



Lent 2025:

Walking in

Faith

Opportunities for Worship,
Study and Prayer

*All are welcome to each and
any of these events*



WALKING IN FAITH THROUGH PRAYER:

Before services in Lent we will be encouraging congregations to give time to thoughtful preparation for worship. Look out for resources for this from the end of February. Here is a prayer you may like to use at home in this season:

*Almighty and everlasting God,
you hate nothing that you have made
and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:
create and make in us new and contrite hearts
that we, worthily lamenting our sins
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may receive from you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

WALKING IN FAITH THROUGH PENITENCE:

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 5th March, when all are invited to begin the season with special services of Penitence. Holy Communion at 10am, Choral Eucharist at 7:30pm. Optional imposition of ashes available at both services. On Ash Wednesday we will begin using Psalm 1 as a Lenten 'Anchor' psalm for the season.

WALKING IN FAITH THROUGH REFLECTION AND COMPANY:

On Tuesday Lunchtimes at 12 noon, we will hold meditations in the Lady Chapel. These will be followed by a frugal lunch and fellowship in the Windhill Churches Centre, in aid of the two charities supported by our Charities Support Group Lent Appeal this year: *Holy Trinity Night Shelter* and *Supporting Dalit Children*.

This year our theme is **Lent Reflections on Everyday Objects**, with a reading, reflection, hymn and prayer.

11 March *Spectacles*

18 March *Shoes*

25 March *A Toilet*

1 April *Electricity* [*Session will take place in WCC today*]

8 April *A Dining Table*

WALKING IN FAITH THROUGH WORSHIP, STUDY AND REFLECTION:

Why not place a renewed emphasis on the joy and discipline of regular worship, and the special services this season offers? Details are overleaf. If you're away and can't attend, why not ponder the Gospel at home?

Tom Wright's *'Lent, Holy Week and Easter: From Wilderness to Glory'* is a helpful resource for daily Bible reading and reflection. And may we recommend Rowan Williams' *'Luminaries'* as a devotional book you may like to read and ponder during this season.

Diary for Lent 2025

In addition to our regular services, please note:

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| 5 March | 10am ● Ash Wednesday Communion |
| | 7:30pm ● Ash Wednesday Choral Eucharist |
| 11 March | 12pm ● Lent Meditation |
| 16 March | 11:15am ● Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion & Litany |
| 18 March | 12pm ● Lent Meditation |
| 25 March | 12pm ● Lent Meditation |
| 1 April | 12pm ● Lent Meditation |
| 6 April | 6pm ● Choral Evensong for Passiontide |
| 8 April | 12pm ● Lent Meditation |
| 13 April | 10am ● Parish Communion for Palm Sunday |
| 17 April | 7:30pm ● Maundy Thursday Eucharist |
| 18 April | 10am ● Good Friday United Service with Churches Together |
| 20 April | 8am ● Easter Day Holy Communion |
| | 10am ● Easter Day Parish Communion with the Choir |

Gospel Readings during Lent

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| 5 March | Matthew 6. 1-6, 16-21 <i>or</i> John 8. 1-11 |
| 9 March | Luke 4. 1-13 |
| 16 March | Luke 13. 31-35 |
| 23 March | Luke 13. 1-9 |
| 30 March | Mothering Sunday Luke 2. 33-35 [Readings for Fourth Sunday of Lent: Luke 15. 1-3, 11b-32] |
| 6 April | John 12. 1-8 |
| 13 April | Luke 19. 28-40 |
| 17 April | John 13. 1-17, 31b-35 |
| 18 April | John 18. 1 - 19. 42 |
| 20 April | Luke 24. 1-12 <i>or</i> John 20. 1-18 |