

1st Sunday of Lent Year A
29/1 March 2020

Responsorial Psalm: Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned

Sat: 6.30pm Vigil Mass (St Peter's) Hilda & Joe Moore RIP
Sun: 10.30am Mass (Alv) Mary Popowycz RIP

Mon: 12 noon Mass (Alv) Annie Wilkinson RIP
Tues: NO MASS
Wed: NO MASS
Thurs: NO MASS
Friday: NO MASS

2nd Sunday of Lent Year A

Sat: 6.30pm Vigil Mass (St Peter's) Sisters of Mercy RIP
Sun: 10.30am Mass (Alv) Michelle Meighan RIP

SVP: Monday 7.30pm
Confession: ½ hr before weekday Mass at Alv

Readers for next weekend

Sat: 6.30pm (Chell) L Spencer/H Nutman
Sun: 10.30am (Alv) T Curley/F Connolly

Money Matters:

Parish Offertory Collection: £779.29

Payments to the parish by cheque should be made payable to:
English Martyrs Derby RCP

Cleaners:
Sanctuary Lamp:
Baptism:

Prayers for the Sick: Please always keep in your prayers the sick and housebound especially William Johnson, Margaret Hall, Ellie Spencer, Nick Tarr, Sister Pat, Joe Hartford, Fr Trenchard, John and Jack Moore, Christopher and Clifford Browne and Jean Bowler.

Please Pray for the repose of the souls of Sr Rita Popple (Rosminian) and Sr Evelyn Sheridan (St Joseph of Peace). Please pray also for their families and their religious communities. May they rest in peace.

Funeral Arrangements: Maggie Heneghan: Reception into St Mary's on **Monday, 2 March** at 5.00pm. Requiem Mass at 1.00pm followed by interment at Boulton St Mary's
Sr Ellen McGrath: 11.00am on **Wednesday 4 March** at St Mary's.
Norman Winfield: **Thursday, 5 March** 12.30pm at Trent Valley Crematorium
Canon Colin Taylor: Vigil & Reception on **5 Mar** at 7pm; Requiem Mass on **6 Mar** at 11am – Bishop to celebrate.
At Our Lady of Lincoln, Laughton Way, Lincoln.

Second Collections: Next weekend 7/8 March for HCPT
14/15 March for SVP

Annunciation of the Lord – 25 March: Mass at 10.30am in SJF School and 7.00pm at English Martyrs

Year of the Word - Encountering Christ Lent:

The Gospels of Lent invite us into a series of encounters. Join us for an opportunity to explore the Gospels of Lent and the Christ we encounter in these scriptures each week at 7pm at English Martyrs Parish Hall:

5 Mar - Transfiguration
12 Mar - Woman at the Well
19 Mar - The Man Born Blind
26 Mar - Lazarus
2 Apr - The Passion

This weeks readings are:

Monday - Luke 6: 36-38
Tuesday – Matthew 12: 1-12
Wednesday – Matthew 20: 17-28
Thursday – Luke 16: 19-31
Friday – Matthew 21: 33-46

- Read through the Gospel passage slowly
- Notice the word or phrase that strikes you
- Read through the passage again
- Notice what word or phrase strikes you again – it may be the same, it may be different
- Repeat that word or phrase aloud a few times
- Write down your responses to the Word of God
- End with prayer – asking God for what you need to ask Him and thanking God for what you are thankful for.

Other resources for prayer and reflection:

dailycatholicgospel.org – sign up for daily Gospel reflections from Bishop Robert Barron by e-mail
<https://www.christianart.today/index.php> - a daily Gospel reflection by e-mail accompanied by art
<https://pray-as-you-go.org/> - daily Gospel reflections using word and music. Can be accessed on the web or by downloading the Pray As You Go app from Apple App Store for iPhone and iPad or Google play for Android devices.

Station Masses:

Friday, 6 March - Christ the King (NB: Change of venue)
Friday, 13 March - St Alban's
Friday, 20 March - St George's
Friday, 27 March - English Martyrs
Friday, 3 April - St Mary's

Stations of the Cross and Confessions from 6-7pm; Mass at 7pm

Easter Marriage Encounter Weekend – 4-5 July: Savio House, Bollington, nr Macclesfield. Book now at www.wvme.org.uk.

Lenten Sing-along: We invite you to join us for an afternoon of nostalgia in the Church Hall on **Wednesday 11 March 2-4pm**. Music from Rob Archer and light refreshments. In place of an admission fee we would ask that you bring items of food suitable for donating to parishioners in need this Easter – non-perishable tins/packets with a long shelf life are ideal. For queries/more details or if you cannot attend the event but would like to make a food donation, call Sheila Sanders on -1332 755623 (after 6pm).

Charity Easter Prize Bingo: Join us for our Charity Easter Prize Bingo in the Church Hall after mass, on **Wednesday 25 March** at 7.45pm. Includes raffle, seasonal refreshments and guess the Easter Bunny's birthday!

