

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Our Lady and The English Martyrs, Cambridge

SAT 25 MAR ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

18:00 Priest's Intention

SUN 26 MAR 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

08:00 Erminia Perri RIP

09:30 People of the Parish

11:00 Gennaro Russo RIP

12:45 POLISH MASS

16:30 John Entwistle (Sick)

(Latin) 18:30 Holy Souls

MON 27 MAR LENT FERIA

07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel

08:00 Michael Francis Thanksgiving

11:00 St George's Court Mass

12:15 Peter Grindsted RIP

17:45 VESPERS - St Andrew's Chapel

TUE 28 MAR LENT FERIA

07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel

08:00 Ronnie O'Dwyer RIP

12:15 Priest's Intention

16:45-17:30 Confessions -Holy Souls Chapel

17:45 VESPERS-St Andrew's Chapel

18:15 Christian Anugwu

WED 29 MAR LENT FERIA

07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel

08:00 Janina Margas (F)

12:15 Martin Mongan & Laura

17:45 VESPERS - St Andrew's Chapel

THU 30 MAR LENT FERIA

07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel

08:00 Priest's Intention

12:15 Bernadette Teall RIP

17:45 VESPERS - St Andrew's Chapel

(Latin) 18:15 Priest's Intention

FRI 31 MAR LENT FERIA

06:45 Priest's Intention

07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel

08:00 Judith Sarewitz

12:15 Priest's Intention

17:45 VESPERS - St Andrew's Chapel

18:00 Exposition & Confessions

19:00 Deanery Station Mass

SAT 01 APR LENT FERIA

09:00-09:30 Confessions

10:00 Simone Wilson RIP

10:30-11:30 Confessions/Rosary

15:00 SVP Mass of Anointing

16:30-17:15 Confessions

18:00 Priest's Intention

Our Lady of Lourdes, Sawston

135 High Street, Sawston, Cambs CB22 3HJ

SUN 26 MAR 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

08:45 Adrian Harrington RIP

11:15 Priest's Intention

MON 27 MAR LENT FERIA

09:30 Jill Tuffin

TUE 28 MAR LENT FERIA

09:30 Priest's Intention

WED 29 MAR LENT FERIA

09:30 Samantha Lapidge

THU 30 MAR LENT FERIA

09:30 Priest's Intention

FRI 31 MAR LENT FERIA

09:30 Priest's Intention

SAT 01 APR LENT FERIA

09:30 Mass & Confessions

Saint Vincent de Paul, Ditton

30 Ditton Lane, Cambridge, CB5 8SP

SUN 26 MAR 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

10:15 Johnny Togher

Cambourne Mass Centre

Jeavons Lane, Cambourne, Cambs, CB23 6AF

SAT 25 MAR VIGIL MASS

17:00 Priest's Intention

TUE 28 MAR LENT FERIA (BLUE SCHOOL HALL)

12:15 Priest's Intention

THU 30 MAR LENT FERIA

19:15 Priest's Intention

SAT 01 APR VIGIL MASS

17:00 Priest's Intention

Bar Hill Mass Centre

Hanover Close, Bar Hill, Cambs, CB23 8EH

SAT 25 MAR VIGIL MASS

18:00 Priest's Intention

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Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady and The English Martyrs

Monday 11:00-12:00 - Main Altar

Tuesday 11:00-12:00 - Main Altar

Wednesday 11:00-12:00 - Main Altar

Thursday 11:00-12:00 - Main Altar

Friday 11:00-12:00 - Main Altar

OTHER MASSES IN THE PARISH

Blackfriars Priory, Buckingham Road, Cambridge

Sundays at 08.15, 09.15 (Extraordinary Form),

11.00 18.00

Weekdays at 07.30. Saturdays at 09.30

St Edmund's College, Mount Pleasant, Cambridge

Sundays at 10.30



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NEWSLETTER for 26th March, 2017 Fourth Sunday in Lent Year A Ps Week 4

