



'We pray together at home.'

The Second
Sunday
Lent

Year B
Sunday 28th February

'THOUGH WE ARE MANY, WE ARE ONE BODY IN CHRIST.'
1 CORINTHIANS 12:12

During this time when we may be unable to join together with our parish communities to celebrate the Eucharist, we offer you this resource as a way of engaging with the readings and prayers of the Mass. The readings are taken from the Lectionary for children.

These resources can be used whilst participating digitally in the many private Masses that priests in our diocese are offering online.

We hope you find this resource useful.

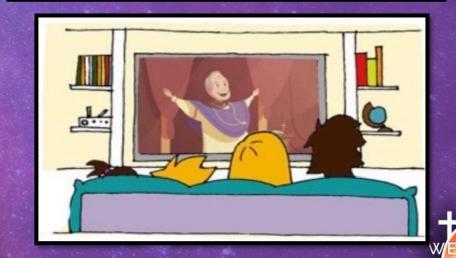
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Click here to find the full list of all online streamed Masses available throughout the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/he

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Creating a place of prayer in the home.

Light a candle and gather together with your family. You might place a Crucifix of a Holy Image next to your candle. If you have a Bible, you may like to open the Bible to the readings that are going to be used during Mass today.

Use the link on the first page of this document to access Livestreamed Masses from around the Diocese.

We Gather together as God's family and ask for His Forgiveness

We gather together in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Amen.

We turn to God asking for His guidance and strength in our lives.

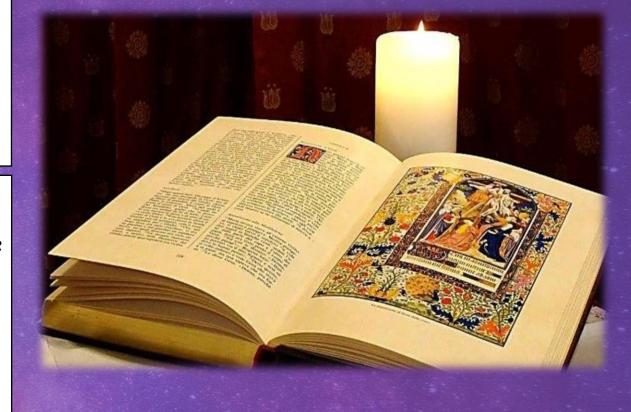
Lord Jesus, You heal the sick- Lord have mercy Lord Jesus, You forgive sinners- Christ have mercy Lord Jesus, You give us yourself to feed us and bring us strength- Lord have mercy

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen

We join with all the angels and saints as we sing:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sDLY8oOhVil



We pray together

God of life, your Son Jesus went out into the desert to talk to you in prayer. Help us to talk to you and get closer to you this Lent, in our prayers and in our actions. Through Christ our Lord,

Amen.



We Listen to the Word of God:

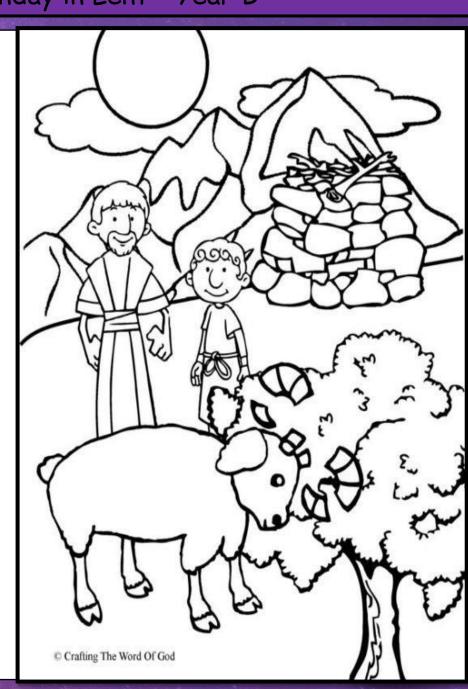
A reading from the book of Genesis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.' When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he put Isaac on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self - it is the Lord who speaks - because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants.'

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



We Listen to the Word of God:

The Responsorial Psalm R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

With all my heart
I praise the Lord,
and with all that I am
I praise his holy name!
With all my heart
I praise the Lord!
I will never forget
how kind he has been.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

The Lord is merciful!

He is kind and patient,
and his love never fails.

How great is God's love for all
who worship him?

Greater than the distance
between heaven and earth!

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.





