

SAT 14 MAR	VIGIL MASS Vigil 18:00 + Mrs Madill
SUN 15 MAR	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT 08:00 + Tony Scott 09:30 + Stephen Hezekiah Awokoya 11:00 + Jaya Thomas Mascarene 12:45 POLISH MASS 16:30 + Michael & Letizia Rogotzow LATIN 18:30 People of the Parish
MON 16 MAR	LENT FERIA 07:30 Lauds – St Andrew’s Chapel 08:00 Maureen & Gary 12:15 + Edward Hung (F) 17:45 Vespers/Benediction
TUE 17 MAR	ST PATRICK, PATRON OF IRELAND 07:30 Lauds – St Andrew’s Chapel 08:00 + Janina Margas (F) 12:15 + Ivan Ping 17:45 Vespers/Benediction 18:15 + Romulo Cuevas
WED 18 MAR	LENT FERIA 07:30 Lauds – St Andrew’s Chapel 08:00 + Tessie & Arthur Jones (F) 12:15 + Adelina Silva 17:45 Vespers/Benediction
THUR 19 MAR	ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF BVM 07:30 Lauds – St Andrew’s Chapel 08:00 + Harold Lister (F) 12:15 Horne Family 17:45 Vespers/Benediction Solemn 19:00 + Pawel Rogowski
FRI 20 MAR	LENT FERIA 07:30 Lauds – St Andrew’s Chapel 08:00 Brendan O’Reilly (Sick) 12:15 Alexandra ing (Sick) 17:45 Vespers/Benediction 19:00 Stations of The Cross
SAT 21 MAR	LENT FERIA 10:00 + Algin Lenton Vigil 18:00 + Monica Maloney
SUN 22 MAR	4TH SUNDAY IN LENT 08:00 Stephen, Patrick’s Family Special Int 09:30 Protection of the Unborn 11:00 + Catherine Haughey 12:45 POLISH MASS 16:30 People of the Parish LATIN 18:30 World Peace & Cure for Covid19

<i>Saint Vincent de Paul, Ditton</i> 30 Ditton Lane, Cambridge, CB5 8SP	
SUN 15 MAR	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT 10:15 + Eileen Deane
THUR 19 MAR	ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF BVM 19:30 Priest’s Intention
<i>Bar Hill Mass Centre</i> Hanover Close, Bar Hill, Cambs, CB23 8EH	
SAT 14 MAR	VIGIL MASS 18:00 + Margaret DeBoer
SAT 21 MAR	VIGIL MASS 18:00 Kerrie Denson (Sick)
EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION at Our Lady of The Assumption and The English Martyrs Monday 17:00-18:00 with Vespers/Benediction Tuesday 17:00-18:00 with Vespers/Benediction Wednesday 17:00-18:00 with Vespers/Benediction Thursday 17:00-18:00 with Vespers/Benediction Friday 17:00-18:00 with Vespers/Benediction	
CONFESSIONS: Tuesday 16:30-17:15 Saturday 09:00-09:30; 10:30-11:15 and from 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 Cambridge University Chaplaincy—Fisher House Saturdays at 18:00, Sundays at 09:00 and 11:00	
	
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 after the 08:00 Mass. 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 Our Lady of The Assumption and The English Martyrs.	
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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The Parish Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 09:00-16:30; Friday 09:00 -14:30

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THIS SUNDAY’S READINGS

Exodus 17:3-7 Throughout Lent the first readings dwell on the history of salvation narrated in the Old Testament; the third Sunday is always about Moses. In this year, Cycle A, the incident at Massah and Meribah is chosen to pair with the gospel reading about living water. Christ is the living water of salvation, an image of which is the water God provided for his people when they were tortured by thirst in the desert. It was not just that they could do with a bit of a drink, which we in a well-watered country have the fortune to experience. When you run out of water in the desert you lose all strength, all will to advance, and eventually wilt to death. On two separate occasions in the Old Testament the story of Moses striking the rock is told, and the rabbis held that it was the rock that followed them through the desert. Paul interprets the rock as Christ, who always provides for his people, but in the Old Testament God was not well pleased with most of his people. They continued to rebel and complain about their hardships and to long for ‘the leeks and onions’ of their slave-life in Egypt. With the same ingratitude we continue to neglect the salvation offered us, absorbed in any passing pleasures we can find.

