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Welcome to the February 2007 issue of Magna.

This edition presents a lot of ideas and suggestions for the six weeks of Lent. Lent used to be taken very seriously in the old days, then fell into a decline and almost became something to laugh at. Then Ramadan came to the public attention in our cities and towns, and in the face of just how seriously Muslims take their month of fasting, Lent suddenly became a more promising prospect.

Please look carefully at Lent and respond with as much seriousness this year.

One of the aspects of Holy Cross Lent is our Lent Lunch series. We plan to visit the terrific Neasden Hindu temple during this period, so make sure you are on the trip!

We continue our 12 month series on the Ten Commandments. If you wish to join in the discussion, email Neil Richardson with your views.

We will be renewing the church Electoral Roll during this coming few weeks, so please ensure that your name and details are on the roll. Beth Morris is the Electoral Roll officer.

All this is meshed in with a month long Stewardship programme which will hopefully draw Holy Cross people together and make a difference to our fellowship as a Christian community.

As well as news from Edward Betham School and news from Zimbabwe, we have lots of pictures which we hope you will enjoy. The deadline for the March issue is Sunday 18th February and contributions may be sent by e-mail, placed in the Magna pigeon hole in the New Church, or handed to a member of the editorial committee

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