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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 6th to 12th March 2010
 Saturday 6th March: Third Sunday of Lent
 Reconciliation 5.00pm
 Mass 5.30pm
 Sunday 7th March: Mass 9.30am
 Wednesday 10th March: Mass 6.30pm

*Next Week's readings: Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21;
 Luke 15: 1-3. 11-32*

Simon's Shoulder; Bear one another's burdens Galatians 6.2: In your Prayers please remember those parishioners and members of our families 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 our clergy who are sick or recuperating from illness, especially Bishop Mervyn Alexander, Canon James O'Brien, Canon Brian McEvoy, Canon Matthew Hayes, Canon Edmund Murphy, Fr Tony Fejer and Fr Mervin Havard-Brown.

May they rest in Peace; Please pray for the soldiers killed in Afghanistan and all who have died recently and Philip Hyland, John Caddon, Juan Maurico, Vincent Kerdula, Terence Bate, Patrick Materson and all whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all rest in peace, Amen.

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.

St. Patrick Night Party: Please join us for what is going to be a fun evening, with excellent live Irish music, on **Saturday 20th March 2010** in St Michael's Hall at **7.30pm**. Only **£5.00** per head which includes a Guinness Stew; refreshments will be available. There'll be a chance to win a bottle of whiskey and other raffle prizes. If you missed our last great social evening - the Race Night - then don't miss this one! Tickets available after both Masses this weekend and next weekend, or from the parish office, or at the door on the night. Donations of raffle prizes would be appreciated - please leave them in the box in the porch.

Reconciliation Service: The sacrament of Reconciliation is a vital part of our Lenten practice as Catholics. Please note that we have a reconciliation rite scheduled for this Sunday at 4pm. Our First Communion candidates will be making their confession at this time as well. Thank you to Fr Peter Craddy and Fr Bill Watson who will be assisting Fr Patrick with hearing Confessions.

Laetare Sunday (Mothering Sunday): Next Sunday we celebrate Mothering Sunday; at the Sunday Mass there will be posies of flowers for the children to present to their Mothers. All are welcome to the celebration in the hall afterwards where there will be pink fairy cakes and coffee.

Taize: The next Taize in Tetbury prayer will be held on Thursday 11th March 2010 in Christchurch at 8.00pm. All welcome.

Memorial to Theresa Baker: A funeral pall has been purchased by Theresa's family as a donation in her memory for St Michaels Church. The Funeral Pall will be Blessed at the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 27th March 2010.

A Future with Fewer Priests: The summary of the responses made by the parishes in the Stroud Deanery to the Future with Fewer Priests paper is now available. If you wish to read a copy, please contact the Parish Office. We believe an open day is being planned by the Dean and confirmation of this should be received shortly.

Fair-trade table: This will be available next weekend; please support this cause.

Gloucester Cathedral: Handel's Messiah Part 2 with meditations by his contemporary John Newton will be performed at the Cathedral on Saturday 13th March 2010 @ 7.00pm. Please see poster in porch for further information.

Paschal Triduum & Easter: As you know there are numerous opportunities to assist with these liturgies which are of course the highlight of our Christian celebrations. We will be asking people soon to help and we do hope that you will be able to accept.

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 27th and 28th February 2010; Collection raised £138;

The collection for CAFOD raised £260; **With Many Thanks**

THIS WEEK 6 TH and 7 TH March 2010	
Minister of Holy Communion:	Saturday: Maureen Eastman Sunday: Julia Hasler
Lector:	Saturday: John Weedon Sunday: Tony Morris
Church Cleaning:	Mary Kitchen and Helen Fathers
NEXT WEEK 13 TH and 14 TH March 2010	
Minister of Holy Communion:	Saturday: Les Holland Sunday: Pam Orr
Lector:	Saturday: Pam Taylor Sunday: Mary Holker
Church Cleaning:	Mary Pollock