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Samuel 16:1.6-7.10-13 The Church chooses Old Testament readings during Lent which prepare us for the coming of Christ. The fourth Sunday brings us to the story of David, with whom the promises of a messianic king originate. As founder of the messianic kingly dynasty, David is the figure of the reality which will be fulfilled by Jesus. Here we have one of the three biblical versions of the discovery of the future king (the others being the story of the young musician at Saul's court and the story of the young warrior slaying the giant Goliath). Here the lesson is that God does not choose as human beings do, though David is obviously an attractive young lad. He would turn out to be a leader of charisma, who could twist anyone round his little finger. God also chose Cain's younger brother Abel, and the youngest of Jacob's twelve sons, Joseph. We constantly have difficulty in accepting that our achievements contribute nothing to God and do not earn his favour. David, the adulterer and murderer, learnt the hard way that we can rely only on God's merciful forgiveness.

Ephesians 5:8-14 This reading is obviously chosen to prepare for the gospel reading, in which Jesus brings sight to the blind man. Light is one of the archetypal symbols of hope and encouragement. Without light we are crippled until, as the psalmist says, with the dawn man goes forth to his work and activities. In the Old Testament God is light who lives 'in inaccessible light'. In the New Testament this attribute of God is transferred to Jesus, for Jesus proclaims that he is the light of the world. In the final book of the Bible, the Book of Revelation, victorious from the conquest over evil, God and the 'Lamb once slain' together constitute the light of the new city of God, so that neither sun nor moon is required. The reading ends with a positive little couplet, possibly an early Christian hymn adopted into the reading, about Christ as the light who by his resurrection bursts through the deepest darkness of all, the darkness of death. Even in the darkness of Lent, preoccupied with the coming Passion of the Lord, we look forward to his liberation and ours in the glory of the resurrection at Easter.

St John 9:1.6-9.13-17.34-38 The second of the three great Johannine readings about water, light and life (which point to the baptisms of Easter) gives us the splendid account of Jesus bringing light to the blind man in the Temple. It is full of Johannine contrasts and irony. The 'Jews' or the Pharisees think they have the light and knowledge, but the more they abuse the man born blind, the clearer their own darkness and ignorance become. The more they try to thrust the blind man away from Jesus, the more they push him into seeking refuge in him. Much of the colouring of the scene comes from the controversies towards the end of the first century, when the Pharisees were the only branch of Judaism to survive after the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans. The New Testament shows that there was bitter opposition between those Jews who accepted the divine claims for Jesus, and those who rejected them. This is especially clear in the fear of the blind man's parents (recounted in the longer version of Sunday's Gospel) that they would be excluded from the synagogue if they accepted that Jesus' grant of sight was a sign of his divine mission. The doughty and pugnacious man born blind has no such hesitation!

COPY Deadline for the Newsletter by Wednesday 12 noon, please

PLEASE, will all **READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** let the Celebrant know that they are present **before Mass begins** to avoid confusion. This is for all Masses, Sundays and weekdays alike. Thank you.

LENT IN OUR PARISH

ADDITIONAL MASS ON THE FRIDAYS OF LENT There will be an early morning Mass at **06:45** each Friday during Lent for those who find it difficult to come to either 8:00 or 12:15 Mass. Stations of the Cross Friday evenings at 19:30. **Please note** that on **31st March** when we have our Lenten Station Mass with the Bishop that the Stations will be at **08:30 following the 8:00 am Mass.**

LENTEN ALMS Our Bishop has identified two Charities which will be the recipients of Lenten Alms from the Diocese: (1) **AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED** - It is a Pontifical Foundation of the Catholic Church, supporting the Catholic faithful and other Christians where they are persecuted, oppressed or in pastoral need. (2) **THE MEDAILLE TRUST**: is a charity founded by groups of Religious congregations in 2006 to work against the evils of human trafficking congregations in response to the plight of thousands of people who are being trafficked into the UK each year. The Trust has been a significant provider of support and safe house provision for the victims of human trafficking since then and continues to deliver outstanding care ten years on.



