

SAINT TERESA OF AVILA

&

SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER, IRLAM

PARISH NEWSLETTER

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8TH March 2026



MASS

SUNDAY – 9am at St Joseph's

Sunday – 10:30am at St. Teresa's
(including Children's Liturgy)

Monday – 10am at St Joseph's

Tuesday – 10am at St Teresa's

Wednesday – 10am at St Joseph's

Thursday – 10am at St Teresa's

Friday – 10am at St Joseph's

Saturday – 10am at St Teresa's
(Including Exposition & Rosary)

Saturday – 6pm at St Joseph's

CONFESSION

Saturday 10.30am – 11am At Teresa's

Saturday 5.30pm – 5.50pm St Joseph's

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Please join us in the Avila Centre after Sunday 10.30am

Mass for teas & coffees. ALL WELCOME!

The Stations of the Cross

Please join us to pray and reflect on Jesus' journey to Calvary in The Stations of the Cross on Thursday 12th March at 6:30pm in St. Teresa's Church. We will be joined by the children from both of our schools and parishioners. EVERYONE is welcome!

Parish Penitential Service. Holy Week: Tuesday 31st March 2026.

This time it is the turn of St. Joseph's Church to host us for the Penitential Service on Tuesday 31st March 2026 at 7.0pm. It takes place in Holy Week and sets us up well for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter.

The Last Friday Of Every Month At 6.30pm

There will be Eucharistic Adoration with music, a talk to go deeper in our faith and social time as St Teresa's church. This is aimed at ages 19-35, but EVERYONE is welcome.

Renewal of Commitment of Parish Eucharistic Ministers.

If possible, I would like to ask as many of our Eucharistic Ministers as can be available to share our renewal to serve the sick that we minister to by attending Mass on Holy Thursday, which takes place in the evening at St. Joseph's Church. It is also an opportunity for me to thank so many of you who bridge the gap for our housebound members and who keep this vital link for them by receiving the Holy Eucharist weekly, which is the source and summit of our salvation.

Baptism of Yalek Igbunu Danaan on Sunday 15th March 2026 at St. Teresa's Church during Mass.

On Sunday 15th March we welcome Felicity and Twansen who are presenting their son Yalek for baptism during Mass in St. Teresa's Church! This is an opportunity for me to cut down on the Sermon and make way for Yalek! Felicity and Twansen originally come from Nigeria and as some of you know Yalek was born very, very prematurely. Through the help of our wonderful nurses and doctors; through the prayers of his family and friends; and through the grace of God, Yalek is growing strong. We will be joined by choir members and friends of Felicity and Twansen for the Mass, and all are invited to share in their joy after Mass in the Avila Centre. Amen!

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Cafod Family Fast Days.

Thank you for £105 received for Cafod Family Fast Day recently. We will set this money aside until after Easter. We will hopefully continue our fasting during Lent and especially on Good Friday, and whatever comes in for Cafod from you collected in the available green envelopes in Church will be sent to them straight after Easter. Thank you.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

This year's pilgrimage is Saturday 2nd May with an option to stay over on Friday 1st May. Rooms will be allocated on a 1st come 1st served basis but we will try to fulfil reasonable requests. If you wish to book for the overnight trip and will require assistance in the unlikely event of an emergency evacuation, please also complete the 'PEEP form'. Day Trip £40, Overnight Stay £135 — £151.

Forms are at the back of church and need to please be returned to either Father Tony or Vicky Keeling. Thanks.

Prayers for peace in these dark days.

Recently, our Holy Father Pope Leo asked us all not to lose heart but to be strong and determined to pray for peace in our world. As a parish community we are going to recite Pope Leo's prayer to St. Francis after every Mass. The following prayer will be reproduced in the newsletter weekly and prayer cards have been made available for you to take for yourself and the household to pray at home.

Pope Leo's Prayer to St. Francis.

Saint Francis, our brother, you eight hundred years ago went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace,

Intercede for us before the Lord.

You recognised true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano,

Teach us to seek him the source of all reconciliation that breaks down every wall.

You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding,

Give us the courage to build bridges where the world raises up boundaries.

In this time afflicted by conflict and division,

Intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers:

Unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ. Amen.

Offertory Collection

Sunday Offertory £838.69

Candles £82, Thank You.