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Parish Office: Monday: 10.00 – 12.00pm
 Thursday and Friday: 10.00 – 13.00pm
 Wednesday 14.00 – 18.00pm (Fr Patrick)

Liturgy this week 20th to 26th February 2010
 Saturday 20th February: First Sunday of Lent

	Reconciliation	5.00pm
	Mass	5.30pm
Sunday 21 st February	Mass	9.30am
Wednesday 24 th February:	Mass	6.30pm

Next Week's readings: Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18; Phillipians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9: 28-36

Simon's Shoulder; Bear one another's burdens Galatians 6.2: In your Prayers please remember those parishioners and others who are ill, housebound, or recovering from surgery, especially Monica Whaley, Rita Lyons, Catherine Elgar, Beryl Harding, and all those injured in conflict. Please also remember in your prayers Pascal Lyons at this time.
May they rest in Peace; Please pray for the soldiers killed in Afghanistan, and all who have died recently and Bishop Joseph Rudderham, Robert Matthews, William Niblett, Tracey Kennedy, Annie Ingall, Caroline Womack and all whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all rest in peace, Amen.

Lent: Bishop Declan has written to us on this First Sunday in Lent, reflecting on his recent visit to Rome and his meeting with Our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI; Bishop Declan is also reminding us that we are all on a journey through Lent and we should unite ourselves with Jesus in his death and resurrection remembering that God loves us all. Through Baptism we share the life of the Risen Lord, and the season of Lent reminds us of our need to readjust our vision of what Christian life really means. As we pray to God our Father at this time, may we be confident that he, who always hears our voice when we call him, will be with us in all our needs.

Lenten Lunches; On Friday the Lenten lunch in conjunction with Tetbury Area Churches Together started here at St Michaels, with donations for charity. There will be Stations of the Cross at 12 noon followed at 12.30 by the Lenten lunch each Friday here at St Michaels. St Michael's will be hosting the lunch on Friday 12th March 2010. We will need helpers to serve on the day; if you can help or if you would like to make the soup on the 12th March please contact Lizzie Carville (Tel: 01453 836772 evenings). We hope many of you as possible will be able to help; thank you.

Women's Day of Prayer; This is due to take place here at St Michael's on Friday 5th March 2010. We would like to encourage as many as possible of our congregation to attend; please come long, thank you.

Parish Lenten Retreat: Please note the poster "From Ashes to Sunrise" in the church porch for Saturday 6th March 2010; to be held at Nympsfield. Early registration will be most helpful; please put your names on the sheet in the porch, thank you.

Book Sale: A book sale is being held in our Parish Hall in aid of our Parish Charity; please come and have a browse. There is a wide range of titles, mostly novels, @ 50p per book.

Items for the bulletin: *If you have anything for the bulletin, will you please let Elaine know by close of play on Thursday evening, many thanks.*

Fair Trade Table: The fair trade table is available on the second weekend of each month. We are looking for one or two people to be on hand at the Saturday evening Mass to receive the money etc. The more people who volunteer to help, the less frequency that you will have to be on a rota.

Parish Charity 2010: The Parish Charity this year is "Friends of the Holy Land". A Charity established in England and Wales based on Parish Groups of Friends working together to support the Christian Community in The Holy Land.

St Patrick's Social Evening: Please join us on Saturday 20th March 2010 in the hall for an enjoyable evening. Further details will follow; please put the date in your diary.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bishop Declan Lang invites you to join him on our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 20th to Friday 27th August 2010. Please see poster in porch for further information.

Parish Finance:

Weekend 13th and 14th February 2010; Collection raised £167; **With Many Thanks**
Next Weekend: There is a retiring collection next weekend for CAFOD Lent Fast Day. CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) is the official overseas development and relief agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. The cornerstone of CAFODs income is the funding that they receive from the Catholic Community whose generosity and compassion make it possible for them to help transform their lives. Lent is a time when many of us choose to give up as a reflection of our faith. What will you give up this Lent? Could you turn biscuits into bicycles this Lent?; Could your fasting help grow food for others this Lent? Could you turn wine into water this Lent? Could you turn magazines into shelter this Lent? Please take an envelope and give generously to this worthwhile cause, THANK YOU.

THIS WEEK 20 th February to 26 th February 2010	
Minister of Holy Communion:	Saturday: Derek Taylor Sunday: Tony Morris
Lector:	Saturday: Maureen Eastman Sunday: Sarah Cornell
Church Cleaning:	Carol Hancock and Pat Martin
NEXT WEEK 27 th and 28 th February 2010	
Minister of Holy Communion:	Saturday: Rosemary Latter Sunday: Fran Billington
Lector:	Saturday: Mary Dignan Sunday: Liz Langley
Church Cleaning:	Sue Ingall and Gill Weedon