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Parish Newsletter: Sunday 11th March 2018

Date	Time	Venue	Mass	Intention
Sat 10	6.00pm	Downend	4 th Sunday of Lent	John Penny RIP
Sun 11	9.30am	Downend	(Laetare Sunday)	Mary Mizen RIP
Tues 13	6.30pm	Downend	Weekday of Lent	Mary Corbett RIP
Tues 13	7.30pm	YATE	<i>Lenten Penitential Rite & Anointing</i>	
Wed 14	9.30am	Frenchay	Weekday of Lent	Kath Scully RIP
Thur 15	9.30am	Downend	School Class Mass (All welcome)	Noreen McCool RIP
Thur 15	7.30pm	Kingswood	<i>Lenten Penitential Rite & Anointing</i>	
Fri 16	7.00pm	Downend	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Fri 16	7.30pm	Downend	Weekday of Lent	Deceased of the Shrimpton Family
Sat 17	6.00pm	Downend	5 th Sunday of Lent	Gerald Haynees RIP
Sun 18	9.30am	Downend		Gwen Bastable RIP
CONFESSIONS			Usual times~ Fri 7.00-7.20pm during Adoration & Sat 5.00-5.30pm	
ROSARY			Usual times ~ Tues 7.00pm and Thurs after morning Mass	

<u>LAST WEEKEND'S:</u> (1) MASS ATTENDANCE Saturday 6pm: 69 Sunday 9.30am: 163	<u>MONTHLY:</u> (1) STANDING ORDER DONATIONS for Jan: £2704
(2) LOOSE COLLECTION & OFFERTORY ENVELOPE DONATIONS TOTAL: £412.13	(2) GIFT AID RECEIVED BACK ON STANDING ORDERS for December £630.51
SECOND COLLECTIONS: Next, is for Holy Places which will be on Good Friday.	(3) NARTHEX COLLECTION BOX for February Holy Souls £19.88 SVP £23.68 Soup Run £51.28

Many thanks for your continued generosity for all our collections

PRAYERS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of baby Reggie, all who have died recently & for Mary Mizen, Ronald Ashwin, Dennis Long, Edward Smyth, Josyzk Jancar, Dennis Crane, Peter Stuart, Edward Shear, Fr Danny Campbell, Marija Jancar, Damion Simmons, Michael Davies, Denis O'Donoghue, Joan Hegley & Norah Scanlon whose anniversaries occur at this time

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Kerry Fox, Susan Burke, Faye Jones, Rebecca Brookbank, Isabel, Maureen Lloyd, David Merrifield, Louis Marshall, David Nipper, Jill Bradley, Michael Duffy, Edwina Keller (*Munday*), Rachel Smith, Rosie Judd, Barry Hyder, Molly Poole, Phyllis Cummins, Baby Henry Isaacs, Kinga Jakubowska, Peter O'Donnell, Rose Bermingham, Katherine Duffy, Emily Davis (Yvonne Fry's granddaughter), Mary Bird, Vera Pitman, David Tyrer, Deacon Peter, Sarah Powell, Michael, Ellen Tyrer, Carol Foggin, Dooley O'Driscoll, Michael Nolan, Moses Kagezi, Sister Mary Catherine de St. Augustine (Jean Coombs Cousin), Rachel & James Knowles, Christopher & Catherine Browne, Cormack Jordan (John & Petra's young nephew), Nicholas Brown (Bill Brown's son), Eileen Bowlt (Ursula Le Poidevin's mum), Cliff Batchelor, Paula Stuart, Erika Lim (Mrs Dailey's sister), Maureen Norris (Mike's mum), Ken Davis (Myra Woods' Brother) & Tom Hudd.

Please notify the office if you wish a name to be added or taken off of our 'Prayers for the Sick' list.

Words of Wisdom: If you are not as close to God as you used to be.... who moved?

PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: Please email us so we can update our records.

PARISH PROJECT: March is Brain Tumour Awareness month & Brain Tumour Support have supplied packs if anyone would like to run a coffee morning/afternoon tea at home or at work for friends with donations to BTS. Collect a Pack from the office if you would like 1.

APF: Thank you to all holders of red mission boxes. Those who do not have them emptied by a promoter, please return them now to Peter Mason or leave in the sacristy for collection.

GIFT AID: We will soon be handing out the new offertory envelope boxes. If anyone would like to join either of our regular giving schemes (by envelope or by bank-standing order) please take a yellow form from the Narthex and speak to Bernadette (Gift Aid secretary). If your address or gift aid status ever changes, please don't forget to inform the parish office.

OFFICE HELP: Is anyone free for about ¼ hour on a Fri a.m. to help print the newsletter? We could do with more volunteers for the next rota (Approx. 4 weeks). Please call us if you can help.

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS: Would your child like to join one of our units? We have Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers & Scouts... from ages 5 to 14! Fun, friendship, life skills & life long memories to be made! Also, more Leaders & helpers wanted - training & uniformed paid for - such a rewarding role, giving something back to the community + for young leaders, it looks great on a CV for the future! Call Petra 9570239 or Tanya 9104886 for all the information.

DEACON JOHN: As the disciples were sent out into the world, so are we, particularly in this year of mission. This Palm Sunday weekend Deacon John is on a mission, walking between all our parishes in communion. Further information about how you can join in this mission & support Deacon John will be available over the next couple of weeks.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

LENTEN LUNCHES: We invite you to the Hall each Friday in Lent for good company & delicious soups served from noon through to 1.30 - any donations given going to CAFOD
SOUP RUN: Sun 11th March 7.30pm in the hall *Open meeting* for all those involved or for anyone who would like to find out what happens with the Bristol Soup Run Trust. We are advertising in the local community to see if there is even more interest. If you are happy to carry on as part of the rota please do nothing! Get in touch if you wish to change your role.

ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATIONS: Come along to a fun St Patrick's evening of Irish dancers, singing, live entertainment, dancing, food & drinks on **Sat 17th March**. It promises to be a fantastic night! 7-11.30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes School with bar & raffle. 'Earlybird' Ticket price of just £8 per adult includes Irish Stew & bread all in aid of Brain Tumour Support in their awareness month of March. (£10 pp after Mon 12th March)

LEGION OF MARY. Our annual "Acies" service, during which we renew our commitment to Mary, will take place next **Sun 18th March** at 3.30pm in the church. The service will include Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. You are invited to join us

GOSPEL EXTRAVANGANZA: Sun 18th March 7.30pm Wills Memorial building BS8 1JR for a wonderful night of live Gospel music. Go to www.ggcc.org.uk for info and tickets.

PENITENTIAL RITE & SACRAMENT OF ANNOINTING: There are 3 services in our Parishes in Communion during Lent with the service being held here on **Wed 21st March**.

RETREAT MORNING FOR WOMEN: Thurs 22nd March-begins at 11am. With spiritual direction, meditations & confessions with Fr Andrew Byrne (Opus Dei) & concluding with Mass. You are welcome to bring a packed lunch as tea/coffee will be served in the hall after.

HAVEN HOME: Following this year's Parish visit to our friends at Haven Home school & orphanage in India, come along for a Mass of thanksgiving for the wonderful work they do on **Fri 23rd March** at 7.30pm & then afterwards you are all invited to the hall for refreshments, to hear an update on how life is progressing & to see the photos.

CAKE SALE: Please 'Bring n Buy' at the Cake sale for HCPT on **Sun 25th March** after Mass.

DIARY DATES: A Family Walk/picnic in aid of Brain Tumour Support on **Sat 21st April**.