Romans 5:1-2.5-8 Gradually explaining the mystery of salvation in his great Letter to the Romans, Paul has described a world sunk in evil. Then he meditates on Abraham’s trust in God’s promises, the same unwavering trust which is our only way to salvation, an unshaken conviction that God will come to our rescue in our shame and our failures. But what is the means by which God fulfils his promise of obliterating the evil which grips the human race? It can only be the obedience of Jesus, shown in his loving and obedient death on the Cross, which outdoes the disobedience of the whole human race, represented in Adam’s sin. It is not the gore and suffering which are in themselves salvific – like a price paid for human delinquency – but the total extent of the love shown in unflinching obedience to the Father’s will. He did this out of love for the Father, and also out of love for us, for whom he established the Kingship of God on earth. Paul seems to argue that, though in normal terms we were not worth dying for, Christ did die for us, just as in his ministry he did not wait for sinners to repent, but actively and unconditionally called them to himself.

John 4:5-15.19-26.39-42 In this lively dialogue Jesus almost seems to be teasing the Samaritan woman, deliberately leading her into misunderstanding about what he means by living water or about the conditions of worship. Nothing daunted, she gives as good as she gets, replying with a cheeky series of sarcastic questions, gradually edging nearer to the truth: an open-minded Jew – greater than our father Jacob – a prophet – and finally acknowledging him as the Messiah. With its serious message it is a lovely example of Jesus’ willingness to engage with people as they are, and of his openness with women. On these last three Sundays of Lent before Palm Sunday in Cycle A, the Church lays before us the three great symbols of the baptisms which will be celebrated at Easter. This concerns not only those who will be baptised at the Easter Vigil, but all those who are invited to renew our baptismal promise and commitment at Easter. By so doing we enter afresh into the living and nourishing water of God’s love which surpasses any food or drink (the teaching given to the Samaritan woman), into the light which enlightens the blind (the Cure of the Man Born Blind) and true life (the Raising of Lazarus).

COPY FOR NEWSLETTER
by Wednesday 12:00 noon please

ALMS FOR LENT This year the Bishop has chosen two charities to be supported by the Diocese for our Lenten Alms:

(i) **FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND** for their ongoing support and concern for Christians who are persecuted across the world

(ii) **SVP EAST ANGLIA** The SVP has just opened a house in Sheringham and are looking to buying another elsewhere in the Diocese.

THE BISHOP reminds us, that, if for any reason we do not feel able to receive Holy Communion in the hand, that we can still make a good and sincere act of spiritual communion, a practice highly commended by many of the saints, especially St Alphonsus. At the time of Holy Communion we can turn to the Lord Jesus, and pray to him quietly, saying: "Lord Jesus, though I may not at this moment receive you in Holy Communion, please come into my heart, your whole Soul and Divinity, and remain there, and keep me safe. I love you Jesus, always. Amen."

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS II: *Lectio Divino* for Lent. Why not join the parish Scripture group for a prayerful journey through Lent with Scripture? Wednesdays in Lent, 19:30 in the parish hall. For further information email Sr Tamsin at scripture@olem.org.uk

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Each **FRIDAY** of Lent at 19:00.

MASS INTENTIONS If you see an intention marked **Priest's Intentions** it means that no one has requested that Mass. You can go to the Sacristy before Mass begins (*reasonably 10 minutes before*) and ask him to say Mass your specific intention and leave your offering.

BAPTISM COURSE the next baptism course for parents baptising their child/ren for the first time is on **TUESDAY, 24th March at 19:00** in the Parish Hall. Parents who have not attended the course in the last 3 years who wish to baptise a second child are also invited to attend. Please email: rosinapastoral@olem.org.uk to confirm your attendance.

LENT TIME ON CAMPUS - ARU STUDENTS During the Lenten period, we will be sharing Lenten Reflections and praying the Rosary. **When?:** Every Tuesday during term **Where?:** Helmore 313 **Time:** 13:00-14:00 rosinapastoral@olem.org.uk

WOMEN IN THE BIBLE – LENTEN PROGRAMME This Lent, we will reflect on the theme of *Silence* in sacred scripture starting by looking at the silence of Our Blessed Virgin Mother Mary, and progress from that theme. Why not join us fortnightly in sharing your reflection and thoughts on this as we learn from scripture and each other? There is no particular requirement, just your availability and interest in the topic as a Lenten journey this year. We meet on Wednesdays fortnightly after 12:15 Mass at the meeting room in the Parish Hall from **13:00-14:30**. Contact for details: rosinapastoral@olem.org.uk

WANTED - Parish Secretary at St Laurence's, Cambridge The job is part-time, 18 hours/week with pay up to £14K. At least 2 years experience of a busy office environment and excellent organisational skills and ability to work unsupervised required. Details: <http://www.saintlaurence.org.uk/> Please send a CV to simon.blakesley@rcdea.org.uk. Closing date: Monday 23rd March



Have you ever thought about what you could do for the Church? Well here at OLEM we have one of the finest ring of bells anywhere in the country but rely on ringers from other Churches to come and ring them. We are looking to develop our own band of ringers.

