

THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

SAT 06 APR VIGIL MASS
 18:00 CARLA BUCCA VERNA

SUN 07 APR 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT
 08:00 Paul
 09:30 + Philomena Melican
 11:00 The People of The Parish
 12:45 POLISH MASS
 16:30 + Bob Gourley
 Latin 18:30 No Mass Intention

MON 08 APR
 07:30 LAUDS—St Andrew's Chapel
 08:00 No Mass Intention
 12:15 + Trevor Paterson
 17:45 VESPERS-St Andrew's Chapel

TUE 09 APR LENTEN FERIA
 07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel
 08:00 + Tony Curley
 12:15 Chidozie and Jana (Personal Intention)
 17:45 VESPERS - St Andrew's Chapel
 19:00 LENTEN STATION MASS

WED 10 APR LENTEN FERIA
 07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel
 08:00 + Margaret Kent
 12:15 Anne in Thanksgiving
 17:45 VESPERS-St Andrew's Chapel

THUR 11 APR LENTEN FERIA
 07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel
 08:00 No Mass Intention
 12:15 + Robert Clements
 17:45 VESPERS - St Andrew's Chapel
 Latin 18:15 No Mass Intention

FRI 12 APR LENTEN FERIA
Day of Prayer for Sex Abuse Survivors
 07:30 LAUDS - St Andrew's Chapel
 08:00 No Mass Intention
 12:15 Thanksgiving
 17:45 VESPERS - St Andrew's Chapel
 19:00 STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SAT 13 APR LENTEN FERIA
 10:00 No Mass Intention
 18:00 No Mass Intention

SUN 14 APR PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
 08:00 No Mass Intention
 09:30 + Albert Maher
 11:00 Anastasia's birthday
 12:45 POLISH MASS
 16:30 No Mass Intention
 Latin 18:30 No Mass Intention

Saint Vincent de Paul, Ditton
 30 Ditton Lane, Cambridge, CB5 8SP
SUN 7 APRIL 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT
 10:15 + Eileen Deane
THUR 11 APRIL FERIA
 19:30 + The Holy Souls

Bar Hill Mass Centre
 Hanover Close, Bar Hill, Cambs, CB23 8EH
SAT 6 APRIL VIGIL MASS
 18:00 + The Holy Souls
SAT 13 APRIL VIGIL MASS
 18:00 + The Holy Souls

Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of The Assumption and The English Martyrs
 Monday 11:00-12:00
 Tuesday 18:00-18:55 this week only
 Wednesday 11:00-12:00
 Thursday 11:00-12:00
 Friday 11:00-12:00

CONFESSIONS:
 Tuesday 18:00-19:00 this week only
 Saturday 09:00-09:30; 10:30-11:15; 16:30 -17:15

OTHER MASSES IN THE PARISH
Blackfriars Priory, 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, Cambridge
 Sundays at 10.30 & Fridays (in term) Sung Latin at 18.15



THE HOLY ROSARY AT OLEM: In answer to Our Lady's request to pray the Rosary every day we invite you to join us:
Saturdays: at 10:45, after the 10:00 Mass. Coffee afterwards in the Parish Centre.
First Saturdays: at 10:45, after the 10:00 Mass, as per the request of Our Lady of Fatima, for reparation to Her Immaculate Heart.
Monday-Friday: at 08:40-09.00 after the 08:00 Mass. On Monday at 12:45 following the 12:15 Mass in the parish centre.. Additional Rosary on **Tuesday** after 18:15 Mass
Rosarium Latinæ
Sundays: at 18:00 *before the 18:30* Latin Mass. The Holy Rosary will be prayed in Latin, the universal language of Mother Church. Under the patronage of Our Lady of the Assumption, this recitation completes the circle of the Rosary prayed each week at OLEM.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:
 15:00 - Monday to Wednesday (Holy Souls Chapel)

Our Lady of The Assumption and the English Martyrs, Cambridge



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THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 43:16-21 During Lent we have been working through the story of Israel preparing – or being prepared – for the coming of Christ: we have heard of Adam, Abraham, Moses, the monarchy, and now we hear of the promise of a new beginning. For that is what Easter is. This part of Isaiah was written during the Exile of the Jews in Babylon, a traumatic event which seemed to them to be the end of all their hopes; it seemed to be permanent condition of exile and slavery, far from their beloved Jerusalem - 'There we sat and wept,' says the Psalmist. But the prophet (whose work is attributed to Isaiah) set out to re-invigorate them with the promise that they would return to Jerusalem, and that the wonders of the Exodus from Egypt would be renewed. There would be a new road across the desert and miraculous supplies of water for the travellers. The desert would bloom afresh (for the slightest supply of water brings the withered plants to life in the spring), and the curious beasts of the desert, jackals and ostriches, would praise the Lord. There is a lesson for us too. Our trust in God teaches us – and our own experience eventually grudgingly reinforces this – that seemingly total disaster can become a source of strength and instruction.