We Listen to the Word of God:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans 8:31, 38-39

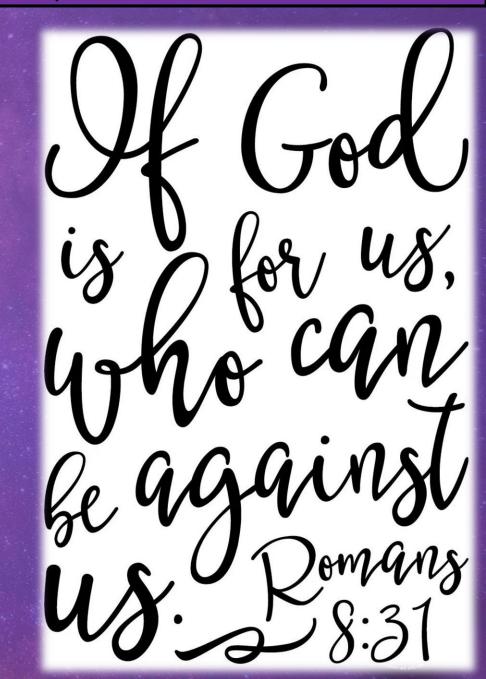
Brothers and sisters:
What can we say about all this?
If God is on our side, can anyone be against us?
I am sure that nothing can separate us from God's love not life or death, not angels or spirits,
not the present or the future,
and not the powers above or powers below.
Nothing in all creation can separate us from God's love for us

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

in Christ Jesus our Lord!







We Greet the Good News by saying:

R. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him.

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† A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him and went up on a high mountain, where they could be alone.

There in front of the disciples, Jesus was completely changed.

And his clothes became much whiter than any bleach on earth could make them. Then Moses and Elijah were there talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Teacher, it is good for us to be here!

Let us make three shelters one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But Peter and the others were terribly frightened,

and he did not know what he was talking about.

The shadow of a cloud passed over and covered them.

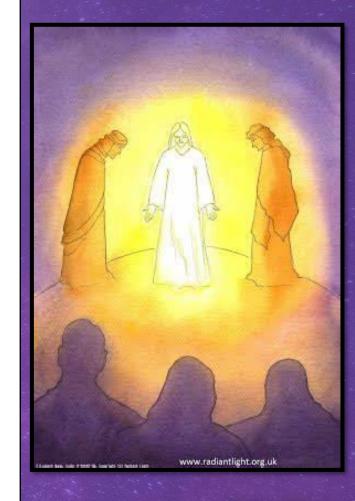
From the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, and I love him.

Listen to what he says!" At once the disciples looked around,

but they saw only Jesus. As Jesus and his disciples were coming down the mountain, he told them not to say a word about what they had seen, until the Son of Man had been raised from death.

So they kept it to themselves. But they wondered what he meant by the words "raised from death."

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to You**, **Lord Jesus Christ**





We Respond

This Sunday, we hear about Abraham who is tested to offer his only Son as a sacrifice.

Some times we get confused about why a loving God would ask Abraham to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. But we forget: That's what all the tribes thought the gods wanted. By obeying what he understood to be what his God wanted, Abraham, hears God say clearly: "Do not lay your hand on the boy" and "Do not do the least thing to him." Abraham learns, that by making the choice to do what God asked, allowing himself to be tested, led to even greater things.

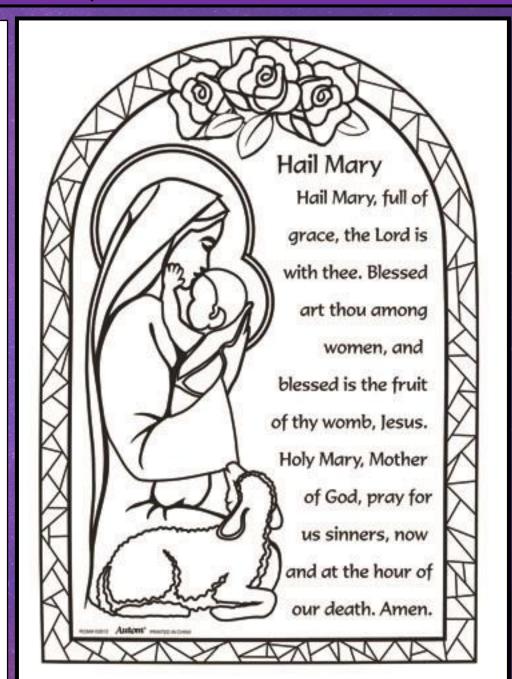
Because Abraham was willing to do what God had asked, God promises—makes a Covenant—to give Abraham a huge number of descendants and give them huge blessings! This is good news!!

The Gospel is the story of Jesus taking Peter, James and John up the mountain and being completely changed—transfigured. Then, it seems Moses and Elijah appear. Feeling 'terrified,' Peter wants to make the event permanent. Suddenly, God speaks: "This is my Beloved, Son. Listen to him. "And then, Jesus is alone; they come down the mountain; Jesus tells them not to tell anyone until He has risen from the dead. "What's this all about?" Peter, James and John wonder to themselves.

