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St Philip's is a Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition and is part of the Diocese of Shrewsbury—a Registered Charity (No. 234025)

SATURDAY-FIRST SUNDAY OF	29th February	Genesis 2:7-9.3: 1-7; Psalm 50; Romans 5: 12-19; Matthew 4: 1-11
6.00pm LENT	Maureen TIERNAN (RIP)	
Rite of Election at Cathedral		
MONDAY	2nd March	
9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	Leviticus 19:1-2.11-18; Psalm 18; Matthew 25 31-46
TUESDAY	3rd March	
9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	Isaiah 55: 10-11; Psalm 33; Matthew 6: 7-15
WEDNESDAY- MASS	4th March	
9.15am	Thomas DEWISON (RIP)	Jonah 3:1-10; Psalm 50; Luke 11: 29-32
THURSDAY		
9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	Esther 4: 17: Psalm 137; Matthew 7: 7-12
FRIDAY –FAMILY FAST DAY		
9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	Ezekiel 18:21-28; Psalm 129; Matthew 5: 20-26
Women's World Day of Prayer		

PARISH NEWS

MASS INTENTIONS:-

SATURDAY 7th March Mary ALLEN (RIP)

TODAY:- We welcome back Fr Bernard who will celebrate Mass with us.

LATELY DEAD.... Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Maureen SHOWELL** formerly of this parish who died recently. May she rest in peace. Her funeral will be on **Monday, 9th March at 1.00pm** here at at Philip's.

REMINDER-FRIDAY 6th March Prayer & Reflection before the Blessed Sacrament 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

PASTORAL LETTER..... There are copies of **Bishop Mark's Lenten Pastoral Letter** at the back of church. Please take one home with you and read it when you can.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES..... The new set of **Offertory Envelopes** for the beginning of the new financial year will be available for collection in the porch **NEXT WEEKEND.**

ST PETER'S & ST PHILIP'S REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME..... We are delighted to inform parishioners that we have raised over **£11,000** so far!! Thank you so much for your generosity.. **Project update-Rachel Hughes from Caritas** came to the meeting last week and all Group leaders are going away to complete their first draft of the application form-the deadline for this is the **3rd March** so when we meet again on the **10th March** we should be well on our way.

Yorkshire 3 Peaks....A very fit and committed group of walkers will also be walking **24 miles in 12 hours** at some point over the summer so please watch this space as they will be **looking for sponsorship.**

Volunteer helpers-As we are now starting to consider providing a support network for our family both before and after they arrive, we will be looking for lots of people who will be available to help decorating, DIY, helping to furnish the home, picking the family up to take them to the doctors or dentists, help them to navigate public transport, go to the supermarket and withdraw money from the bank etc; Anyone who will come into regular contact with the family will need to be **DBS checked.** If you think you may be able to help, please contact **Carmel O'Malley on 0161.483.8296** and she will register your interest. This will be a really important part of the project as we aim to make our family feel as welcome as possible as well as make their transition to a new home and culture as smooth as we can.

YEAR OF THE WORD.... If you struggle to read the Bible or you would simply like to engage in listening to Scripture every day, why not try the **Alpha Bible in one year.** You can download the App, listen to it as a podcast or sign up for emails.The Bible in One Year can be accessed by going to www.bibleinoneyear.org or by downloading the **BIOY app** on your **iPhone** or by searching for the **Bible in One year** in your **Podcasts.** You are looking for logo with a red **capital B on a white background.** Each day there is an introduction read by **Nicky Gumbel** and then three short passages, including a **Psalm**, a passage from the **New Testament** and the **Old Testament.** Nicky Gumbel gives a short commentary on each passage and if you are listening to it, it will take about **20-25 minutes. Its not too late to start.**

Bonus Ball No. 17 Roll-over

Last Wks. Collection	
Loose	£58.48
Envelopes	£144.00
Bonus Ball	£
Mass Of-ferings	£10.00
Donation	
Total	£212.48

Anniversaries
*John McCormick
 Bill McGowan
 Eileen Cooke
 Enid Harrison
 Bill Greatrex
 Jo Greatrex
 Margaret Greatrex
 Jack Greatrex
 Derrick Fawley
 Joan Philbin
 Elisabeth Calland
 Charles Joseph O'Toole
 Fr Ivan Burke
 Vincent Costello
 John O'Brien
 John Moran
 Elsie Clara Smith
 Susan Slane
 Raymond McAndrew
 Elsie Frances Walker
 Ellen Christine Cahill*

Anniversaries cntd.
Sick
*Joanne Hobson
 David Gregory
 Kath Roche
 Tony De Giorgio
 David Broster
 Fr Michael
 Christine Connick
 Louvain Lomas
 Sheila Devine
 Vera Henderson
 Oysten Frivold*