LENTEN STATION MASS for ST ANDREW'S DEANERY Our Bishop will be with us to celebrate Holy Mass on **FRIDAY, 31st March** joined by parishioners and clergy from the Deanery vesp.. **18:00** there will be **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** and an opportunity for **Confession**; **19:00 Holy Mass**; **20:00** a Penitential Supper of soup and bread rolls in St Alban's School Hall.

THE CHRISM MASS: We will be running a coach for parishioners to join in the Annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral. This year it will be on **TUESDAY, 11th April at 19:00**. Coach departure time will be posted nearer the time.

EASTER LILIES: You are invited to dedicate a lily in memory of a relative or friend as part of the Easter celebrations. Names will be recorded in a Book of Remembrance and Mass offered on your behalf. Please send a donation of £3.50 per lily to the Financial Administrator at the Rectory together with your clearly written dedication. Cheques should be made payable to OLEM.

POSSIBLE NEW CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN EAST ANGLIA The Diocese of East Anglia is intending to submit bids for up to eight new Catholic schools across the region. These bids will be submitted in March and **if successful, schools could open as early as 2019. Primary schools are being proposed in Cambridgeshire, Peterborough, Thetford and Norwich. A Catholic high school is being proposed in West Cambridgeshire, Cambridgeshire** and possibly a sixth form in Norwich. More information about these proposals can be found on the Diocesan website <http://rcdea.org.uk/freeschools/> This link also allows you to register your interest in these new schools, which will also allow the Diocese to keep you

updated on the proposals. **As many people as possible need to register their interest on the website to provide strong evidence to the government of the need for Catholic schools in East Anglia, making the bids more likely to succeed.**

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE TRIBUNAL In response to Pope Francis' recent invitation to priests around the world to make the teaching of the church on marriage (and when they break down) better known and understood, there will be an informal evening held St Laurence's Parish, Cambridge (91 Milton Road, CB4 1XB) on Monday, **1 May, 2017 from 19.30 – 21.00.**

The session is designed to make everyone aware of what the Church has been doing, not only just recently under the guidance of Pope Francis, but also for many years to help those who have experienced broken marriages to heal the wounds they have suffered. If you would like to contact the Office directly you can on **01508 495168** during weekday mornings or by sending an e-mail to tribunal@rcdea.org.uk

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE : St Philip Howard Church, Walpole Road, CB1 3TH: Sundays from 19:15-20:15

Course 2: 30 Apr, 14 May, 28 May, 11 Jun
Course 3: 17 Sept, 1 Oct, 15 Oct, 29 Oct. More details at www.sphcambridge.co.uk

SOULFOOD PRAYER GROUP : Meets at OLEM, **2nd and 4th** Tuesday of the month and at St Laurence's on the **1st & 3rd** from **19:30-21.00**. All are welcome

SVP MASS OF ANOINTING:: Will be celebrated at **15.00** on **Saturday 1st April** at English Martyrs, followed by the usual tea in the Parish Centre. The Society of St Vincent de Paul are able to offer transport to and from Mass. Please phone the Rectory between 09.00 and 16.30 on weekdays if you require assistance. Anointing of the Sick is the Sacrament by which those who have health worries, or bear the burden of the years receive comfort, strength and the grace of healing.

CTS: Please check the CTS Stand for new items, especially your **'Day by Day'** Lenten companion, now on display.

SAMUEL GROUP: *"Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."* Where is God calling you? Do you want to explore that call in a prayerful environment with others who are also discerning God's call? Join our Samuel group, and discover your call. This group is suitable for single young adults (18-39), who are wondering what God is calling them to do with their lives. The aim is to help participants discern their direction in life, whether this is to marriage or dedicated single life, to priesthood or consecrated life. It would also suit those who are making decisions about their career, or about spending time as a missionary or volunteer. If you are interested, please contact Sr Tamsin at: tamsingeachop@gmail.com

OUR LADY AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS NEWS

FOODBANK - The next collection will take place this **Sat/Sun 25th/26th March**. Thank you for your continued generous support for food and utilities in the form of non perishable goods and funds of £381. More volunteers are needed with the monthly collections, for further information please contact Urszula Chojnacka on uchojnacka47@gmail.com or 07942 385194

ROSARY AND PRAYER GROUPS The Rosary Group meets on Saturdays from **10:45**. The Prayer Group meets on Mondays at **12:45** in the Parish Centre.