Philippians 3:8-14 As we prepare for the celebration of the Passion next week, we read of St Paul's own struggle in this letter to his special friends at Philippi in Northern Greece. He is tired, probably already quite elderly, and longs to finish his race and be with Christ in tranquillity. The games and athletic contests were the football tournaments of the ancient world. Corinth, where St Paul spent so long, was the centre for the Isthmian Games (more important at the time than the Olympics) and St Paul often uses imagery of running and even boxing. He knows the thrill of the contest, but at the same time he recognizes that all our power comes from the Resurrection of Christ. Christ endured and was raised by the Father. Often for us Christianity consists of also enduring – enduring slights, insults or neglect and replying with a cheerful word or gesture which dissolves the hurt and seeks to renew friendship and genuine relationship. There is no need aggressively to turn the other cheek; it needs more of the courage of Christ to reply with a positive advance. If I can bring myself to ask, 'What would Jesus have done?' I am already sharing in his strength. In this way, the aggression of the athlete is redirected!

St John 8:1-11 Why this reading from St John in the middle of the Year of St Luke? All the other gospels during this Lenten season have been from St Luke. The answer is that it is an independent, floating story which does not even fit into the Gospel of John. In early manuscripts of the gospels this story moves around and is found in various places before it becomes anchored as an example of Jesus' teachings just after he says, 'Our Law does not allow us to pass judgement on anyone without first giving them a hearing' (John 7:51). It is appropriate for this Year of St Luke because the tone of the story and the theme of welcome for the repentant sinner are both thoroughly Lukan, a theme which is constantly stressed in St Luke's Gospel (for example, in the Parable of the Prodigal Son). What did Jesus write on the ground, or was it that he was just doodling to allow the accusers time to reflect on their self-righteousness? The latter is certainly one of the main concerns of St Luke's Gospel, where it is made clear that you cannot be a follower of Christ without first admitting your sinfulness: when St Peter meets Jesus, he tells Jesus to go away, because he (St Peter) is a sinner; Zacchaeus recognises that he is a sinner and promises to make multiple restitution for his embezzlements; the woman at the supper weeps for her sins at Jesus' feet.

COPY FOR NEWSLETTER by Wednesday 12:00 noon please

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JUNIOR CHOIR has enjoyed a successful year. We increased our number of places to 30, and have sung a 9:30 Mass each term and given a very popular Christmas concert in the Parish Hall. As the close of the spring term we sang for Mothering Sunday on 31st March.

If you have a child who is a keen singer **aged 7 to 12**, who can commit to weekly rehearsals, a termly Mass and 2 concerts a year, email the Director of the Song School, to arrange an audition for next year's entry: songschool@olem.org.uk – using "JUNIOR CHOIR" as the subject.

JUNIOR CHOIR REHEARSES EVERY THURSDAY DURING TERM TIME 16:15 to 17:30

YOUTH CHOIR Since February half term, our Youth Choir has been meeting to rehearse on a Wednesday evening 19:45 to 21:00. The Youth Choir has proved a popular choice with young people **aged 13 to 18** as a great way to make new friends and enjoy singing together.

The Youth Choir prepares the music for one Mass a term, and participates in 2 concerts a year. As with the Junior Choir, a strong level of commitment is required. Entry is by singing to the Director of the Song School. If you have a teenage son/daughter who enjoys singing who would like to join, please email songschool@olem.org.uk using "YOUTH CHOIR" as the subject.

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CHRISM MASS AT CATHEDRAL Each year the priests and people of the Diocese assemble around the Bishop in the Cathedral Church for the blessing of the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick and most importantly the consecration of the Oil of Chrism. It is a time when the priests, before the people of God, renew their promises to the Bishop, to be co-workers and to serve the needs of the Church to their best ability.

