



LENT
2020

ON THE WAY

**DONCASTER
CHURCH OF CHRIST**

A guide for reading
and praying in the
lead up to Easter



ON THE WAY

During the 40 days of Lent each year, we can take time to draw closer to God, our Father, to re-commit to Jesus, our King, and to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives.

Prayer and fasting are traditional ways in which each of us can creatively shape this time of preparation and re-dedication before Easter.

LENT 2020: ON THE WAY

Over the season of Lent this year, we have the opportunity to experience a journey with Jesus. This is a series out of the book of Mark, from which all Sunday readings are taken. Throughout our readings, we will see the phrase “on the way” used repeatedly. Jesus is on the journey and the disciples are following. As we read about this journey, Mark is inviting us to follow also as today’s disciples.

We pray that this journey will lead us closer to our loving God, closer to our true selves as children of God, and closer to each other. As we travel towards Easter together, we are encouraged by God’s promise that His transforming Spirit is continually at work in our hearts, minds and souls.

A simple four-step routine can help us to listen to what God stirs in us as we read his word.

These are the four steps of the **SOAP** method of prayerfully reading Scripture. They can be very helpful for journaling, too. Give it a go!

- S** – Scripture: Which verse seems to stand out for me and grabs my attention?
- O** – Observation: What exactly makes this verse special? Is there a key word that interests you? Does the sentence seem to summarize things? Is it a surprise, a mystery...?
- A** – Application: “So what now?” What am I being encouraged to do? How can I apply the insight I have gained?
- P** – Prayer: Finish with a prayer – giving thanks, seeking for God’s guidance, asking God’s help or forgiveness...

We are all encouraged to share our journey and to encourage one another on the way. If you have any questions or would like specific support in your personal journey, your leaders are there for you!

May our journey together lead us deeper into generous love, joyful faith and compassionate unity!

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WHO IS JESUS?

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	1 March	Mark 8:27-38
Monday	2 March	Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7
Tuesday	3 March	Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Wednesday	4 March	Job 38:1-15
Thursday	5 March	Colossians 3:1-17
Friday	6 March	Matthew 16:24-28
Saturday	7 March	Mark 2:13-17

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CALLED TO SERVE

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	8 March	Mark 9:30-37
Monday	9 March	Jeremiah 5:20-25
Tuesday	10 March	Genesis 11:1-9
Wednesday	11 March	Genesis 17:1-7
Thursday	12 March	Deuteronomy 5:1-21
Friday	13 March	Ezekiel 37:24-28
Saturday	14 March	Ephesians 4:1-6

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THE GRACE PARADIGM

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	15 March	Mark 10:13-16
Monday	16 March	1 Peter 2:4-10
Tuesday	17 March	2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Wednesday	18 March	Matthew 5:1-11
Thursday	19 March	Mark 11:24-25
Friday	20 March	Luke 10:25-37
Saturday	21 March	Revelation 21:1-7

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INHERITING ETERNAL LIFE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	22 March	Mark 10:17-31
Monday	23 March	Mark 12:41-44
Tuesday	24 March	Ephesians 2:1-10
Wednesday	25 March	Romans 8:1-4, 38-39
Thursday	26 March	Acts 8:26-40
Friday	27 March	Luke 23:39-43
Saturday	28 March	John 3:16-17

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REDEFINING GREAT

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	29 March	Mark 10:32-45
Monday	30 March	Philippians 2:5-11
Tuesday	31 March	Matthew 5:21-32
Wednesday	1 April	Matthew 5:33-48
Thursday	2 April	Matthew 6:1-15
Friday	3 April	Micah 6:6-8
Saturday	4 April	Galatians 5:22-26

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THE MESSIAH COMES

SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT	5 April	Mark 11:1-11
Monday	6 April	Psalm 51
Tuesday	7 April	Isaiah 48:9-13
Wednesday	8 April	Matthew 7:7-14
Maundy Thursday	9 April	Mark 14:12-25, John 13:1-17
Good Friday	10 April	Mark 15:33-47
Easter Saturday	11 April	Psalm 27

THE RESURRECTION

EASTER SUNDAY	12 April	Mark 16:1-8
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