If you would like to know more about bellringing, we are planning to present a demonstration and give you the opportunity to 'have a go'. The date is yet to be confirmed but is likely to be on a Saturday morning following Mass.

For more information and/or to book a place, please contact Paul Seaman. Email: paul.s.seaman@outlook.com or mobile number is 07802739105.

RADIO MARIA ENGLAND Volunteers' monthly meeting on **Saturday, 21st March at 19:00-21:00**, St Laurence Parish, 91 Milton Rd, Cambridge CB4 1XB. Contact: volunteers@radiomariaengland.uk

REDEDICATION OF ENGLAND AS MARY'S DOWRY, SUNDAY 29TH MARCH Radio Maria England are taking a coach from Cambridge to Walsingham, to take part in the mass and ceremony for the Rededication of England as Mary's Dowry. Coach will leave Radio Maria studio, Lincoln House, The Paddock, Cherry Hinton CB1 8DH at 8.00am on 29th March. Return time TBC, likely to be early evening. Please bring packed lunch, and £15 to cover cost of transport. Under 18s travel free. If you would like to join, please contact Sarah Taylor: staylor7632@gmail.com

'JUDGED BY LOVE' a Lent quiet day **21st March 2020** at Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology, 12, Grange Road, Cambridge CB3 9DU. Arrivals from 9.30, 10.00 - 12.30 input sessions, 1.00 - 3.00 time and space for prayer and offer of 1:1 sessions. Cost:£15 pay on the day or by bank transfer. Refreshments provided, please bring a packed lunch. To book: email mbitadm@hermes.cam.ac.uk or telephone 01223 741039

OUR LADY'S BABIES & TODDLERS GROUP will be suspended until after the Easter holidays..

LENTEN CONCERT - Then on **Saturday 21st March** at 20.00 we welcome back the New Cambridge Singers who will be performing the 'Stabat Mater' by Pergolesi and the Mass by the swiss composer Frank Martin. Tickets at £16, students £7 and under-18s free from: www.cambridgelive.org.uk/tickets 01223 295927

FOODBANK the next collection will take place on **Saturday/Sunday, 28th/29th March**. The latest shopping list will be posted on the noticeboards. Thanks for your continued generous support

RETREAT DAYS FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

As you are aware Fr. Paul and Seminarian Mark will be holding days of Retreat for those who are Extraordinary Ministers of The Eucharistic: **28th March**

10:00 Start with Mass (Parish Church) and then in the parish centre until around **14:00**.

Please bring a packed lunch and we will eat together as a group.

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 AND ROYAL PAPWORTH HOSPITALS & NURSING HOMES To arrange Holy Communion or a visit contact the Chaplaincy office directly through switchboard. 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	£1,780.00
Bar Hill	£ 51.00
Ditton	£ 142.00
OLEM	£1,747.00
Total Collection	£3,720.00

Our parish relies on offertory collections to maintain and grow the mission. We **do not receive** funding from the government, the Diocese of the Vatican.

What you decide to give is personal to you. Whatever you decide, the amount should suit your circumstances and be meaningful to you. You may wish to start a **Standing Order** with the Parish which allows you to control the amount you give and when. If you are a tax payer then it can also be **Gift Aided which means for every £1 you give the amount received is £1-25**.

The table below may help you to work our percentages if you wish.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME		WEEKLY GIVING GUIDE		
Hourly Wage	Annual Salary	2%	3%	5%
£8.21*	£15,000	£5.75	£8.62	£14.37
£10	£18,000	£7	£11	£18
£20	£36,000	£14	£21	£35
£25	£46,000	£18	£26	£44

*minimum wage

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 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

Please pray especially for those being persecuted for their Christian faith throughout the world and for the grace to do likewise if called upon.

HOW TO HAVE A MASS OFFERED Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope which you can 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 donor's last name will always appear in the newsletter but only the first name of anyone living for whom the Mass is to be offered can be printed. Mass Intention envelopes are available in the Sacristy.



We wish you all every blessing for the coming week!

Mgr Canon Eugène Harkness,
Fr Adrian Gates
Fr Simon Leworthy
Fr Paul Spellman

RECTORY CAR PARK Parking for church reasons: attending Mass or an appointment at The Rectory during the week? Please refrain from parking in the yellow boxed areas or the reserved areas to the left of the car park which are let out. The priests need access to their garages!! Outside of Mass times, cars without a **PARKING PERMIT will be given a notice.**

LENSFIELD ROAD DOOR (under the Organ Loft) The closing mechanism needs to be repaired which means that we cannot leave it unlocked safely.

BAPTISM By appointment with the Clergy.

HOLY MATRIMONY

6 months' notice is required.

TOILETS

Parents are reminded that if their children need to use the toilet facilities they must accompany them.