TODDLERS Meet every Wednesday during term time at **09:00-11:30** in the Parish Centre

SATURDAY ROSARY GROUP As an adjunct to the Saturday Rosary Group, the Weekday Rosary Group under the patronage of Our Lady of Fatima will recite the Rosary after the 08:00 Mass. All are welcome to "Pray the Rosary every day" as requested by Our Lady.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS: A monthly group for those aged 18-35. The next meeting will start at **18:45 on 27 March** in the parish centre behind the Church. We will begin with a bring and share supper, followed by watching a documentary together about the Shroud of Turin Email olemyoungcatholicadults@gmail.com if you would like to know more. New faces are very welcome!

THE TEXTILE GROUP: will meet on Friday, 6th April, from 10:00-14:00, in the Parish Centre Hall. All are welcome

OUR LADY OF LOURDES & CAMBOURNE

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: Confirmation preparation will commence at Our Lady of Lourdes in April. If you are 13 years old or over and would like to be included in the preparation for Confirmation which will take place in June, kindly register your interest to Mary Jo Hall. Please send your name, email address, school and age to head@stmsw.co.uk

APF MISSIO BOX HOLDERS: Please leave your red box at the back of the church ready to be counted. The grand total raised in 2016 in Sawston was £937.50. Thank you for your continued support. Please take the Spring edition of Missio magazine home with you.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES ON THE CATHOLIC FAITH - aimed at children aged 6 and above who do not attend a Catholic primary school, as an introduction to the Catholic faith prior to their course for First Holy Communion (preparation for Holy Communion is done in another, different class). Classes are held in the Parish House 10:15-11:00 - next dates are **26 March and 23 April**. New children are always welcome, please contact Nieva (nievacortez@gmail.com) or Agata (agatad_urso@hotmail.com)

BISHOP ALAN HOPES VISIT: Bishop Alan will be visiting Cambourne & Sawston on the weekend of 24/25th June, where he will be celebrating the 17:00 Mass at Cambourne and the 11:15 at Sawston.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS

ADDENBROOKES HOSPITAL & NURSING HOMES To arrange Holy Communion or a visit contact the Chaplaincy office directly on **01223 217769**. Please check with the Ward Clerk that the patient is registered as a Catholic and that the patient has ticked the box giving their permission for a priest or a member of the Chaplaincy team to visit. If you know someone who is in a Nursing Home and would like a visit, please contact a member of the clergy and/or

the SVP.

BROOKFIELDS HOSPITAL, MILL ROAD There is now no chaplaincy for Brookfields Hospital. If you have a Catholic relative or friend in the Lord Byron wards who would like to receive communion or a pastoral visit, please contact Deacon John Bell (**0750 256 0610**) or johnbell2010@btinternet.com

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

O.L.E.M.

Tuesday: 16:45-17:30

Saturday: 09:00-09:30

10:30-11:30

16:30-17:15

SAWSTON

Saturday: 09:30-10:00



We will be having extra confession times later in Lent to help those who find our present times difficult manage.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Standing Orders	£ 2,855
Sawston	£ 250
Bar Hill	£ 105
Cambourne	£ 227
Ditton	£ 135
Our Lady and The English Martyrs	£ 1,674
Sub-Total	£ 2,391
Total Collection	£ 5,246

Please pray for those who are sick, especially Nonie Hawke, Ellen Webb-Mervyn, Joanne Walters, Christopher Browne, Maria Haynes, Mary Wallace, Teresa Foley, Mike Gilpin, Fr David Hennessy, Matthew Morgan, Martin Ward, Michael Robertson, Ann Verde.

For those who have died and for all whose anniversary of death occurs at this time. May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



FOR SAFETY REASONS, ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED TO THE TOILET BY A PARENT OR ADULT CARER.

HOLY MATRIMONY AND BAPTISM
By appointment with the Clergy.
For holy matrimony, 6 months' notice is required.