

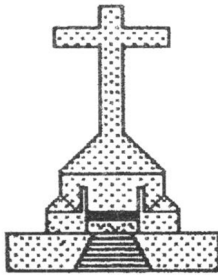
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To spread the messages of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus,
given through the visionaries in Medjugorje.

PRAYER, FASTING

HOLY-SCRIPTURE, CONFESSION

EUCCHARIST

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

PRAY FOR US

MEDJUGORJE AFTERNOON OF PRAYER

led by Fr. Martin Morris

Change
To 3rd
Sunday

**3rd Sunday of the month
4pm**

*Revised date * 16th March 2025*

*Cancelled * 20th April 2025*

*Resumes * 18th May 2025*

NOTE: Change of Church

Our Blessed Lady Immaculate
Village Lane,
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**Parish Lenten Mission 2025
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Sr Briega and Fr. Pablo have many years experience of worldwide retreats and missions.

***See page 13 and 14
for information and Program***

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATION

2.30pm 27th April 2025

Led by Fr. Martin Morris



Litany and Rosary,
divine mercy Prayers.

All welcome.

St Bede

New Road, Coach Road Estate
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OUR LADY'S MESSAGE—To the World

Given 25th February 2025 to Marija Pavlovic



“Dear children! may this springtime be an encouragement for personal conversion for you, that with your lives you may pray and love God above all, for all those who are in need. Little children, be my hands of peace and prayer; be love for all those who do not love, do not pray and do not want peace. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

(With Ecclesiastical approval)

Reflection by Fr. Martin Morris

Spiritual Director of Medjugorje Centre NE

Dear Brother's and Sister's of Medjugorje North East and beyond, We have entered the Holy season of Lent. The Word '**Lent**' originates from an old English phrase meaning '**springtime.**' Applied to the Liturgical season of the Church it means '**Springtime of the soul.**' As we do spring cleaning at home, to clean the house, and de-clutter, so too in our spiritual lives we need a 'de-cluttering of the soul.'

So Our Lady begins this month's message, "**May this springtime be an encouragement for personal conversion for you, that with your lives you may pray and love God above all, for all those in need.**"

As we see the signs of spring in nature all around us, so Our Lady encourages us to cultivate a new season in our inner selves for the new growth of Gods life within us. It is our 'personal Conversion' that our Lady wants to encourage us in. Notice Our Lady says, '**You**' and

'Yours.' i.e. '**Personal conversion for you**' and '**that with your lives .**' The emphasis is on each of ourselves, to work on our Conversion. Our Lady is interested in each of us personally, and the whole of our lives, and like a good Mother she comes to us to encourage us in following her Son today.

Our Lady asks that "**With your lives you may pray and love God above all.**" To pray and to love, this is the simple advice from our Heavenly Mother who walked the same path of prayer and love when she was on this earth. A good Lent is one where we pray more and love more. By placing God at the centre of our lives, we decide each day for him who is love. We can take the five stones of Our Lady, which she gave at the start of the apparitions, and recommit ourselves to the prayer she recommended. i.e. Holy Mass, holy rosary, Holy Scripture, Confession and Fasting.

Let us remember that our Lady is reminding us that we have to decide for our personal conversion.

“Little children, be my hands of peace and prayer, be love for all those who do not love, do not pray, and do not want peace.”

Our prayer and love for Our Lady should always lead to imitation of her. Imitation of her Faith, her prayer and love. Each of us are called to be other Mary’s and Magnify God with our lives. To be the hands of Our Lady, means to imitate her, and be a reflection of her love for Jesus today.

Mary, points out that many today, do not love, do not pray, and do not want peace. We are not to judge, but only to pray, love and be peacemakers in our own situation today. As Our Lady’s dear children, let each of us this Lent, be her extended hands, by choosing, Love, Prayer, and Peace.

Blessed are the Peacemakers,
Fr. Martin.

Pray, fast and confess regularly. If receiving my Son in the Eucharist is the centre of your life, then do not be afraid, you can do everything.

June 2, 2012

THE ‘FIVE STONES’ OF MEDJUGORJE

1. **PRAYER,**
2. **FASTING** (Wednesday & Friday)
3. **HOLY SCRIPTURE.** (daily reading)
4. **CONFESSION,** monthly at least.
5. **EUCCHARIST,** Frequent celebration

Let us pray with the Holy Father:

Prayer Intention for MARCH 2025

‘For families in crisis’



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Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences .

”

Pope Francis

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis



- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words; be silent and listen

Prayer for the health of Pope Francis

Loving and Merciful God,
We come before You in prayer,
lifting up Your servant, Pope
Francis, in his time of need. You are
the Source of all healing, and we ask
You to surround him with Your
loving presence, granting him
strength and recovery. May Your
divine grace rest upon him, restoring
his health and filling him with
renewed vigor to continue leading
Your Church with compassion and
wisdom.

**“But I will restore you to health
and heal your wounds, declares the
Lord.” (Jeremiah 30:17)**

We place Pope Francis into Your
hands, trusting in Your eternal care.
May he be comforted by the love of
the Church and the prayers of all the
faithful. We ask, through the
intercession of the Blessed Virgin
Mary, that his recovery be swift, and
his spirit be strengthened in Your
peace. May Your will be done in his
life, O Lord, and may Your healing
power be with him always.
We offer this prayer in the name of
Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives
and reigns with You in the unity of
the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Credit: Caritas Jerusalem



REPORT FROM SISTER EMMANUEL
of The Community of The Beatitudes
www.sremmanuel.org

Medjugorje, February 17, 2025

Dear Friends, praise be to Jesus and Mary!

1. Above all, don't ignore them! Our lives are so focused on material things that we **often forget the most beautiful treasures that Heaven makes available to us** at every moment of our lives. I would like to thank my parents for telling me about the guardian angels when I was a child, as this enabled me to make friends with my own. The fact that I am still alive today is thanks to some of my Angel's swift and effective interventions in life-threatening situations. These faithful and truly loving companions whom the Creator has placed at our side from the moment of our conception will never leave us (unless, of course, we go to hell!). **They have within them the very love God has for us**, which is why they so earnestly desire our happiness and eternal salvation.

At the beginning of the apparitions, Our Lady had asked the members of the prayer group to **"make friends with their guardian angels"** and write them a letter. This surprised them at the time, but thanks to this simple initial contact, and trusting in Our Lady's request, they were happy to discover the hidden potential of their life companions. The following evening, these letters were laid before the statue of the Blessed Mother ahead of the apparition.



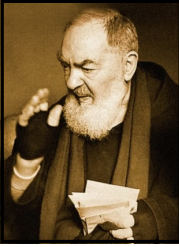
Why not do the same? We have so much to gain from this! And once the letter is written, where do we put it? That is up to each of us to decide: either keep it with us for a while, then burn it, or place it behind an icon of Mary, Queen of Angels.

Pope John XXIII gave many examples of how he instructed his guardian angel to work for him, and the benefits he derived from it. **He would send his Angel ahead of him** before difficult meetings, to prepare the groundwork. Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina is also known for his extraordinary relationship with his guardian angel. I want to recount here a surprising episode that may shed some light on the effectiveness of our guardian angels and, hopefully, inspire us to "make friends" with them.

2. A sleepless night for Padre Pio!

Padre Pio of Pietrelcina (1887-1968) would often show deep tenderness towards people, but his well-known gruffness sometimes made him very direct when he wanted to express – for good reason – his discontent.

In southern Italy, some priests used to travel to San Giovanni Rotondo with their parishioners to meet with Padre Pio. They would travel by bus, often through the night, to attend his early morning Mass in the small church of Santa Maria Delle Grazie, which was always packed to capacity. Several of these parishioners were his spiritual sons and daughters, who were eager to greet him.



During one of these trips, the priest leading the pilgrimage carefully prepared the group for this meeting. Above all, he advised them to take advantage of the journey to pray, even if it meant spending the night in prayer. **Some were in the habit of sending the Padre their guardian angels** to entrust him with their petitions, intentions and everything that was in their hearts: their needs, their desires, their sufferings, their hopes, their questions... in a word, they deposited in the heart of this holy priest everything they would say to him if they were to meet him in person, confident that, during Mass, he would deposit it all in the heart of Jesus. "You have enough time on this journey to speak with your guardian angel!", the priest would tell them. Indeed, no one knew in advance what the situation would be in that church upon their arrival, whether it was possible to greet the Padre or not, as there was always a long queue

waiting for him in front of the church. That day, when Padre Pio arrived, the whole group shouted "Padre Pio! Padre Pio!!!" But he turned to them, shouting, **"Shut up! Basta [enough]! I couldn't sleep all night because of you, who constantly sent me your guardian angels!** Do you think they're like you, that they don't obey? I couldn't sleep all night because of your angels! Now shut up! When you give your guardian angel a mission, you can be 100 percent sure that he will listen to you and assist you spiritually." With that, he blessed them and left to celebrate Mass.

