



## Saint Joseph's Passionist Church

**30 March 2025: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

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Saturday: Mass 11am; Vigil: 6.30 p.m.

Sun Mass: 9.30, 11 & 12.30; 6.30 pm

Mon-Friday Mass 8:30am

Every Saturday before Mass: Eucharistic

Adoration: 10:30am.

Confession: Saturday: 11.30 – 12.30

& 5 – 6 p.m. or by appointment.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection is for the Lenten Project

**Digital teen:** navigating communication and relationships"- volunteer teens requested- watch out for the poster!

*Faith, Hope and Paris* is back at the bookstall and author Tom Heneghan will gladly autograph it for you. *The Tablet* magazine in London called the book "a hugely entertaining scamp through the history of his own parish church."

Come & Join Organization Task Forces: Please see poster, details from Chris at [c.fitzsimons@orange.fr](mailto:c.fitzsimons@orange.fr) These are to help the Parish as we need new volunteers,

### LENTEN PROJECT: Vietnam and Congo

**In Congo, Goma & Bukavu cities** "many families in our parishes ask for basic food: rice & beans" Our correspondent is Father Louis, Xavierian Priest, who regularly said Mass at St Joseph's in the past year "Since the capture of Kavumu Airport in South Kivu by M23 rebels and Rwandan army, the entire province has plunged into a torpor that revives past wounds. The fall of the city of Bukavu into the hands of the rebel group "M23" and the "Congo River Alliance", Sunday, February 16, 2025, marks the beginning of a long night of uncertainty and suffering"



**In Vietnam:** building a Passionist centre:

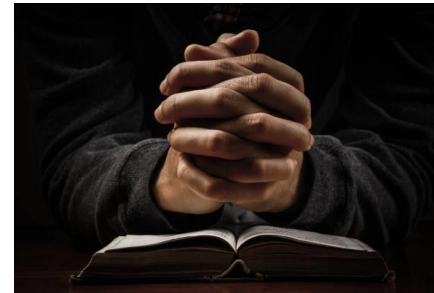
Our correspondent is Fr JB Trinh C.P.

In particular, 3 priests have been moving out into remote areas of Vietnam to establish a new community in the Diocese of Vinh, central Vietnam.



**NB: Tax receipts:** donations from website with email to [stjosephparis@orange.fr](mailto:stjosephparis@orange.fr) or cheque to "St Joseph ADP", are 66% tax refundable. \$ to "St Joseph's church" receipts are available.

## PRAYING DURING LENT

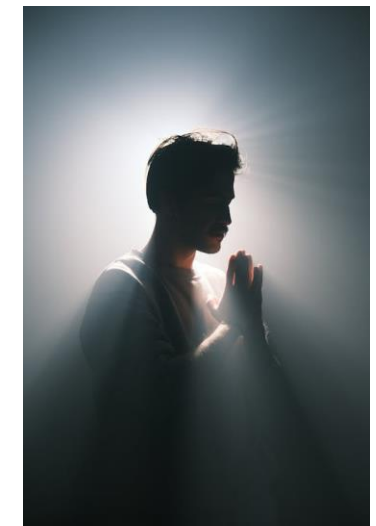


As a young man, St. Augustine was searching for a happiness he could not find. His heart was unsettled as he longed for something that seemed always just out of his reach. He studied the philosophers but remained unsatisfied. Then, suddenly, he discovered that what he was looking for was already residing within him. "Lord, I was looking for You out there while all the time You were here within me."

True prayer happens when we discover that God is always with us, and that we are already living in intimate union with God. Now at last we can relax as we realise that we do not have to make a huge effort, climb a high mountain, go on a difficult pilgrimage, do lots of severe penances to encounter the living God. God has made it easy for us by coming so close to us that He is really and truly dwelling within us through his Holy Spirit.

If we want to pray then we can unite ourselves to the prayer that is rising up from within our hearts every moment of every day. St. Paul tells us that the Holy Spirit is uttering a constant prayer on our behalf. When we don't have the words to pray or have no feeling for prayer, the Spirit is uttering a prayer for us and crying out, "Abba Father".

A very strong prayer is to unite ourselves with the prayer of the Spirit rising up from deep within our hearts. We can do this with or without words.



Spring CHANGE of TIME: Sunday 30 March at 3am, clocks will go 1h forward!

**CCD Confirmation RETREAT with** Monseigneur Eric Aumonier: Sat 5 April 10am to 12:30pm; attendance is a MUST! Confirmands must also attend Friday Mass & Stations at 7:30pm on 11 APRIL

PLEASE NOTE: There is **NO CCD on Palm Sunday 13 April**, premises being too crowded, CCD resumes 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> May

**Non Violent communication skills with Fabienne Ramirez** : Sat 12 April 1:30pm welcoming; talk 2pm-5pm: 'Empathetic listening: what is happening to the other person?' Younger parishioners encouraged to attend and parents/ teens".

**TRIP to PARAY LE MONIAL & Sancerre:** Easter Monday 21 April, Bus 7:00am from St Joseph's. Fare €100 by 6 April. Please Call Venci: 0142272856 or 0698689530

YA Mass: Sat 29 March 6:30pm  
Bible Study: April 2 at 10:30am  
RCIA Thursday 3 April 8pm  
Baptism prep 11am 5 April  
Feed the Homeless 11:30am 5 April

**Collection 23 March:** €2956,47; CC: €531 coffee: 64.98; ADP: 230, shrines: 241,13; bookstall €25. Many Thanks! **Lenten Project has a Total update** of €9353.05 (23March: cash €1334.25+CC €160 +ADP:150)