

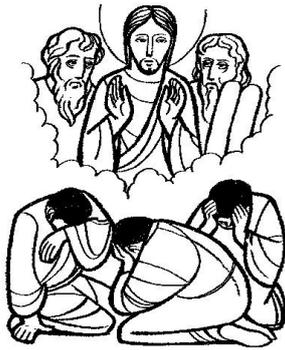


## SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH Coven, Staffordshire

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### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 1 March 2026



'This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him!' Each year on this Sunday we hear how Jesus revealed his glory to his friends on Mount Tabor. As we walk with Jesus during Lent we pray that, attending to the Father's call to listen to his Son, we too might see his glory.

2 Christ whose glory fills the skies  
595 Be thou my vision  
464 Sweet Sacrament divine  
281 'Tis good, Lord, to be here

The Angelus follows the blessing:

The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary,  
**And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee;  
blessed art thou amongst women,  
and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.  
**Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Hail Mary, full of grace ...  
And the Word was made flesh.  
**And dwelt among us.**

Hail Mary, full of grace ...  
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.  
**That we may be made worthy  
of the promises of Christ.**

A prayer follows and all respond, **Amen.**

### NOTICES

**Welcome to Saint Paul's.** This morning's service can be followed in the green booklets you were given as you came in, with hymns from the red hymn book. A collection will be taken during the second hymn.

**Pauline Appleby** has been awarded the Saint Chad medal by the bishop in recognition of her long service to Saint Paul's, which will be presented to her at a special Evensong in the Cathedral this afternoon at 3.30pm.

Unfortunately **Darquise's concert** this Friday at Saint Peter's, Wolverhampton, has had to be cancelled.

#### This week at Saint Paul's:

Easter choir in church, Tuesday, 7.00pm.

Said Mass, Wednesday, 10.30am.,

followed by Lent Programme at the Vicarage.

Coven Mothers Union will be holding a **Cuppa and Cake** fundraiser for The Haven and other charities, in church, Saturday 7 March, 12.00pm to 4.00pm. All welcome.

**We pray** for the sick: Pauline Appleby, Fr Frank Kirby, Iris Ward, Ethan, Megan, Nikki; for the recently departed; and for those whose anniversaries occur this week: Sheila Goddard, Evelyn Severn, Anthony Banks, Edith Wellsbury, Ivor Wright, Ben Morgan, Frances Holt, Violet Meredith, John Pew.

**Saint Paul's**, like any parish of the Church of England, relies on the generosity of those who worship here. Please leave your offering on the plate or donate by bank transfer to: St Paul's Parochial Church Council, Coven, AC 02115540, Sort code 30-99-83.

#### DAILY BIBLE READINGS Second Week of Lent

Monday	Daniel 9.4-10
Saint Chad	Luke 6.36-38
Tuesday	Isaiah 1.10, 16-20
Lent weekday	Matthew 23.1-12
Wednesday	Jeremiah 18.18-20
Lent weekday	Matthew 20.17-28
Thursday	Jeremiah 17.5-10
Lent weekday	Luke 16.19-end
Friday	Genesis 37.3-28
Lent weekday	Matthew 21.33-46
Saturday	Micah 7.14-20
Saints Perpetua & Felicity	Luke 15.1-3, 11-end
Next Sunday	Exodus 17.3-7; Romans 5.1-8
Third Sunday of Lent	John 4.5-42