Padre Pio was closely "connected" to his guardian angel, and even gave him a name: *Angelino or even Segnorino*. This beautiful relationship was passed on to his spiritual sons and daughters. As they often lived far away from him, **this communication with their guardian angels was an excellent spiritual means for Padre Pio to reach them** ; in fact, he could see their guardian angels clearly, and could therefore offer direction to his spiritual sons at a distance through them.

Today, let's not wait to meet a new Padre Pio to live and act in harmony with our guardian angels! **They want to help us so much, and they are so powerful when it comes to protecting us!**

3. Releasing a priest from Purgatory?

Last month, for the Jubilee Year, among the possible works of Mercy, I suggested that we all have at least one Mass celebrated (or one a

month, for example?) for the release of a priest from Purgatory. This priest being delivered, will be inspired to powerfully help his fellow priests on earth, those who have strayed on the path towards sin, a path of spiritual death, so that they may turn back with all their heart to Christ and His Word, without delay. From the comments I have received, **I'm glad to see that many have committed themselves to answering this call. Glory be to God!**

You can ask any priest in your parish, or a priest you know, **to celebrate a Mass for the soul of a priest in Purgatory.** Alternatively, if you do not have the financial means to pay a donation for a Mass, you can offer a Mass that you attend yourself for this intention. When the priest adds the little drop of water to the wine in the Chalice, offer it for a priest to be released from purgatory. I suggest you ask the Blessed Mother to choose this priestly soul for you.

This gesture of Mercy will have great repercussions in the invisible world. Jesus will be greatly consoled and You will never regret it!

Dearest Gospa, we greet you, Queen of the Saints and the Angels, who never cease to teach us about Heaven and its many treasures! Please forgive our distractions, when we get dangerously caught up in earthly, passing things! Why should we miss out on the spiritual world offered by God, which prepares us for an eternity of happiness?!

Sister Emmanuel,
Community of the Beatitudes

Holy Door St. James Medjugorje

Dear Friends, praise be to Jesus and Mary!

Wonderful news has come to us from Pope Francis and the Vatican!

We have been hoping and waiting for it with great anticipation, and finally, on February 20th, it came to us!

On the occasion of the jubilee year: **The door of the parish church of St. James, that so many of you know, has been declared a Holy Door!**

Please read with attention the decree on the plenary indulgence for the parish of Medjugorje received with gratitude yesterday, on the Feast of the shepherds of Fatima, Saints Francisco and Jacinta:



Sr. Emmanuel

DECREE

THE APOSTOLIC PENITENTIARY, with the purpose of increasing the piety of the faithful and the salvation of souls, by virtue of the faculties bestowed upon him in a most special way by our Most Holy Father in Christ Our Lord, POPE FRANCIS, BY DIVINE PROVIDENCE, attentively considering the

recent petitions presented by His Excellency ALDO CAVALLI, Titular Archbishop of Vibo, Apostolic Visitor for the Parish of Saint James the Apostle in Medjugorje, of the Diocese of Mostar-Duvno, graciously grants a **PLENARY INDULGENCE** from the treasury of the Church's heavenly mercy, under the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff), to the faithful who are truly penitent and moved by charity, which they can obtain throughout the Ordinary JUBILEE YEAR OF 2025, and which they can also use as a prayer for the souls of the faithful in purgatory if they make a pilgrimage to the **PARISH CHURCH OF ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE IN MEDJUGORJE** and devoutly participate in the Jubilee rites there or at least dedicate appropriate time to pious prayers, including the Lord's Prayer, the Creed and the invocations of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The elderly, the infirm, and all those who for serious reasons cannot leave their homes, can likewise obtain the Plenary Indulgence, having conceived the intention of detachment from any sin and with the intention of fulfilling, as soon as they are able, the three usual conditions, if they spiritually unite themselves to the jubilee celebrations, offering their prayers, sufferings, or the inconveniences of their own lives to the merciful God.