Re-Dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary – Sunday 29 March: 'Mary's Dowry' remains a title of England, established by an act of the King in 1381, and proclaimed by Archbishop Arundel, which has never been rescinded by Monarch or Parliament. Our Bishops have, over the years, re-consecrated our country to the Mother of God for her prayers and protection, and in reparation for the sins of the past. The first time being at the request of Pope Leo XIII in 1893. This year the Catholic people of England will once again formally dedicate both the realm and our personal lives to Mary. The rededication ceremony will happen at St Mary's Church, Derby on **Sunday 29 March**, when we will be invited to make a personal commitment by praying 'The Angelus Promise', a prayer in which we say "yes" in union with Our Lady through the words of the Annunciation.

Piety Stall: Please check out new items on the stall. New statues/votive candles plus many items that I don't have the space to display. If you don't see what you want please ask if we have it in stock or if you would like to order items. Church Art Calendars free and all Diaries £1 to clear. Please see Win or Frances at the back of church

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine – 8 April: £649 pp Single supp £100. Flight with 10kg bag, 5 nights Knock House Hotel with breakfast and dinner. All excursions included. Lunches on days out. Contact Patricia on 01268 762278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages ATOL T7613.

God's Plan For You: It's Wild and Precious:

Has the thought ever crossed your mind about becoming a Religious Sister or Brother? 'Come and Ask afternoons' at Our Lady and St Edwards Gordon Road, St. Ann's, Nottingham, NG3 2LG on **14 March** 2.30 – 4.00 pm. If further information is required contact; Sr Maureen Brennan maureenbrennancsjp@gmail.com, Sr Susan Richert religious@nrct.org.uk 07751196124 or The Nottingham Vocation team nottinghamvocations@hotmail.co.uk

DerbyCaRes are getting nearer to the time when we will be welcoming a refugee family to Derby. We are much closer to having a house identified for us to prepare for them and we will need to furnish and equip it. Individual, groups and parishes are committing to help us to do this and it would therefore be helpful if we could have some storage available in the Derby area so we can accept donations when they arrive. Does anyone know of any/have any storage space which would be appropriate – clean, dry and secure – for things like wardrobes, beds and so on? If so we would be very glad to hear from you. Contact: barbarastirrup@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 01332 368578

HALL

Access 2 Art: Tues 10-3pm Contact Vanessa on 07967 599475

Slimming World: Monday 9.30am, 5.30 & 7.30pm. Contact Nina Fowler on 07814 858539

Rainbows: Tuesday evenings during term time, 5.00-6.00pm. Call Diane on 07505 949034 or Claire on 07929 425133.

Brownies: Tuesday evenings during term time, 6.00-7.30pm. Call Diane on 07505 949034.

Hiring of the Parish Hall: The hall is only available for hire for Baptismal celebrations and other church related events.

Charges are £80 for up to 3hrs hire plus the booking fee of £40.

Please call the Hall manager for booking and availability between 10.00am - 2.00pm leaving a message with full details if not available.

Hall Events

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| Sun 1 Mar: | |
| Mon 2 Mar: | Slimming World 9.30am, 5.30 & 7.30pm |
| Tues 3 Mar: | Access to Art 10-3.00pm Rainbows 5-6.00pm Brownies 6-7.30pm |
| Wed 4 Mar: | |
| Thurs 5 Mar: | Year of the Word Scripture Group 7.00pm |
| Fri 6 Mar: | |
| Sat 7 Mar: | |
| Sun 8 Mar: | |

Diary Dates:

11 Mar: Lenten Sing-along in the Church Hall 2-4.00pm
15 Mar: Brownie Coffee Morning after 10.30am Mass
25 Mar: Charity Prize Bingo in the Church Hall at 7.45pm

Used Postage Stamps: We sent a large quantity of used postage stamps to St Patrick's Missionary Society to support their mission work. A copy of their email of thanks is displayed on English Martyrs' notice board. Please do continue to support this worthy cause.

This spring you are invited to ALPHA: Alpha is a chance to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, informal and open environment. It's relaxed, low key, friendly and fun. Listen, learn, discuss, discover, and ask anything. There are ten evenings after the launch session, plus one full weekend day. Some of the topics include: Who is Jesus? How can we have faith? Why and how do I pray? How does God guide us? Who is the Holy Spirit? How can I resist evil?

All Alpha sessions start with a warm snack and a chat, followed by a video and discussions. You can say as much as you like, or nothing at all. Just pop along to the launch evening (to be arranged) at St Mary's Parish Centre and see what you think.

Need more details? Planning to come? Let us know at eventeam.eu@gmail.com 07478947009

In case of an emergency in the parish (that is: a person needing the last sacraments) firstly call the parish number 01332 574474; if the priest is unavailable please call one of the following: St George's on 01332 767038, St Joseph's on 01332 343777, St Alban's on 01332 672914 or St Mary's on 01332 346126.

Editor's Note: If you have any items for the newsletter next week, please contact Anne Walsh on 07980 568261 or by email at: annew505@gmail.com before 12 noon on Thursday