2025 First Sunday of Lent

- 1. We pray for the church throughout the world as we enter this season of Lent. May these weeks be a time of renewal and growth for all God's people. Lord, hear us.
- 2. We pray for ourselves, that during this holy season of Lent we may make a genuine effort to be reconciled with anyone from whom we are presently estranged. Lord, hear us.
- **3.**We pray that the nations of the world will come to the aid of those who have had to flee from violence of war, and we pray that God's spirit of peace and love may overcome the evil that has brought about these conflicts. **Lord, hear us.**
- **4.**We pray for those who are distressed by sickness, grief or worry. May God's word give them consolation and may our concern give them support. **Lord, hear us.**

Weekend 15th & 16th March 2025 Second Sunday of Lent

- We pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, that the Lord may grant him health, strength and wisdom.
 Lord, hear us.
- We pray for ourselves, that we, in our day-to-day lives, may radiate the love of Christ to all who meet us.
 Lord, hear us.
- 3. We pray for our young people, that they may grow strong in faith and so be able to face the future with confidence and with hope. **Lord, hear us.**
- 4. We pray for the sick and all those who care for them. May the Spirit of God bring them consolation, strength and healing. **Lord, hear us.**

Weekend 22nd & 23rd February 2025 Third Sunday of Lent

- 1. We pray that all who exercise authority in the church may proclaim the truth with courage and be kind and merciful towards all whom they serve. **Lord, hear us.**
- 2. For all whose lives are empty of good deeds, may they produce the fruits of patience, generosity and peace. Lord, hear us.
- 3. We pray for ourselves that our hearts might be renewed by a deep conversation this Lent. **Lord, hear us.**
- 4. We ask the Lord to bless our sick friends and relatives. May they receive the healing power of Jesus Christ through the care and concern of those around them Lord, hear us.

Weekend 29th & 30th 2025 Fourth Sunday of Lent

- **1.**We pray for the leaders of our Church, that they, like the prodigal son, may be able to admit their failings and to seek God's forgiveness. **Lord, hear us.**
- 2. We pray that we, like the father in the Gospel story, may always be willing to forgive others. Above all, we pray that we may be able to forgive those close to us, members of our own families, who may have let us down or hurt us. Lord, hear us.
- **3.**We pray that we may have the courage to say sorry whenever our words or actions may have caused conflict or pain for others. **Lord, hear us.**
- **4.**On this Mother's Day, we pray for our mothers; we ask the Lord to bless and reward them for the love and kindness they show us every day. We also ask the Lord to be close to those women who have not experienced the joy of motherhood. **Lord, hear us.**