Therefore, to facilitate access to divine forgiveness through the keys of the Church out of pastoral charity, this Penitentiary earnestly requests that priests endowed with appropriate

faculties to hear confessions make themselves available with a prompt, generous, and merciful spirit for the celebration of Penance.

This decree is valid throughout the Ordinary Jubilee Year of 2025. No contrary provisions shall hinder its execution.

Given in Rome, at the Apostolic Penitentiary, on the 24th day of December, in the year of the Incarnation of the Lord 2024.

Angelo Cardinal de Donatis
Major Penitentiary

Krzysztof Józef Nykiel
Titular Bishop of Velli, Regent



2025 Jubilee Year
'Pilgrims of Hope'

The Holy Father
has declared 2025
to be a Jubilee Year
with the motto and theme

"Pilgrims of Hope."

The Holy Father has decreed that the **Holy Doors are opened on Sunday 29th December.**

The Holy Doors will be closed on 6th January 2026.

Mary's Meals Founder Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow Invited to Vatican

We're delighted to announce that Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow has been invited to the Vatican to participate in the 1st World Leaders Summit on Children's Rights on Monday 3 February, hosted by Pope Francis.

The founder of Mary's Meals will spend the day discussing a child's right to education, healthcare, food, nutrition and play, alongside a select group of world and humanitarian leaders, among which Rania al-Abdullah, Queen of Jordan; Cyril Ramaphosa, President of South Africa; Muhammad Yunus, Nobel Peace Prize; Rabbi David Rosen; Megawati Sukarnoputri, former President of Indonesia; Sheikha Moza Bint Nasser, Chairperson of Qatar Foundations for Education; former US Vicepresident Al Gore; as well as the First Lady of Ukraine, Olena Zelenska. Also others like Ahmed Naser Al-Raisi, President of INTERPOL; Thomas Bach, President of International Olympic Committee, and Gianni Infantino, President of FIFA.

Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow has been recognised for his humanitarian work, being named a CNN Hero and one of TIME magazine's 100 most influential people in the world, as well as receiving an OBE for his services to education. In October 2023, Mary's Meals was awarded the

prestigious Princess de Asturias Award for Concorde.

This summit is part of a broader effort by The Vatican to prioritise children's rights and welfare and will bring together experts and guests from around the world to discuss ways of collaborating to help protect children who live in precarious conditions, are exploited, abused, or suffer the dramatic consequences of war. Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow's speech will be about "The Child's Right to Food, Nutrition and Healthcare".



'I am humbled and delighted to be asked to share the experience of Mary's Meals at this important meeting hosted by the Holy Father. The success of Mary's Meals is rooted in the extraordinary kindness of people around the world who ignited this global movement which has become of interest to world leaders. I will try my best to share our vision and to be the voice of the children we serve - like those I met in Malawi just last week', said Magnus.

Mary's Meals began feeding around 200 schoolchildren in Malawi more than 20 years ago. Today, it has grown into a global movement that provides vital meals to more than 2.4 million children every day at school in some of the world's poorest communities.

Spiritual Retreat for Married Couples in Medjugorje (2025)

The 24th International Spiritual Retreat for Married Couples in Medjugorje began with the registration of participants on Wednesday, February 5, and the evening Holy Mass was celebrated by Fr. Jure Barišić with the concelebration of 13 priests.

At the beginning of the Holy Mass, the parish vicar of Medjugorje, Fr. Jure Barišić, who is also the lecturer at this spiritual retreat, greeted the participants of this spiritual retreat - about fifty married couples from 15 countries.

In his homily, Fr. Jure referred to the Gospel passage in which Jesus came to his homeland where they were offended by him, and he spoke about how often we reject certain people and make fun of them, which is also described in today's Gospel.

"The people of Nazareth certainly knew who Jesus was. They grew up with him. They did not want to accept him. They ridiculed him, and by mentioning his origin and his family, they wanted to humiliate him in a way. They heard that he performed miracles, they heard that he healed, they heard that others accepted him as the Messiah, but his Nazarenes did not want to accept him as the Messiah and Jesus said: 'A prophet is not without honor except in his own homeland'. We should look for the reason in human pride. The Nazarenes were proud people. If it had been someone else from Bethlehem, from Capernaum, from any other place that they did not know, they might have more easily said that he was the Messiah, but pride did not allow them to admit that Jesus was the Messiah",



said Fr. Jure Barišić, adding that things are repeated today because pride often prevents us from admitting that Jesus is the King, the Lord of our lives, the Messiah, and that it would be easier to acknowledge Jesus' humanity than that he was the Messiah, and he then explained why this is so.

