

The Word of the Lord

1 Corinthians 13 : 1– 13

Many times have we heard this verse which is a not only a particular favourite at weddings, but the three principles on which we declare ourselves to be Christ's disciples: *"Meanwhile these three remain: faith, hope, and love; and the greatest of these is love."*

How much faith, hope and love must Mary have shown in and to God, to put her trust in the message of the angel that she was to be the Mother of Our Lord?

As the season of Lent approaches, we are asked to consider how well we are witnessing to Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. What can we do during Lent to demonstrate our love of God, who sent his Son, Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary, to die for our sins in the most selfless act of love.



Our Lady of Kenton

The dedication of our Parish Church to Saint Mary the Virgin is well documented in *The History of St Mary's* (published in 2011). The Mission Church of Saint Leonard had been built in 1927; but when the current building was completed in 1936, much of the funding for the building work had been the result of the sale of the Church of St Mary the Virgin in Charing Cross Road, which had been demolished in 1934; and a condition of this funding was that the new permanent church was to be re-dedicated to St Mary the Virgin.

St Leonard, of course, is still our Secondary Patron and it is fitting that an altar dedicated to St Leonard was built in the new church. The statue of Our Lady of Kenton (above), given by Randi and Winslow Maloney, was dedicated by Bishop Jonathan Baker on The Feast of the Epiphany, 6th January 2013.

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Welcome to our celebration today

3rd February 2013

4th Sunday in OT - 2nd before Lent

Mary, Mother of God

There are many different titles that have been given to Our Lady at different times throughout history and when she is referred to in Scripture. Here is but a selection of some of the most popular:



Mother of God	Vessel of Honour
Queen of Heaven	Seat of Wisdom
Star of the Sea	Tower of David
Ark of The Covenant	Virgin of Virgins
Mother of the Church	Treasure of Immortality
Advocate of Sinners	Adam's Deliverance
Bride of Christ	Advocate of Eve
Queen of Peace	Mother of All Sorrows
Queen of the Angels	Virgin Most Pure
Virgin Most Prudent	Vessel of The Spirit

The Immaculate Conception and, of course, Our Lady of Lourdes, Fatima, Walsingham and other shrine locations where She has appeared in visions over the past 2000 years.

Hail, Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
to thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.

Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us;
and after this our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

✠ Pray for us O holy Mother of God,
✠ that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.