The Chrism Mass is on **TUESDAY, 16th April** and begins at **19:00**. A coach will leave from Our Lady of The Assumption and The English Martyrs at **16:30** to allow time to arrive, get settled, etc.. We should be returning to Cambridge by **22:30** at the latest. **The coach is FREE for this event.** To book your place on the coach please ring Reception on **01223 350787** and give the Receptionist your name and contact details as well as the number of seats you would like to reserve. **Please remember to cancel early if you change your mind so that someone else can have your place(s).**

HASLINGFIELD CATHOLIC HOUSE GROUP House Mass on **Wednesday 10th April, 19:30** at 10 The Meadows, Haslingfield. Welcome to come. More information please phone Christine (**01223 870136**)

Maureen (**01223 870708**) Ray (**01223 872733**)

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS GROUP (aged 18-35) Next meeting is **Thursday 11 April** at the **18:15** Mass in OLEM church. After saying a Rosary together, we'll head out to one of the local pubs for food and drinks. New faces are very welcome to come along at any point during the evening. Email olemyoung-catholicadults@gmail.com if you want to know more.

DEANERY LENTEN STATION MASS The tradition of the Station Mass goes right back to the time of Pope Gregory, who used to make a pilgrimage to 40 churches in Rome during Lent, accompanied by pilgrims who would join him in a rite of penitence.

Our Bishop will be with us on **Tuesday, 9th April. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession at 18:00**, followed by the Station Mass at **19:00** and refreshments afterwards in the hall.

MARCH FOR LIFE takes place in central London on **Saturday 11th May** from **14:00-16:30**. Starts at the back of Westminster Church House, 25 Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BN and proceeds to the Palace of Westminster. Sarah Ward will be there from **13:00** with our Diocesan banner if people wish to gather as a group and walk together. Full details and information, including information for those wishing to organise a coach, can be found on the March for Life website: <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/>

TAIZÉ SERVICE on **Good Friday on 19th April** from **20:15-21:00** at Our Lady of The Assumption and The English Martyrs. Open to all. Come and join us for a Taizé prayer and song service led by the Youth Group.

HOLY WEEK begins on Saturday evening. Please note that **there will not be Confessions/Vespers/Evening Mass on Tuesday, 16th April** because our priests will be attending the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral. Our Church will close early that day for security reasons **after the 12:15 Mass.**

CONFESSIONS DURING HOLY WEEK will be on **Maundy Thursday, and Holy Saturday** at the following times: **09:30-10:30; 12:00-13:00; 16:00-17:00 and on Good Friday at 09:30-10:30 and 12:00-13:00.**

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP MEETING CHANGE OF DATE. THIS MONTH THE GROUP MEETING WILL BE HELD **WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL** AT 7:30PM IN THE PARISH MEETING ROOM. PLEASE JOIN US TO DISCUSS CURRENT ISSUES AND FUTURE EVENTS

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, contact: Deacon John Bell (**07502560610**) or johnbell2010@btinternet.com

ADDENBROOKES HOSPITAL AND 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.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Standing Orders	1,826.00
Bar Hill	112
Ditton	147
OLEM	1939
Total	2,198

Thank you for your continued generosity

PARISH PRAYER

O God, through Baptism you have made us your children, heirs of heaven and members of the Church. Make our parish a family of one heart and mind in love towards you. Grant that our common life and work may be an example to all about us. Guide our Rector and assistant Priests in their work along with all those involved in ministry. Acknowledge the intercessions of Our Blessed Lady of The Assumption and The English Martyrs, our patrons; and keep us secure in your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Please pray for those who are sick in hospital or at home and for those who are housebound. For those who have died and for all those 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.

Loving God, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear our prayers for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness, disease, and the frailty of old age realise that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. Amen

HOW TO HAVE A MASS OFFERED Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope which you will either find either at the back of Church or alternatively you may ask the priest for one in the Sacristy. Once completed, either place it in the Collection bags on Saturday evening/Sunday or put it through the Rectory letter-

box.

It is important that you use on the pre-printed Mass Intention envelopes so that we know who has requested the Mass. The surname donor will always appear in the newsletter but only the Christian (first) name of anyone living can be printed. (see below GDPR Legislation).

THE GDPR LEGISLATION

Catholic Insurance Service have given instructions to the Diocese regarding the new GDPR legislation which is now in force.

It means, for instance, that without the written consent of those who are ill (they and they alone can give it) we are no longer able to publish their names in the newsletter.

We all realise that this seems to be a bit of a blow for us pastorally but we do pray for those who are ill and will continue to do so. Likewise, Mass Intentions for those who are living should be simply listed with a first name (if appropriate) or listed as a Private Intention with the **surname of the donor** so that you can recognise it is the Mass you have requested.



Every blessing for the coming week and throughout the Lenten Season!

Mgr Canon Eugène Harkness,
Fr Simon Leworthy
Fr Adrian Gates

BAPTISM By appointment with the Clergy.

HOLY MATRIMONY

6 months' notice is required.



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

