## 2023 Count down to Easter. How are you going to prepare?

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	February 26 <sup>th</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> March	March 5 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> March	March 12 <sup>th</sup> – March 18 <sup>th</sup>	March 19 <sup>th</sup> - March 25 <sup>th</sup>	March 26 <sup>th</sup> – April 1 <sup>st</sup>	April 2 <sup>nd</sup> - April 8 <sup>th</sup>	April 9 <sup>th</sup>
Dear God	1st Sunday of Lent	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent Share any worries you have with Jesus, our God and friend.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent Light a candle for someone special.	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday. Do something nice for mum or Grandma today.	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent Find a quiet place to be and say a prayer for those who are sick, sad or lonely.	PALM SUNDAY Collect your palm at Mass What did the people shout as they waved their palms?	EASTER SUNDAY
Watch over us as we begin our Lenten journey	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday's Gospel was Matthew 4:1-11 What is it encouraging us to do this week?	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday's Gospel was Matthew 17:1-9. What is it encouraging us to do this week?	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday's Gospel Was John 4:5-42. What is it encouraging us to do this week?	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday's Gospel Was John 9:1-41. This was also the Feast of St Joseph. What is he the patron of?	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday's Gospel was John 11:1-45. What is it encouraging us to do this week?	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday's Gospel The Palm Sunday Gospel was Matthew 21: 1-11. What is it encouraging us to do this week?	100E
Shrove Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Pancake Day Time to write my Lenten promise.	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> What is your favourite food? In some parts of the world people don't have a choice.	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Friends are loyal and kind. Make friends, don't break friends	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Keep an eye out for someone who needs help today.	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> Write a Lent prayer. Include the words: pray, share, help, listen, Jesus.	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> Easter is nearly here. Start getting ready by making Easter cards for your family and friends.	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Let us pray for peace today	
Ash Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Why do we receive ashes today?	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> the <b>Feast of St</b> <b>David</b> . What does 'Dydd Gŵyl Dewi Hapus' mean?	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> You are special and loved by God. Be kind to everyone.	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Spread some kindness. Share a smile	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Tell a family member three things you have learnt about Lent. <b>3</b>	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> As a family, pray the Our Father for children in need of help. What else can you do to help?	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Pray for friends and family who have died.	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Find out what the word 'Lent' means.	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Say thank you for your families	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> It is Spring Plant some seeds today.	Thursday 16 <sup>h</sup> Tomorrow is the Feast of St Patrick Find out where St Patrick went to share God's love.	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Tomorrow is the Feast of St Oscar Romero. Find out why he was made a saint.	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> We are drawing closer to Holy Week. Find out why it's the most important week of the year.	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> Why do priests, including the Pope, wash the feet of others today?	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Pray and reflect on the first two Stations of the Cross.	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Pray and reflect on the 3rd and 4 <sup>th</sup> Stations of the Cross.	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Pray and reflect on the 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6th Stations of the Cross.	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Pray and reflect on the 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8th Stations of the Cross.	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Pray and reflect on the 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10th Stations of the Cross.	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Pray and reflect on the 11th and 12 <sup>th</sup> Stations of the Cross.	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> GOOD FRIDAY Kiss the Cross today Jesus loves us more than we realise	

Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 11 <sup>h</sup>	Saturday 18th	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 1st	Saturday 8th	
It's Lent so be ready	Why does the Church	'Love one another as I	Find out what the word	Today we honour the day	Ask a family member to	HOLY SATURDAY	
to forgive.	use the colour purple in	have loved you.'	'sacrifice' means. What	that Jesus began to grow in	help you discover why	The Easter Candle is lit	
	Lent?		could you sacrifice for	Mary's womb. Ask Mary	palms will be given out at		
			someone today?	to pray for all mums-to-be.	church tomorrow.		
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