"The encounter with Jesus changes us. Accepting Jesus as the Messiah, the Savior means changing our lives, looking at man and his needs differently. They were not ready for

that. The same thing happens to us. We too, because of our pride, do not want to accept Jesus because we should change," said Fr. Jure, emphasizing how pride leads to arrogance and only distances us from the Church and Christ, and in the end he called on us not to allow our pride to destroy us. "Every day when we celebrate Mass, Jesus comes to his homeland. This church is his homeland, we are his Nazarenes. It is up to us whether we will recognize him as the Savior, whether we will recognize him as the Messiah, or will we, because of our pride, go away so that Jesus will be surprised at our unbelief? Let us recognize him as the Messiah. Let us recognize him as the Savior. Let us allow the word of God that we listen to touch us, let the body that we partake change us. It will change our hearts and in our daily lives we will be like Christ, we will see others with the eyes of Christ, then we will not create prejudices about people, but we will accept people and see in them the image of God, said Fr. Jure Barišić.

The theme of the spiritual renewal for married couples, like all other spiritual renewals in Medjugorje this year, is **“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”** (Ps 122:1), and it continues with prayer, lectures, adoration before

the Most Holy and evening prayer programs. In addition to lectures, prayers and participation in masses, participants in this spiritual renewal will also pray on Mount Cross and the Apparition Hill...

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Feast Day 11th February

Throughout the shrines of the world Our Lady’s message is the same, from Lourdes 1858 to Medjugorje 1981 until Present

Our Lady’s message of Love is for mankind to turn back to God

For Catholics, Lourdes is one of the world’s beloved Shrine. Nestled in a valley in the south-western part of the

Hautes-Pyrenees France. it is the scene of pilgrims gathering from all over the world.

On February 11, 1858, the Virgin revealed herself to a poor shepherd girl, Bernadette Soubirous born January 7, 1844. Eighteen such apparitions were reported.

At the Grotto of Massabielle the Virgin Mary appeared 18 times to Bernadette between February 11 and July 16, 1858.

She asked for a chapel to be built on the site of the apparitions and when asked who she was, she replied: *“I am the Immaculate Conception.”*

Our Lady asked Bernadette to wash her face at the fountain but there was no fountain, *‘Go and drink at the spring and wash there’* so Bernadette dug a hole in the ground, and with muddy water washed her face while

people ridiculed her, however from there sprang the famous fountain of water that has healing attributes. Many sick people have bathed themselves in that water and there have been at least 64 reported miraculous healings.

At the back of the Grotto, is the Miraculous Spring that spouted on February 25, 1858,

during the ninth apparition. The water from this spring is collected in several reservoirs, from which you can drink.

Millions of people from all over the world go to Lourdes in the hope of obtaining help from the generous Mother of God.

Bernadette became a nun. She died in 1879 aged 35. She was beatified in 1925 and Canonized in 1933. Her body remains incorrupt.



“
*I am
 The Immaculate
 Conception*
 Our Lady of Lourdes
 ”

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK

11th February

Tuesday 11th February is World Day of Prayer for the Sick. It is also the **Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**.



Pray for the sick in the World

One of the most touching scenes on a pilgrimage to Lourdes is to witness the Blessing of the Sick in Rosary Square, which takes place each afternoon. As the Priest carries the Blessed Sacrament and Blesses the sick pilgrims, you can sense the deep peace and calmness of the presence of Jesus, caring and ministering to his people still today. Many people have told me how they experienced the 'healing of hearts and souls' when they were present at this beautiful ceremony. Such is the healing power of that holy place.

The celebration of World Day of Prayer for the Sick on 11 February is an opportunity to devote special attention to the sick, and to those who care for them, in hospitals, hospices, residential care or at home. This day is a time to pray for them, and express our closeness to them in assuring the sick in our own Parish of Christ's loving concern for them.

