



EASTER CARDS are on sale in the repository. Please ask the welcomers for help if needed.

SAFEGUARDING

Please accompany your child(ren) to the toilet if they need it whilst in the Church.

SILENCE!

PLEASE keep **SILENCE** before Mass especially during the Rosary on Saturday evenings. People may be trying to pray and listen to God.

CONFESSIONS

Father Paul is available for confession:
Saturdays 5-5.30pm.
Tuesdays during adoration after 6.30pm Mass.
Thursdays during adoration after 9.15am Mass.

OFFICE EMAILS

Please be aware that emails sent over the weekend or on a Monday will not be seen until the Tuesday. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you require a notice to appear in the newsletter – the deadline is on **Wednesdays.**

COLLECTION PLATE

22nd & 23rd March 2025

Envelopes & Loose Plate - £589.09
February Standing Orders - £2,730.57

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Praise and Worship will take place at **7pm on Wednesday 11th June 2025.**

DIVINE MERCY

Divine Mercy will take place at **8pm on Wednesday 16th April 2025.** Please use the side door.

GIFT AID ORGANISER

Our Gift Aid organiser is Greg Carvalho. His contact is: greg@god.co.uk or on 261302.

MEDITATION GROUP

WCCM Meditation Group meets online at 8pm on Mondays. Please contact Val directly on 07887785502 or email her on valhilsley@btinternet.com

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Our next Stations of the Cross will be at 7pm in the Church on Friday 4th April. There will be Stations every Friday and they will continue until Friday 11th April.



HAPPY MOTHERING SUNDAY

to all our ladies of the Parish. May our Lord continue to bless them.



JIM FEENEY RIP

Jim Feeney will be received into church on Tuesday 8th April at 5pm and his Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 9th April at 11am followed by a cremation. May he rest in eternal peace.



EASTER LILIES

The cards for our Easter lilies are at the welcomer's desk. Please write your card for your deceased loved ones and place in the basket in front of the tabernacle. Any donations to cover the cost of the lilies will be gratefully received.



OSE'S 10K MARATHON

Ose would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who donated to his charity last weekend. It's not too late to support him even though he ran his Marathon on Saturday 22nd. Below is the QR code to make a donation.



CAFOD PLEA

Following the Prime Minister's announcement that the foreign aid budget is to be cut again to pay for the increase in the defence budget, CAFOD is asking us to write to our MP's urgently, asking them to take action to ensure that the government does not turn its back on those most in need. The result will be that more people will die, and many will lose their livelihoods. Anyone wishing to fund raise for CAFOD can take part in the Lenten Walk. Details are on the J&P noticeboard.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Newsletter

Parish Priest: Fr. Paul Cracknell (Ord.)

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Ordinariate Website: www.ordinariate.org.uk

ADDITIONAL LENTEN LUNCH

THIS SUNDAY at 1pm, the Syro Malabar Community will be selling their traditional Indian food from 1pm as takeaway dishes, prepacked and pre-priced. **Please note the Parish Hall doors will not open until 1pm.** All proceeds will be donated to the J&P Group's fund raising for CAFOD and the Sisters in Gomo in the DRC. A huge thank you to the Syro Malabar parishioners for providing this treat.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

They are at the back of Church, please speak to Greg or Clare if you haven't received yours. Please return any Gift Aid declaration forms that you may have.

LENTEN LUNCHES

Last week's Lenten Lunch raised £86, so thank you to all those who contributed and/or attended.

The Lenten Lunches have been arranged for the following dates:

Wednesday 2nd April
Tuesday 8th April

They will all be held in the Parish Hall, beginning at 12 noon and finishing at 2pm.

The food offered does depend on the hosts, but all provide a simple lunch. This usually comprises homemade soup, bread, cheese, cake & biscuits.

Entrance is free but we welcome offerings of what guests can afford. The money raised this year will be split between CAFOD and The Sisters in the DRC where the situation is dire with many homeless, wounded, orphaned and having had to flee Goma itself. Funds will be crucial to helping the people the sisters care for.

Everyone is welcome, not only parishioners, but friends, work colleagues and neighbours. Please put the dates in your diary and come to join us.

There are only two weeks left to buy raffle tickets. Tickets will be £2.50 each which will be available after each Mass and at each Lenten Lunch, from this weekend. Please take an envelope, complete your details and the number of tickets you wish to purchase. Please put the CORRECT money in the envelope and leave at the welcomers' desk. Draw will take place on Tuesday 8th April at the last Lenten Lunch.

EASTER DAY BY DAY BOOKS ARE ON SALE AT THE WELCOMERS' DESK. EACH BOOK IS £1.20.

ALTAR SERVERS

There will be two meetings for Altar Servers to prepare for the Easter Services as follows:

Saturday 12th April at 11am for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

Saturday 19th April at 11am for the Easter Vigil.

Please make every effort to attend these rehearsals as they are for an important time of the year.

Thank you for your commitment to serve. John.

KNIGHTS CLOTHING COLLECTION

The Knights of St. Columba will be holding another men's clothing collection. If you have any of the following, please leave in the box labelled Knights of St Columba (in the foyer). Clothing – used but clean - joggers, jeans, coats, trainers, hoodies, sweatshirts & t-shirts. New boxers and socks. Rucksacks. Notebooks, pens, art supplies, playing cards and dominoes. Many thanks for your support.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 29th March

5.30 pm – Rosary
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – In thanksgiving (L. Lazarus)

Sunday 30th March

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (C)
'Laetare Sunday' & Mothering Sunday

9.30 am – People of the Parish

11.30 am – Patrick Solomon's Intentions (E. Solomon)

Monday 31st March – **NO MASS**
Father's & Clare's Day Off

Tuesday 1st April – DIVINE WORSHIP MASS
Mass, Adoration & Benediction

6.30 pm – Intentions of Georgia Gibb & Tricia Handorff
(Fr. Paul, Clare & Family)

Wednesday 2nd April

9.15 am – Jennifer Convery RIP (E. Bullock)

Thursday 3rd April – MASS ONLY - NO HOLY HOUR

9.15 am – Denis Lloyd RIP (Lloyd Family)

Friday 4th April

9.15 am – Geraldine & Charlie Smyth RIP (M. Smyth & Family)

7 pm – Stations of the Cross

Saturday 5th April

5.30 pm – Rosary
Vigil Mass – First Mass of Sunday

6 pm – David Moore RIP (M. & P. East)

Sunday 6th April

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (C)

9.30 am – People of the Parish

11.30 am – Bryan Martin RIP (C. & J. Martin)