It is a mystery. Following Jesus is filled with MYSTERY. In the mystery of Jesus' life is the perfect balance of rules and dreams. Moses represents the Law and Elijah the Prophet, dreams for the best of what believers have come to value.

We Profess our faith in God together:

I believe in God the Father, I believe in God the Son, I believe in God the Holy Spirit. Our God is three, Our God is One.



We Respond (Bidding Prayers from CAFOD)

You may want to ask the children to offer their own prayers or you can use the suggestions below.

As we try to be closer to God this Lent, we pray together:

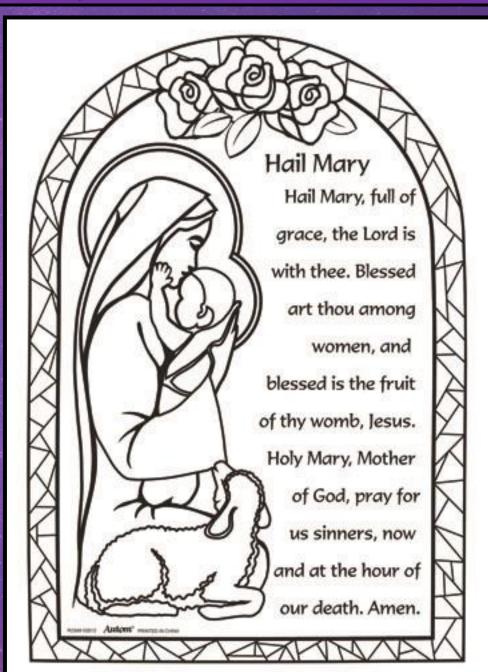
We pray for world leaders: that they may work together to make sure all people have the things that they need - clean safe water, food and somewhere to live. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for all those who must spend hours each day walking to fetch water, and who dream of a better future. Through God's grace, may our actions this Lent help to make those dreams a reality. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may make changes to our lives this Lent that will change the lives of others around the world. Lord, in your mercy...







We Pray the Family Prayer of All Christians
Our Father...

We now make an Act of Spiritual Communion My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all thing and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

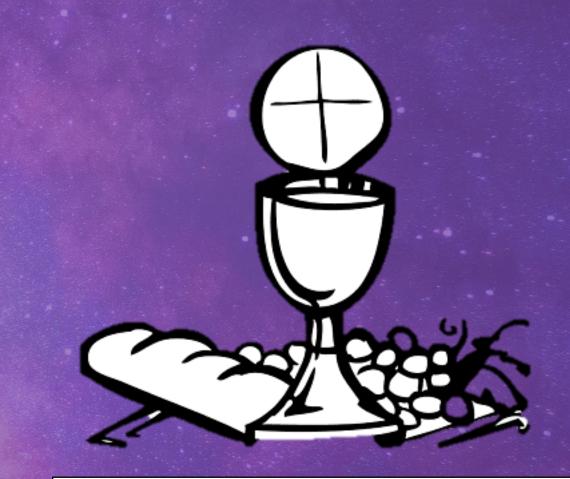
Amen

We end our time of prayer

May God Bless us and keep us safe.
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy
Spirit.
Amen







We can join in the Celebration of Mass online by visiting the following website:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0EqgcFTh5i2y_EQw

- St. Mary's RC Cathedral, Newcastle (Sunday Mass at 11:30am- Daily Mass 12 noon)



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Activity Ideas- From CAFOD

Invite the children to colour in the illustration.

Encourage the children to join in with CAFOD's Water Droplet Trail this Lent by filling in a water droplet template and displaying it in their window. As they go on their daily walks or exercise, how many other water droplets can they spot? While they are walking the water droplet trail, they could think about those around the world who do not have enough water. Perhaps they could get sponsored for their walk and give the money to CAFOD? More details of how to get involved: cafod.org.uk/primary/lent

Encourage the children to share all that they have heard and thought about in today's liturgy with others at home. Each time they turn on the tap or have a drink of water, they could remember Abdul and Abdella and all those who do not have enough water.





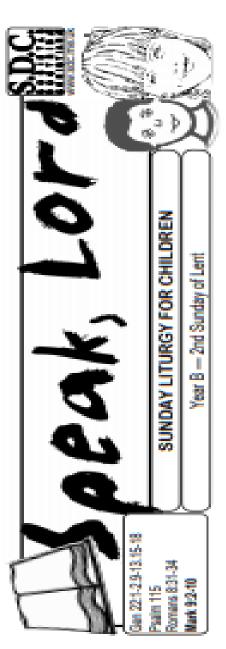


First Sunday of Lent Gospel: Mark 1:12-15



Find Lent Fast day activities and resources for children at cafod.org.uk/families





Jesus took Peter, James and John up a mountain.



His clothes became dazzlingly white!

God's voice was heard through a cloud. Draw Jesus in his shining white clothes on the mountain.