The experience of sickness makes us realise our own vulnerability and our own innate need of others. It makes

us feel all the more clearly of our own dependence on God, and how much we are in his hands. Sickness raises some very deep questions for us, about life's meaning, and the role of Faith. It brings us starkly before the image of the Crucified Lord, and the invitation to share in Redemptive Suffering through our Lord's own Cross, believing that his Resurrection is the ultimate promise. I remember a certain Priest, elderly and frail, who just before I was ordained to the Priesthood asked me if I wanted to be Holy? The question rather surprised me! "To be Holy," he said, "then be close to the sick and the dying." After all didn't Our Lord say "When I was sick you visited me." (Matthew: 25:36) It is Christ himself we touch and minister to.

To all in our parish's who visit the sick and housebound, whether as Ministers of Holy Communion, SVP members, or those who just 'pop in' for a friendly visit. Thank you. It is the Lord's work, and it is so important today.

To Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes, let us pray for all the sick and housebound, and for all healthcare workers. From the Grotto in Lourdes, may she sustain our Faith and Hope and help us care for one another as she cared for her Son.

Fr Martin Morris

Parishes of St John XX111 Washington & St Joseph Birtley

Parish Lenten Mission 2025

15th—19th March

Led by

Sr Brieghe McKenna (OSC)

and

Fr. Pablo Escriva De Romani

Fr Martin Morris, Fr Martin Wheaton & Fr Luke Wilkinson have the privileged to welcome Sr Brieghe McKenna & Fr Pablo Escriva de Romani to our Parishes. They are known for their ministries in spiritual and physical healing and their dedication to renewing Faith among Catholics

Do not miss this amazing opportunity to experience healing and renewal of Faith.



Sr Brieghe Mckenna O.S.C was born in Ireland, at the age of 15 she joined the Sisters of St Clare. Brieghe suffered from Rheumatoid Arthritis for over 3 years, once she had taken her Final Vows, she left Ireland and transferred to Tampa Florida with her community, with hopes that the Florida Sunshine would help to relieve some of her suffering.

Aged 24 she was miraculously and instantaneously healed during a celebration of the Eucharist.

Later while in prayer, she received the gift of healing, for which she is now globally known.

In 1974 during prayer, she was given a deep spiritual insight into the mystery of call to Priesthood, thereafter Bishops and Priests across the world have invited her to speak at conferences and retreats.

Fr Pablo Escriva de Romani is a Priest from Madrid who is also working as a Missionary in Limon Costa Rica. Together with Sr Brieghe he works around the world invoking the power of the Holy Spirit and Healing.

After her own healing, the Lord led Sr. Brieghe into the ministry of healing.

In prayer he told her, “You have my gift of healing, go now and use it”

It was because of this Sr. Brieghe began to pray with people whom the lord in his love and mercy has healed many types of sickness.

Sr. Brieghe insists “I am not the one who heals, it is Jesue alone who heals us”

Sr. Brieghe refers to the Gospel (Mark 10 V 46-52) encounter between the Blindman Bartimaeus and Jesus. - Jesus heals Bartimaeus because of his faith.

The question Jesus asked all of us, “What do you want me to do for you?”

with Faith we should answer “Lord I want to be healed”

Fr Martin invites you to Pray

Sr Briega & Fr Pablo will address the Parish congregations during Mass prior to Mission starting Monday 17th .

**Overall Theme is
'Eucharistic Healing'**

Saturday 15th March

Vigil Mass at St Bede's—5pm

Sunday 16th March

Mass at St John Boste - 9.30am

Mass at Our Blessed Lady

Immaculate – 11.00am

Mission Itinerary

Monday 17th March (Reconciliation)

St Patrick's Day –

Mass and Mission Talk - **Our Lady Queen of Peace -10.00am**

Evening Mass Mission Talk &

Service of Reconciliation –

St Bede's - 7pm

Tuesday 18th March (Prayer and the Power of the Holy Spirit)

Mass and Mission Talk - **Our Blessed Lady Immaculate -10.00am**

Evening Mass & Mission Talk –

St Bede's—7pm

Wednesday 19th March The Eucharist

(The Source and Summit of our Faith)

Feast of St Joseph –

Mass and Mission Talk - **St Josephs - 10.00am**

Evening Mass Mission Talk &

Eucharistic Healing – **St John**

Boste—7pm

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